



# **Financial Information Essentials**

Introductory Skills

## **OUTCOMES**

- $\checkmark$  Get to grips with the financial jargon of results
- ✓ Understand the financial statements & what they're telling you
- $\checkmark$  Learn about the headline numbers, key metrics and financial ratios

# PRE-REQUISITES - None

## PROGRAM - 4 hours including two short breaks

#### Accounting Essentials

- Introduction to financial statements
- Key jargon and concepts (including capex, opex, goodwill, depreciation, amortisation & impairment)
- Perspectives of key target audiences on results

#### Interpreting the Numbers

- · Interpreting financial performance where to start
- Different levels of profits gross profit, EBITDA, operating income etc and who uses what
- One-off items and adjusted/non-GAAP numbers
- Profitability metrics (profit margins, interest cover and return on capital)
  Key issues to consider in the balance sheet (investment in capex and working)
- capital, level of debt/leverage, long-term liabilities etc)
- Free cash flow and why it is so important

#### Working with Results

- Identifying the headlines
- Components of a great earnings release
- Real company examples

## **ONLINE COURSE FOR FOLLOW-UP**

The Basics of Business Finance (Essentials Course)

