

# PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATE IN FOOTBALL FINANCE

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## **NEIL SMITH MANAGING DIRECTOR, ROTHSCHILD & CO** "The Professional Certificate in Football Finance by Football Finance Professionals is a fantastic induction not only to the nuances of football finance but also to accountancy and corporate finance more generally."

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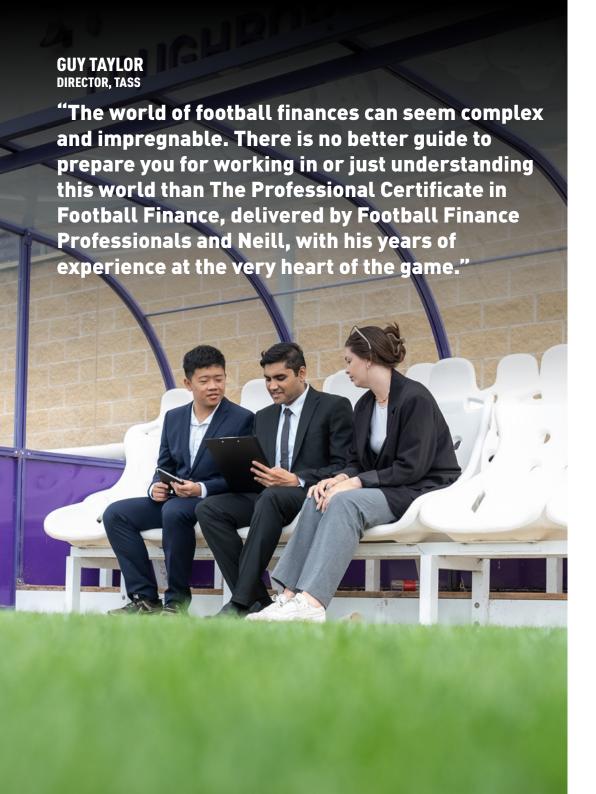
Kick-start your career in football finance with insight from industry professionals.

- Gain a unique insight into the football finance from industry professionals and an understanding of the basic principles of financial accounting.
- Develop practical knowledge of football finance, player contracts, risk management, governance, auditing, taxation and more.
- Understand the UEFA Financial Fair Play regulations and their impact on elite football clubs.
- Learn from industry professionals, including the former Financial Controller of the City Football Group - the parent company of Manchester City Football Club.
- Secure CPD points from The CPD Certification Service, as well as a professional qualification from the world's number one university for sport related subjects\*.
- Study this flexible online course at a pace to suit you, with ondemand content and support, as well as the opportunity to build a professional network.

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#### A WORD FROM OUR FOUNDER

Football inspired me to achieve my sporting dream, but not in the way you might think.

My name is Neill Wood and I am a Football Finance Professional, Chartered Accountant and Visiting Fellow in Sport and Football Finance at Loughborough University.

Growing up in the 1990's, with the creation of the Premier League in 1992, football dominated my childhood.

I was fortunate enough to have been brought up acknowledging the value of a good education, going on to read Sports Science and Mathematics at Loughborough University.

I chose accountancy, training at Ernst & Young (now EY) in Assurance as an auditor.

Upon qualifying as a Chartered Accountant, I quickly built a strategy to achieve my career ambition by becoming the Financial Controller of one of the most complex global sports organisations, City Football Group, the parent company of Manchester City Football Club.

Having responsibility for the financial control function, including financial reporting, Financial Fair Play submissions, global consolidation of up to nine clubs and multiple sales offices, taxation and more, was unrivalled experience in the world of football finance.

I am now here to share my experience and knowledge with you through this course.

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Neill Wood, Founder, Football Finance Professionals



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