

PURCHASING MANAGER

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Metal Formed Components Niche Automotive Industry

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Backed by the resources of its fortune 500 international parent company, our client is a niche high volume manufacturer of precision metal products for the automotive industry.

The business prides itself on its high quality ethic, product innovation and ability to respond rapidly to changing customer needs. In order to maintain this competitive edge in a highly demanding market place they are now seeking to recruit a proven high calibre Purchasing Manager, capable of developing efficient procurement techniques in order to ensure the timely delivery of cost efficient direct material for volume production requirements.

Reporting to the Managing Director, you will work closely with the European purchasing team, collaborating on strategic purchasing issues in order to deliver sustainable capability and efficiency improvements for the procurement function.

Leading a small, dedicated team, you will be responsible for monitoring and controlling a purchasing spend of c£5m. You will champion "continuous improvement" and will ensure stock levels, cost reduction targets and KPI improvements are achieved.

As part of the ongoing development of purchasing procedures, you will critically review existing suppliers, identify key supplier partnerships and manage relationships effectively in order to ensure service level agreements are maintained for both direct and indirect material, consumables and contract services.

Experience within a procurement, technical or engineering environment and knowledge of ISO 9000, QS 9000, ISO/TS 16949 with respect to purchasing (APQP, PPAP etc) will stand you in good stead.

An effective communicator with sound commercial instincts, you will also be a strong negotiator with a high level of persuasive skill and be capable of making decisions. Furthermore, as an influential member of the local management team, you will contribute to the strategic direction of the company and will actively promote a "can do" culture.

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