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Resident in Barcelona | Authorised to work in Spain, no sponsorship required | Available immediately

PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

FP&A-focused finance professional with an ESADE MBA and hands-on ownership of Opex and topline planning, budgeting, quarterly forecasting, variance analysis and monthly close in industrial and banking environments. Cut forecast variance from 18% to around 4% on a €100M+ project. Now building the full costing, budgeting and reporting infrastructure for a €20M greenfield plant. Strong financial modelling with advanced Excel, Power BI, SQL and VBA across large expense and cost-centre datasets.

WORK EXPERIENCE

United Boubyan Company

Kuwait / Remote

Finance & Operations Manager

Apr 2026 – Present

- Building the full costing, budgeting and reporting infrastructure for a €20M greenfield plant, no ERP.
- Designed a scalable costing and data architecture so new lines feed the same product-cost model.
- Own the CapEx plan and equipment selection, pricing vendor and procurement terms into the cost base.
- Produce monthly management reporting and KPI packs for leadership reviews and decisions.
- Lead a team of three across finance and operations, owning delivery, hiring and development.

Project & Cost Accountant (FP&A)

Apr 2025 – Apr 2026

- Owned P&L, annual budgets and rolling forecasts on a €100M+ infrastructure project for the C-suite.
- Cut forecast variance from 18% to around 4% through monthly variance analysis and re-forecasts.
- Business partner to engineering, procurement and operations, pricing change orders in real time.

General Accountant

Apr 2024 – Apr 2025

- Led the finance automation rollout across IT, Finance and Risk, cutting manual reporting time by 40%.
- Ran UAT to migrate Excel-based reporting logic into system workflows across departments.
- Built Excel/VBA models linking cash flows, cost-to-complete and scenario analysis to funding needs.
- Owned cost allocation and reconciliations across construction activity for period-end reporting.
- Ran monthly, quarterly and annual closes, cutting the monthly close from 7 to 3 business days.

Doha Bank

Kuwait City, Kuwait

Graduate Trainee

Dec 2023 – Apr 2024

- Prepared monthly CBK regulatory and liquidity reporting (LCR, NSFR) for Central Bank submission.
- Rebuilt GL-to-regulatory mapping in SQL, closing reconciliation gaps and cutting misallocations 80%.
- Automated recurring CBK and liquidity reports, clearing around 2 hours of daily manual work.
- Fully automated a 3-day monthly regulatory reporting cycle, with parallel-run testing to production.
- Mapped manual reporting friction with the CFO into a prioritised automation roadmap, with CEO exposure.

EDUCATION

ESADE Business & Law School, Full-time MBA (scholarship)

Barcelona, Spain | Sep 2024 – Mar 2026

CEIBS (China Europe International Business School), Doing Business in China

Shanghai, China | 2026

University of Bristol, BSc (Hons) Accounting and Finance (scholarship)

Bristol, UK | Sep 2020 – Jun 2023

SKILLS

FP&A & Planning: Opex and topline planning, budgeting, quarterly forecasting, run-rate and variance analysis, risks and opportunities, monthly / quarterly / annual close, CapEx tracking, liquidity and CBK regulatory reporting (LCR, NSFR)

Modelling & Data: financial modelling, advanced Excel, VBA, SQL, Power BI, Power Query, large datasets, expense and cost-centre analysis, KPI dashboarding

Business Partnering: stakeholder management, CFO and leadership reporting materials, forecast accuracy improvement, cross-functional partnering, process automation

Languages: Arabic (native), English (native), Spanish (intermediate)

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Talks: delivered personal finance talks to fellow students at the University of Bristol

Entrepreneurship: founded a small clothing line in high school, handling product, pricing and direct sales

Investing: run a personal global equity portfolio across European, US, Gulf and Asian markets

Interests: padel, fitness, and travel (71 countries); build personal automation tools with AI coding agents