

Bringing together business excellence in the Thames Valley*

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PricewaterhouseCoopers¹ (PwC) in the Thames Valley is the largest professional services firm in the region, dedicated to servicing a significantly diverse business community.

We pride ourselves on building long-term relationships with our clients, understanding their business needs and supporting them as trusted advisors.

We offer a full range of services to the region as well as sector specialists. By having a pool of expertise that can give both a regional and global perspective, we believe that our clients experience a unique service.

1. 'PricewaterhouseCoopers' refers to PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP (a limited liability partnership in the United Kingdom).

Growth



The Thames Valley is forecast to be one of the fastest growing regions in Europe over the next 5 years.²

PwC opened offices in the Thames Valley when many of the global giants here today first came to the region.

Today, PwC has over 800 professionals in the Thames Valley that offer a full range of services across a variety of sectors.



Science and technology

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The Thames Valley is home to one of the UK's largest life sciences clusters.³

PwC works with all Thames Valley based companies in the TechMark Mediscience Index.

3. Source: FT: Doing Business in the Thames Valley supplement

Last year, almost 80% of inward investment that came into the region was from the IT, software and communications sector.⁴

The PwC Thames Valley technology team address the unique challenges facing technology companies today, from continuing consolidation, changing business models and accounting complexities through to raising capital.

Inward investment



The Thames Valley is the number one choice of location outside of London for foreign owned businesses. There are now over 2,000 foreign owned businesses in the region, nearly 40% of the South East's total foreign owned companies.⁵

5. Source: Thames Valley Economic Partnership.

This is why PwC in the Thames Valley is home to the US Centre of Excellence, a 'one stop' facility for companies with US listed parents.

The centre is designed to keep companies at the cutting edge on matters related to US GAAP and GAAS, as well as offering advice on the continuing evolution of regulatory requirements relating to internal controls.

PwC in the Thames Valley has a team dedicated to helping Japanese owned companies deal with the challenges of J-SOX and IFRS adoption in their home territory.



Workforce

There are several universities and higher education institutions in the region. TVU, University of Reading and Buckinghamshire New University are all based in the region. Together, they produce over 8,000 graduates per year.⁶

PwC has been voted the Times Top 100 graduate employer for five consecutive years and many of our graduates join from local universities.

6. Source: Thames Valley Economic Partnership.

The Thames Valley is a prime location for employment. It has a labour force of over 640,000. A third of the working population is employed in the region's knowledge based economy. It is also home to the highest density of IT professionals in the UK.⁷

The PwC Thames Valley human resource services practice provides advice on all aspects of people management and helps businesses create value through their people.

World class companies



The Thames Valley outperforms its UK counterparts, with the exception of London, on almost any economic indicator⁸ and it is home to the headquarters of some of the world's leading companies.

40% of listed companies and 87% of Fortune 500 companies based in the region choose to work with PwC.

The business culture of the Thames Valley supports innovation and entrepreneurship and the region has a higher business survival rate than the national average.⁹

Over a quarter of PwC's business is undertaken with entrepreneurial and privately owned companies. Our entrepreneurial team focus specifically on the issues and opportunities faced by private companies.

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