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Practical Considerations when Purchasing a Company

Course No 159

Non-financial considerations will be explored and thereby the legal, regulatory and tax aspects of the mergers and acquisitions (M&A) process will be discussed. The session will then also delve into the financial and accounting aspects. Attendees will be able to explore the different steps involved and the thought process underlying the whole transaction, an overview of the valuation of the target company, and calculation of goodwill post transaction. Practical scenarios will be shared with attendees, identifying examples where changes to the systematic approach adopted would need to be introduced in view of the particular attributes of the target company. Following the session, attendees will be able to better understand the M&A process and the various implications to be considered.

Sample Topics Covered:

The legal, regulatory and tax aspects of a merger / acquisition of a company

Financial and accounting aspects of the process

Calculation of goodwill

The background to the final transaction

The M&A process

Practical scenarios and implications to be considered

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General Information

Time: 09.00 - 12.00hrs
Venue: Online
Level: Introductory

Schedule

Duration: 3 hours
Dates: 3 October

Target Audience

Owners of businesses or persons associated with businesses, lawyers, financial advisors, corporate advisors, bankers and individuals working in the financial services sector.

Registration fee: **€95 per participant**

- Full time student (50% discount)
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- Group booking of 4 or more applicants from the same Organisation (10% discount)

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Dr Jessica Vella



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Francesca is an Assistant Manager with Grant Thornton Ireland and provides economic research and advisory services for both government and industry. Day-to-day, her work involves assessing the sustainability and economic feasibility of large projects. She holds a BSc (Hons) in Economics and Management from the LSE and is currently in the process of obtaining an ACCA qualification and certificate in ESG Investing from CFA UK.

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