# Hi, I'm Firdaus Osmi!

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## **Professional Summary**

Strategic-thinking professional bringing strong record of accomplishment in managing company's financial performance with diligent oversight of financial compliance, reporting and risk mitigation. Passionate about ensuring sound financial footing through expertise in budgeting, forecasting and financial management.

Skilled team player with strong educational background and trained to perform in hectic environment. Simultenously managing various sections (Operations, Treasury, Management Accounting, Management Reporting) in the Finance Department. Able to work independently and always ready to go push the limit to ensure quality and efficiency. Good interpersonal skills and able to communicate information effectively. Productive, fast-learner with good computer abilities.

# **Employment History**

### >>> Head of Finance & Accounts

Aug 2021 - Current

Hicom Automotive Manufacturers (M) Sdn Bhd, Pekan, Pahang

Illustrious automotive company assembling quality vehicles namely Mercedes-Benz, Volkswagen and Mitsubishi.

### Responsibilities:

- · Head of Finance & Accounts Division
- · Managing high number of staff (19 staff) in the department
- · Preparing annual management planning (budget)
- · Monitored cash flow and prepared monthly forecasting reports
- · Negotiated loans and lines of credit with banks
- · Analyzed financial data and prepared reports to upper management
- · Reviewed and approved invoices for payment
- Forecasting budgets, manage expenditure and sales to meet annual targets.
- · Communicating strategies and improvement on financial controls and procedures to leaders and
- · Propose tactical and strategic direction to encourage problem-solving
- · Prepared financial reports, trend analysis and analytical review to assist management with key decision-making
- · Improved financial transparency and operational efficiency to drive profitable growth
- · Partnered with teams to develop short-term and long-term strategic plans and execution
- · Reduced financial variances and achieve portfolio objectives via financial reviews and well-implemented risk-mitigation plans and corrective actions

# Highlights:

- · Manage the department to achieve its highest financial result profit after tax in their history of
- · Achieve the highest result on quality assessment review for financial reporting rated by EY (auditor)
- · Minimize AR and AP aging days by more than 50% and solving long outstanding disputes with customers
- Secure banking facilities to facilitate projects amounting to RM34million
- · Secure new assembly contracts with customers for a period up to 7 years
- · Reduced departmental dependency on additional manpower by implementing role rotation and digitalisation as well as reducing department's expenditure by 30%
- Improve management reporting including rolling estimates, budgeting, forecasting, business planning, and monthly & quarterly end-reporting reviews by strengthening analytical efficiency via coaching and brainstorming
- · Being part of project team pioneering in ERP migration (Monitor ERP) and currently benchmarked by other subsidiaries companies in DRB-Hicom Group
- · Implement process improvement to speed up financial procedures for external department.
- · Being commercial panel for all procurement related tender process
- · Involved in Trusted Information Security Assessment Exchange (TISAX) audit, an assessment and exchange mechanism for information security in the automotive industry

# >>> Engagement Manager (Assistant HOD)

Feb 2020 - Jul 2021

Perfect Biz Advisory Group (PBAG), Kuantan, Pahang

Small audit firm with aspiration to become one of the main and preferred audit firm in the local market.

## Responsibilities:

- · Manage engagements, review audit working paper and coaching junior staff
- · Ensure compliance on financial reporting in accordance with regulations and legislative
- $\cdot\,$  Discuss financial and regulatory matters with company officials, propose strategic planning and counter-measures
- · Ensure compliance on tax submissions to meet deadlines

### Highlights:

- · Introduced new and proper audit working paper and methadologies for the firm
- · Individually managed and prepared for MIA quality review with success
- · Bringing one of the highest fees for the firm on non-audit services
- · Help to improve clients' (SMEs) financial performance through business solutions and tax planning.
- · Improved relationship between the firm and its struggling clients
- · Coaching on audit procedures and improve competency of team members



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### **Education**

### Professional Qualification

April 2020

# Bachelor of Accountancy

Universiti Teknologi MARA November 2013

### Diploma in Accountancy

Universiti Teknologi MARA May 2011

# Skills

- · Financial management
- · Financial analysis and reporting
- · Budgeting forecast
- · Team management
- · Strategic planning
- · Cashflow management · Coaching and training
- · Risk mitigation
- · Interpersonal skills

## **Credentials**

Member of Malaysian Insitute of Accountants (MIA)

Member of Association of Certified Chartered Accountants (ACCA)

## **Highlighted Portfolios**



Lunas Rare Earths

















### >>> Supervisor/Assistant Manager/Acting Manager

Ernst & Young PLT (EY)

Global leader in assurance, consulting, strategy and transactions, and tax services helping to build trust and confidence in the capital markets and in economies the world over.

Dec 2013 - Jan 2020

### Responsibilities:

- · Plan, conduct, and manage Audit and Risk Assurance engagements in accordance with the relevant accounting, auditing standards and/or instructions from other (group) audit teams
- · Assist in risk and quality related activities, business development and other administrative activities of an assurance group.
- · Engage in coaching, training and other staff development activities
- · Manage engagements by defining the audit strategy in consultation with the senior. manager/partner, and execute it in compliance with Ernst & Young's policies and protocols
- · Execute complex audit procedures and lead teams, or parts of teams on engagements, depending on the size of the engagement
- · Actively establish, maintain and strengthen internal and external relationships and confirm that work delivered to clients is a high
- · Anticipate and identify risks and escalate issues, as appropriate
- · Create a positive learning culture and coach and counsel junior team members and support them in their personal and professional

### Highlights:

- · Managed and involved in local and overseas (Australia & Vietnam) audit engagements (Group & subsidiaries)
- · Involved in Audit Quality Review for Asia Pacific region
- · Lead MFRS assessment review (MFRS 15, MFRS 9, MFRS 16) to ensure accuracy in clients' financial disclosures
- · Compliance with Bursa Stock Exchange and Australian Stock Exchange requirements
- · Managed and involved in audit from various industries mainly from Manufacturing, Healthcare, Plantation, Automotive, Property & Development, Construction, Mining, Logistic, Timber, Aerospace Defence

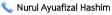
## References



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