

Colin Howe Announced as New UK200Group President

We are delighted to announce that Colin Howe, Managing Principal at Hillier Hopkins LLP, has been appointed as the new President of the UK200Group commencing November 2009.

The UK200Group is the leading mutual professional association in the UK with over 110 UK quality assured independent accountancy firms and lawyer firms, as well as 54 International Associate member firms around the globe.

The announcement was made at the association's Annual Conference last week (12 and 13 November) and sees the departure of Kevin Dickens. Jonathan Russell of Oxfordshire firm, Rees Russell LLP, will take over Colin's former role of Vice President.

Colin said: "I'm very honoured to be elected President of the UK200Group. I hope to carry on the good work done by my predecessor, Kevin Dickens, in raising the public profile of the group for the benefit of its members."

With vast experience in advising owner managed business on strategy and planning, Colin hopes to ensure all member firms are fully aware of the advantages of being part of the UK's foremost quality assured mutual association for independent accountants and lawyers.

He wants member firms to continue to draw on the shared expertise held by the Group as a whole and use it to help their businesses grow - and to provide a quality service comparable with the Top 20 accountancy firms.

Colin adds: "I look forward to visiting as many member firms as possible during my term of office to make sure they are all aware of the many services and benefits available to them through their membership.

"In these difficult economic times retention of members is as important as recruiting new ones and I would like to see all our member firms participating as fully as possible in the activities of the group. In this way we can ensure we remain the most active and vibrant national grouping of professionals in the UK."

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