



Think Ahead

Financial Services Network Election Statements

Brendan Allen

My name is Brendan Allen and I work in Prosperous, County Kildare, as the managing partner at Allen Morrissey & Co, in the public practice sector. I qualified as an ACCA member in 1992 and have practised in both London and Ireland, specialising in tax matters, with many clients who operate in the financial services sector.

In addition I am a member of the Taxation Institute in Ireland and also the Certified Public Accountants in Ireland, where I served as president in 2007/8.

I am interested in joining the ACCA Financial Services Network Panel, as I wish to bring my experience of some of the complex tax matters in the industry to the assistance of members and to bring an outside view point to those who are wholly engaged in financial services.

I am an active committee person, with commitments to Newbridge Chamber of Commerce, and other similar organisations.

Thank you for your support.

Don Browne

My name is Don Browne and I work as Finance Business Partner for AIB Bank's Retail & Business Banking teams.

I qualified as an ACCA member in 2009 and I am also a Fellow of the Society of Actuaries in Ireland.

I have been an active and committed member of the Financial Services Network (FSN) Panel for the last 3 years and would greatly appreciate your support to continue this work in the years ahead.

In recent years, I have enjoyed volunteering as a mentor for recently-qualified members and have also supported the ACCA in growing its membership by attending graduate recruitment events and presenting to potential new members at ACCA Open Evenings.

If re-elected to the FSN Panel, I will continue to support members in the banking, insurance, mortgage finance and investment management sectors to achieve their professional objectives. In particular, I will work to successfully maintain a topical and relevant calendar of CPD events, offering you valuable networking opportunities with other ACCA members.

Thank you for your support.

Tara Clements

My name is Tara Clements and I work for BNY Mellon in Dublin. I was elected 4 years ago to the Financial Services Network and I'm looking for your support again.

Our network looks at issues facing the different firms within our industry and we set up a sub-committee to take a look at the distinct challenges facing credit unions. Part of our role as committee members is to act as an advocate for the ACCA. In 2013 I represented the ACCA at a Central Bank round-table reviewing the corporate governance structures in financial services firms, with particular focus on the role of independent non-executive directors. I've chaired a number of our CPD events and work with the committee in planning a number of events in 2016 on a wide range of topics.

I would like to continue our good work in student recruitment and improve services to members.

Thank you for your support.

Susan Coyle

My name is Susan Coyle, I qualified as an ACCA member in 2005 and now work in Dublin in the public sector for 5 years. My experience includes 10 years within the Financial Services sector & 3 years within FMCG.

I would like to join the ACCA Financial Services Network Panel in order to see the ACCA's position as a professional standard maintained and strengthened as well as to promote the ACCA qualification. I appreciate your time in considering voting for me.

Thank you for your support.

Gerry Fallon

My name is Gerry Fallon and I work in the financial sector. I qualified as an ACCA member in 1992. At present, I specialise in Risk Management. I have previously worked in the following areas of the financial sector: Retail, IT, Finance, International Banking, Credit and have worked in the financial sector in Ireland, UK and the USA. I am interested in joining the ACCA Financial Services Network Panel as I would like to assist in ensuring that the ACCA continues to be seen as a promoter and advocate of best practices within the sector. I would like to help improve ACCA members and students knowledge of how they can contribute to the success and improve the reputation of the financial sector.

Thank you for your support.

David Harte

My name is David Harte and I work in the financial services sector, more specifically, within the funds industry. I qualified as an ACCA member in 2014 and I specialise in regulatory oversight as it pertains to collective investment schemes and the associated product offerings arising. Over the past year, I have served as a co-opted member of the ACCA's Financial Services Panel.

I am interested in joining the ACCA Financial Services Panel as I would like to continue to represent the views, opinions and concerns of those within the funds industry through ACCA's governance framework. Given the fund industries

significant contribution (in excess of 20,000 employees) toward employment in the financial services industry as a whole, I think it fitting that there be appropriate representation within the financial services panel. In addition to proposing to act as a conduit for members within my own industry sub-set, in serving on the panel I would like to assist in the external promotion of the ACCA as well as the development of services and events for existing members.

Thank you for your support.

Maura O'Neill FCCA AITI QFA

My name is Maura O'Neill and I have been a member of ACCA since 1989. Additionally I am a member of the Irish Taxation institute, a Qualified Financial Advisor and a registered stockbroker.

I currently work in the Wealth Management Division of Goodbody stockbrokers and have over 24 years' experience in the investment management arena. My role involves advising high net worth individuals, trusts and charities on tailored wealth and investment solutions.

I am currently on the ACCA Financial Services Committee and have found it interesting and informative to network with members working in financial services industries other than my own area. I would like to continue as a member of the Financial Service Committee as a representative of ACCA members in the wealth management area.

Thank you for your support.