

# ACCA Charity Finance Conference 2014

ACCA UK's annual charity finance conference provides an excellent opportunity to keep up-to-date with the latest developments and best practice within the sector, but also allows delegates to network with other professionals outside the office environment.

## THE DETAILS

**Date:** 9 October 2014  
**Time:** 09:30–16:30  
**Venue:** Aston Business School, Aston Triangle, Birmingham, B4 7ET  
**Fee:** £250  
**CPD Units:** 7

## WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

Finance professionals working in or advising charities, trustees and treasurers. The conference is also a useful refresher for those who only deal with charities occasionally.

## WHAT I WILL GET OUT OF IT?

- an update on recent and important developments in the charity sector
- guidance on best practice
- the opportunity to exchange your views and experiences with other professionals working in the same field.

## PROGRAMME

09.00–09.30	registration
09.30–09.40	<b>Chairman's Welcome</b> Richard Martin
09.40–10.30	<b>Anti-Fraud and Corruption for Charities</b> Steve Giles
10.30–11.15	<b>Charity VAT</b> Kate Sayer
11.15–11.30	break
11.30–12.30	<b>Alternative Finance for Charities</b> Geetha Rabindrakumar
12.30–13.30	lunch
13.30–14.30	<b>The New SORP update – Reporting Framework for Charities</b> Nigel Davies
14.30–15.00	<b>A Practitioner's Perspective</b> Rui Domingues
15.00–15.30	panel discussion
15.30–15.45	break
15.45–16.30	<b>Employment Law</b> Kate Russell

## SESSION DETAILS

### Anti-fraud and Corruption

*Steve Giles*

#### Key Features

- the fraud and corruption threat landscape
- current legislation and attitude of the authorities
- the risks faced by charities
- controls and adequate procedures to manage risks
- review of recent cases

### Charity VAT Update

*Kate Sayer*

This session will focus on areas that most commonly cause difficulties for charities, and will refer to legislative changes and case studies where relevant.

#### Key Features

- grants and contracts funding services provided by charities, including the difference between a non-business grant and a business contract
- services that count as exempt welfare
- exempt education services
- other current topics

### Alternative Finance

*Geetha Rabindrakumar*

This session will provide an introduction to the social investment market, highlight some of the opportunities and different forms of social investment now available, and discuss case studies of charities and social enterprises that have accessed social investment.

### The New SORP - Reporting Framework for Charities

*Nigel Davies*

#### Key Features

- the choice between old GAAP FRSSE and new GAAP FRS 102
- the changes from SORP 2005 with particular attention to key accounting policies, the SoFA, and note disclosures
- controversial topics identified in the consultation and how these were handled
- resources available to help the practitioner
- future arrangements for the SORP and prospects for an international approach for 'not-for-profits'

### A Practitioner's Perspective

*Rui Domingues*

A practitioner's view of the key changes in the new SORP and suggested steps to help plan to implement it.

### Employment Law for Charities

*Kate Russell*

#### Key Features

- internships and volunteers
  - casual/zero hour contracts/fixed term contracts
  - unfair dismissal
  - benefits and leave entitlement
- auto-enrolment issues for charities
- changes in the pipeline

## THE SPEAKERS

### Rui Domingues FCCA

Director of finance and ICT, Friends of the Elderly

### Nigel Davies BA(Hons), CPFA, DChA, ACCA

Head of accountancy, Charity Commission

### Steve Giles MA Oxon, ACA

Partner, Highview Accountants

### Geetha Rabindrakumar ACA

Head of social sector engagement, Big Society Capital

### Kate Russell, BA, Barrister, MA

Russell HR Consulting

### Kate Sayer FCA

Partner, Sayer Vincent

## CHAIR'S DETAILS

### Richard Martin

Richard Martin is head of corporate reporting at ACCA, and is responsible for monitoring developments in integrated and narrative reporting, financial reporting, analysing the impact of changes and developing ACCA's policy on these issues. He speaks regularly on accounting standards internationally and in the UK.

