



## Welcome to the Autumn 2010 Newswire

### Introduction by Paul Winder



Hello and welcome to our Autumn newswire. The summer period is always a quieter season for MGI, as we do not do many activities during the school holidays. Despite this, there have been three seminars in the last quarter, which are commented on below.

With regard to potential new members, we have continued with our mailings and this quarter have had two meetings with one potential member, the second of which was a formal pitch against two other associations, to all 17 partners. Despite being able to call upon Peter Winter of Carter Backer Winter and Thierry Delvaux, our international executive director, to attend and present with me, we were not successful in recruiting them. However our search for suitable new members goes on.

Looking forward, next quarter will include the MGI AGM in Cape Town during October and the MGI UK and Ireland partners and managers conference in November. I also hope to be meeting firms to discuss the inter-firm comparisons, which should be out in October, and to find out what you all want from MGI in 2011.

The Managing Partners gathering takes place on 26 October, and our main focus will be on the inter-firm comparison. The questionnaire requesting information has recently been circulated, so can all firms ensure they get their data back to me by the deadline, so we can make the best of the event.

### **UK and Ireland conference**



Everything is in place for the MGI UK and Ireland partners and managers conference. Would all those firms who still haven't given delegate numbers please do so as a matter of urgency, as rooms will not be held for much longer.

I have high hopes that this will be our best conference yet, with MGI from around the world strongly represented, with members from China, India and Russia presenting and attending the conference and other delegates from Germany, the Netherlands, Hungary and Mauritius already booked as well.

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### **MGI worldwide AGM**



Representatives of MGI UK and Ireland are looking forward to attending the MGI AGM in Cape Town, South Africa, from October 13 to 15. It is always a pleasure to meet up with MGI members from around the world and it will be good to appreciate a few days of summer in the Southern Hemisphere.

There will be an interesting programme of presentations as well as an opportunity to take the cable car to the top of Table Mountain. Phil Ewing from Harrison, Beale and Owen will be giving a presentation to the conference as a new member, having joined just after last year's AGM.

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### **MGI Nordic Circle Meeting**



MGI Revisjon Asker hosted a very entertaining, informative and interesting Nordic Circle Meeting on 10-11 September 2010.

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## Tax forum



Most members of MGI UK and Ireland were present at the recent tax forum with more than a dozen delegates. We were also joined by representatives from MGI Verstegen in the Netherlands who presented on tax planning opportunities using companies based in the country.

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## Marketing forum



July's marketing forum featured a presentation by Julian Feinstein of LDL on fee negotiation.

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## Non-partner meeting



Member firms had specifically requested that we had a seminar this year for seniors and managers, which specifically excluded all partners.

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## MGI UK and Ireland directors



Last year, we set up a new system so that we have six directors on the UK and Ireland board of MGI, serving terms of three years, with two retiring each year on a rotating basis.

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## Business update from Ireland



The Minister for Enterprise, Trade & Innovation, Batt O’Keeffe TD has signed the European Communities (Transitional Period Measures in respect of Third Country Auditors) (Fees) Regulations 2010 into law.

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## Introducing Rickard Keen



Rickard Keen is celebrating a milestone year during 2010, as it marks 30 years since the firm was created from the merger of two Southend accountancy firms, Rickard Porter and Hartley Keen.

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## The latest from our blogs



MGI continues to provide an insight into the latest business news and trends using its blog channel on the popular accountancy website [www.accountingweb.co.uk](http://www.accountingweb.co.uk).

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### Marketing update



Targeting for new members continues in this last quarter of the with a focus on attracting member firms from the North West, Wales, North East and Scotland regions. All target firms on the database have been invited to the annual conference and we are also focusing on inviting some potential North West members to attend for free.

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### Around the firms



A quick round-up of news from MGI UK and Ireland member firms.

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