

Financial Controller

About Us

Handelsbanken Wealth & Asset Management is a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Handelsbanken Group and is responsible for all wealth and investment management activities of the Group in the UK. Founded in Sweden, Handelsbanken is one of the world's strongest banks and offers local relationship banking, advice and investment management to personal and corporate customers through its fast-growing network across the UK. For over 30 years we have been relied on by our customers, including business leaders and sophisticated financial professionals, to advise them and to manage their wealth. We focus on one objective – customer satisfaction – since a satisfied customer will be happy to both return and to recommend us.

This is an opportunity to join a successful and fast-growing national organisation with the added benefit of being part of a significant multinational group.

Handelsbanken Group are deeply committed to embedding good equality and diversity practice into all of our activities so that Handelsbanken Wealth & Asset Management is an inclusive, welcoming and inspiring place to work, regardless of age, disability, pregnancy and/or parental status, ethnicity, religion, sex, gender reassignment or sexual orientation.

Handelsbanken is offering a Hybrid Working Model. Our approach to hybrid working at Handelsbanken is that we spend the greater proportion of our working time at our workplace. Our remaining time may be worked from home. This approach allows us to embrace the many benefits of hybrid working whilst sustaining and developing our unique culture.

What is in it for you?

- We have a wide range of learning and development available, empowering and enabling our colleagues to take ownership of their own development.
- Competitive Salary and an extensive range of benefits is provided, including private medical insurance, income protection and life assurance
- A market-leading pension contribution of 15% paid by the bank, which can be invested in a wide range of funds (including ESG and Shariah funds)

We encourage and welcome applications from across the global community and all appointments are made solely on merit.

Remuneration

Competitive + Benefits

Our Role

We are recruiting for a Financial Controller to join our Finance team. You will be joining a well-established Finance team responsible for maintaining a strong financial framework for Handelsbanken Wealth and Asset Management (HWAM) and the newly created Handelsbanken Authorised Corporate Director (HACD). This role is based in our London office and offers the opportunity to work alongside other experienced finance colleagues in a supportive team environment.

We are looking for a fully qualified accountant with experience in financial services to take responsibility for all financial control activities within HWAM. Duties will include maintaining internal controls over financial, tax and regulatory reporting; producing commentary to support management and forecasting. You will liaise with different teams around the business and the wider banking group.

Main Responsibilities

- Managing day-to-day finance operations with a team of two direct reports
- Performing all related accounting functions required to maintain the general ledger in compliance with UK GAAP, IFRS and company policy and procedures
- Analytical review and analysis of financial data and generating monthly trend reports and balance sheet reconciliations ensuring financial statement accuracy and investigating variances
- Monitor and manage financial risks in-line with compliance and regulations
- Complete all HMRC filings and returns including corporation taxes and VAT in accordance with tax policy. Ad-hoc liaison with group tax team and HMRC on enquiries arising
- Preparation of formal year end statutory accounts - coordinating annual external audit activities within the business. and liaising with external auditors
- Oversight of bank reconciliations and maintenance of cash flow forecasts to ensure funds are available to meet obligations
- Business partnering and working collaboratively on projects
- Regulatory reporting for both HWAM and HACD entities
- Help to drive team's automation strategy, with huge scope to redesign some existing manual processes, particularly around financial operations
- Deputise for Head of Finance as appropriate
- Regulatory reporting. Liquidity and capital requirements calculations, analysis and management under ICARA regime

Person Specification

The ideal profile is a qualified accountant with a strong experience as a Financial Controller, with the ability to work independently and cover many tasks simultaneously. Experience in team management is desirable.

Able to command authority and credibility, who thrives in a cooperative environment, working with people at all levels across multiple functions and disciplines.

Analytical minded and excited by new challenges and creating new processes

Ability to work with a high level of accuracy and meet strict deadlines

Academic: ACA/ ACCA/CIMA qualified with a minimum of 5 years post qualified experience

Contact

Please send your CV and covering letter to careers.hwam@handelsbanken.co.uk