He is a member of the Accounting Working Party of the Federation of European Accountants (FEE) and of FEE's Corporate Reporting Policy Group. He is Chairman of the Accounting Expert Group at EFAA, the European federation of accountants for SMEs. He is also a member of the accounting and reporting group of experts at the United Nations Conference on Trade & Development (UNCTAD), particularly involved with developing their reporting guidelines for small and medium-sized businesses.

## SPEAKER BIOGRAPHIES

### Rui Domingues

Despite holding a Bachelor's degree in Civil Engineering and a Master's degree in Urban (Civil) Engineering, Rui turned to accountancy during the recession in the 1990s and hasn't looked back.

After a number of years training in commerce, he made a conscious decision to pursue a career in the not-for-profit sector as a way of utilising his abilities. Rui has been with Friends of the Elderly since 2010, bringing both charity and registered social landlords experience.

He is also the company secretary and scheme administrator for Friends' closed defined benefit pension scheme.

Professionally, Rui is an FCCA, Chair of the CFG's Technical Accounting Forum, a member of ACCA's Charity Panel and a finance committee member at BMS World Mission.

As well as being a husband and father of four children, he is also a deacon, church secretary, youth worker, webmaster and occasional preacher at his local Baptist church.

### Nigel Davies

Nigel Davies is a qualified accountant and is head of accountancy at the Charity Commission. Prior to taking up his new role in August 2014, he was technical secretary to the charities SORP Committee, preparing technical papers on accounting and reporting issues, and he co-drafted the new SORPs.

Nigel leads for the Commission on accountancy-related collaborations with umbrella organisations, professional accountancy institutes, technical panels and working parties.

He regularly speaks at events and conferences on charity accounting issues and publishes articles on charity accountancy matters.

Nigel joined the Commission in 2001. Prior to his new role, Nigel headed up the Accountancy Unit in the Taunton office, was deputy head of financial regulation, deputy head of accountancy policy, and technical secretary to the charities SORP Committee.

### Steve Giles

Steve has over 20 years' experience of managing financial crime and risk management assignments – first with Deloitte in the 1990s and then via his own forensic accounting practice. Since then, Steve has helped executives to find solutions to a variety of unusual business problems. His experience ranges from headline cases to private settlements, and he provides consulting advice on how to best manage risk.

Steve now lectures extensively on his specialist subjects of fraud and corruption, money laundering, risk, audit and ethics in the UK and around the world. He is the author of *Managing Fraud Risk* and is a guest lecturer at the University of Hertfordshire.

### Geetha Rabindrakumar

Big Society Capital is a social investment organisation, working to grow the social investment market in order to increase access to finance for the charity and social enterprise sector. Geetha's role is to build relationships with the not-for-profit sector.

Geetha joined Big Society Capital from the disability charity Scope, where she was finance director for four years, leading the establishment of Scope's listed social investment bond programme, where the proceeds were used to help grow Scope's charity retail chain.

She has worked in a range of finance roles in the not-for-profit sector, including at Cancer Research UK, global children's charity Plan and social enterprise Ealing Community Transport. Her broader involvement in the charity sector has included a number of volunteering and trustee roles at smaller charities.

### Kate Russell

Kate Russell is an employment law and HR expert, public speaker and author who has become known as the HR headmistress. Having gone from an operations role, to working in HR and training, then back to operations, she can see problems from all viewpoints and takes a robust and pragmatic approach to HR.

The unusual combination of a legal background, direct line management experience and HR skills enables Kate to present the stringent requirements of the law balanced against the realities of working life. She is a senior presenter for several companies and is a popular public speaker.

Kate has written numerous articles and books, including *How to Get Top Marks in ... Managing Poor Work Performance* and *How to Get Top Marks in ... Tackling Workplace Investigations*. Kate is frequently featured in national and industry media for her expert knowledge and opinions on HR and employment related subjects. She has also guested as Metro newspaper's HR columnist.

### Kate Sayer

Kate Sayer is a partner in Sayer Vincent, specialist advisors to the charity and not-for-profit sector. Kate has in-depth knowledge of the legal and financial frameworks within which charities and social enterprises have to work, including taxation and VAT. She also works to improve the effectiveness of organisations through better ways of working, improved risk management processes and better support functions.

Kate is the author of a number of publications and guides on charity finance, taxation and management.

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