

Committee: **Audit Committee**

Organization/Sector represented:

Name: **Hrishikesh Patil**

Occupation: **Finance professional**

Work experience: **10+ years of work experience across private equity investing, investment banking, financial advisory and auditing**

Education: **MBA from Indian Institute of Management, Bangalore Chartered Accountant and member of Institute of Chartered Accountants of India**

Skills: **As a part of the requirements to obtain the Chartered Accountant, I worked 3 years with Deloitte in the auditing department. Further during my career as an investment professional, I was required to analyse financial statements and other financial data, spot any inconsistencies, seek more information and draw conclusions. I also oversaw the due diligence on investee companies**

Interest reason: **My wife and I relocated to London in 2016 as she commenced graduate studies at Western University. We found the city and its people to be very welcoming. This made our move from India to Canada very easy. This vacancy with the Audit Committee allows me to show my gratitude to the city by using my professional skills**

Contributions: **Throughout my career I have observed and analysed many organisations. The skills developed and the lessons learnt during these experiences give me confidence that I will be able to contribute to the Audit Committee. Specifically I think the following characteristics will be helpful 1. Understanding of financial concepts and financial statements 2. Attention to detail 3. Ability and willingness to ask relevant questions**

Past contributions: **In my last position I worked as a Vice-President at Creador, a private equity fund investing in South & Southeast Asia. This role required me to perform the following relevant functions: 1. Analysis of financial statements and other data for prospective investments 2. Due diligence on investment opportunities under review 3. Monitoring of performance of portfolio companies**

Interpersonal: **I have lived and worked in 4 countries, each with vastly different cultural environments. As a part of my job I was required to manage teams consisting of colleagues and external advisors such as accountants, lawyers and investment bankers. This helped me developed better communication skills as well as an understanding of different cultures**

Interview interest: **Yes**