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### **PROFILE**

### Eurasian Private Equity Senior Associate with entrepreneurial experience and mindset

# Private Equity (Singapore)Senior Associate for Unity Group (PE firm)

Current position

- Closed a \$18million deal in the construction services industry

### → Corporate development and fundraising for a start-up (Singapore)

2 years

- Participation to the Series C funding round
- Fully involved in the sale to Lazada (Alibaba Group)

### → Entrepreneur – Restructuring of a distressed company under LBO (France)

2 years

- Advised a private Chinese investor who bought a distressed retail company under LBO
- Member of the Investment Committee of the private investor
- Member of the Management Committee of the company bought

### → Transactions and M&A (France)

6 years

- Manager Transaction Advisory Services at Ernst&Young and Red2Green (boutique)
- Financial modelling, valuation, due diligence for over 30 deals

### **WORKING EXPERIENCE (10 years experience)**

### PRIVATE EQUITY SENIOR ASSOCIATE (since 2017) - UNITY GROUP, Singapore

### Main tasks

- Perform valuation, return analysis and financial modelling for investment opportunities in childcare and construction sectors;
- Prepare and present Investment Memorandum for review by the Investment Committee;
- Participation to deal negotiation and structuring.

#### Results

Closed a \$18million deal in the construction services industry.

### SENIOR FINANCIAL ANALYST (2015-2016) - REDMART, Singapore

#### Main tasks

- Ad hoc analysis for the Management (new projects and expansion in South East Asia);
- Build-up of the Business Plan 2016-2018;
- Set-up a new reporting and a cash forecast model.

#### Results

Built the FP&A function and deal closed with Lazada (Alibaba Group) which bought RedMart after a 4-month due diligence.

## INDEPENDENT CONSULTANT CORPORATE FINANCE (2013-2014) - France

- Entrepreneur advising the main shareholder of a French company under LBO (turnover: €80million, 162 stores)
- ► Turnover of the company I built: €144k, net result on the period: €94k

### Main tasks as member of the Management Committee and member of the Investment Committee

- Analyse investment opportunities and responsible for the deal process (external growth operations);
- Strategic analysis and financial modelling of the new business plan of the company;
- Build and present the business plan for a partnership with the best European rugby team;

Assessments, financial statements and references available upon request

- Participate in the building of a new commercial strategy and presentation to the banking pool with the CEO;
- Identify levers of restructuring, calculate financial impacts and determine action plans.

#### Main tasks as advisor

- Create ad hoc analysis and decision-making tools for the CEO/shareholder;
- Assist the CFO in Working Capital improvement, Cash Management and negotiations with the banking pool;
- Responsible for the implementation of a reporting, a budgeting process and a cash forecast model;
- Quarterly presentation to the Management and the banking pool of reporting, budget and cash forecasts.

#### Results

- Recovery of a positive net result: +€0,7million;
- Success in negotiations with the banking pool: renewal of short-term financing lines (€24millions);
- Building on the tools implemented, creation of a financial controller position with training of the recruit.

### MANAGER (2012) - RED2GREEN, Paris, France

#### Main tasks

- Manage Transaction missions and Financial modelling missions;
- Manage Restructuring missions: assist the Management in producing a diagnosis on the origin of difficulties, helping them to identify
  levers of restructuring, calculating and forecasting financial impacts;

#### Results

• Successfully shared responsibility of direct exchanges with top Management, shareholders, banking pools, investors.

### SENIOR TRANSACTION ADVISORY SERVICES (2009-2011) - ERNST & YOUNG, Paris, France

#### Main tasks

- Buy-side due diligences and vendor due diligences in English & French;
- Financial modelling (valuation, business plans, cash forecasts and projections of balance sheets);
- Advisory and assistance to bankrupt or distressed companies financial turnaround diagnoses;
- Manage teams (between 2 and 4 people) and lead Excel training.

#### Significant missions

- Lead a complex project for a distressed conglomerate of 84 companies: advisory and meetings with representatives of Ministry of Finance, top Management, lawyers, bankers, investors;
- Create a financial valuation model in support of a transaction (mass-market retailing company, turnover: €600m);
- Missions in various business sectors (including retail, FMCG, luxury, cosmetics, services, tourism, oil & gas, industry) and in
  international environments (Scotland, Gabon, Angola, Reunion Island, Guyana).

### Results

• Highest ranking level (5/5 – objectives over exceeded).

### JUNIOR FINANCIAL AUDITOR (2007-2009) - ERNST & YOUNG, Paris, France

#### Main tasks

Audit assignments for MNCs (Total, LVMH, Lagardère), big groups (Cegelec, Andros, Lenôtre) and SMEs.

#### Results

I successfully achieved my tasks and was charged of 3 assignments acting as senior while I was junior.

### PERSONAL PROJECT

### FINANCIAL ADVISORY FOR START-UPS

Assistance to the building of business plans

→ The e-commerce start-up I helped in an entrepreneurship competition (CJE awards) won the 1<sup>st</sup> prize (10 000€)

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### **EDUCATION**

### MASTER'S DEGREE IN FINANCE (2004-2007)

KEDGE BUSINESS SCHOOL, Bordeaux, France

Top French school of Business and Management (AACSB, AMBA, EQUIS accredited); Major: Finance.

### TWO YEARS SELECTIVE PREPARATORY CLASSES (2002-2004)

Intensive classes to prepare for the competitive exams to enter the "Grandes Ecoles" (Major: maths & economics).

### **BACCALAUREAT DIPLOMA (2001-2002)**

French "baccalauréat" majoring in science with first class honours (equivalent to A-level).

#### **SKILLS AND INTERESTS**

### Languages (written&spoken)

- French (native speaker)
- English (fluent): reports often written in English
- Spanish (intermediate)
- Vietnamese (basic)

### Computer

- Outstanding skills in Microsoft Excel
- Excellent skills in Word, PowerPoint

### Interests

- Music: Piano (Conservatory of Piano of Bordeaux), drums
- Sport: rugby, football