



Appointment of Finance Director

Hartest Holdings Plc, is pleased to announce the appointment of Robert Porter as Group Finance Director with immediate effect. Robert has previously been providing Interim Finance cover to Hartest following the untimely death of Alasdair Culshaw, the previous Group Finance Director, during March 2006.

Robert is a graduate of the London School of Economics and qualified as a chartered accountant with KPMG. After gaining international experience with Pricewaterhouse Coopers in the USA he returned to the UK and commenced a career in finance and operations in international investment and private banking organizations, progressing to CFO / Head of Operations, and gaining significant senior level experience in international groups operating in the UK, US, Europe and the Far East.

Since 2000, Robert has worked as Finance Director or Interim Finance Director for a number of smaller quoted and private companies in the fields of financial services, telecoms, media, strategic consultancy and manufacturing.

Robert Porter, aged 51, currently holds, and in the previous five years has held, the following directorships or partnerships:

Current directorships and partnerships

Optimisa Plc
Bluecast Media Limited

Previous directorships and partnerships

Edengene Limited
BIS Limited
RP Consulting Limited

Save for the above there is no further information required for disclosure under paragraph (f) of Schedule 2 of the AIM Rules, with respect to the appointment of Robert Porter.

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