



FD Profile

Richard Hopkin

Portfolio experience:

Commenced Interim Management career in July 2010
Worked with 2 clients to date - £25m IT Systems Distributor
£21m Carbon Fibres Manufacturer

Full time career:

Group Finance Director/Company Secretary at Minorplanet Systems Plc
Group Finance Director/Company Secretary at Gaskell Plc
Group Financial Controller/Company Secretary at Magnet Plc.

Biography

Richard has recently moved into Interim Financial Management after 20 years in full time, permanent senior finance roles, primarily on the Boards of Northern based PLCs. As well as a 'listed company' background, he has substantial experience of turnarounds, fund-raising exercises, acquisitions and disposals. He has worked across a broad range of industry sectors including retail, manufacturing and technology and has substantial international experience. He enjoys working as an integral part of the senior management team in developing and implementing strategy and is very comfortable in handling all aspects of relationships with investors, bankers and advisers.

He has to date provided interim FD services to a £25m turnover IT Systems Distributor and a £21m turnover carbon fibre manufacturer, involving business restructuring and fund-raising.

He qualified as a Chartered Accountant with Arthur Andersen.

Client Reference

"Richard played a key role in achieving a major fundraising and implementing a substantial cost reduction exercise, both of which were critical to the Group's survival. His abilities to handle the pressures of a difficult cash and trading position, together with the various demands of investors and advisers, were clearly apparent during this period".