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Qualifications / Memberships	Chartered Association of Certified Accountants (Fellow) Chartered Institute of Taxation (Associate Member)
Languages (1 basic – 5 fluent)	
Key skills information:	Corporate tax specialist with experience of structuring tax efficient solutions to international tax issues for UK based groups with overseas operations, covering tax exposures at local project level and in regard to international cash flows.
Country experience	Building from a solid UK tax base, my tax experience has focused on the emerging markets in Africa, Asia, Pacific and Caribbean areas.
Work experience	
Current / recent positions	Tax planning for a major UK financial services company, and for a leading French advertising group.
Recent assignment (examples)	Review of tax implications of investment proposals in a wide range of sectors, covering tax exposures at local level and in regard to international cash flows. Establishment of tax efficient structures for making investments from the UK into a number of countries in Asia and Africa via offshore holding companies. Advising on the establishment of a number of regional venture funds in Africa, Caribbean, South Asia and Pacific areas.
CDC career	1981 – 2000 From January 1984 I held the position of Head of the Corporate Tax Department, with responsibility for providing a high level corporate tax advisory service to all parts of CDC.
Earlier career	Before joining CDC I was employed in the corporate tax departments of International Computers Ltd, Imperial Foods Ltd (Foods Division of Imperial Group), and the Port of London Authority.