



Wentan Tsao

Financial Controller · Project & Cost Controlling

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PROFILE

I turn financial data into clear analysis that management can act on: budgets, forecasts, project margins, costs, cash flow and variances. I have done this in plant engineering, chemicals and mobility in Germany, building on an accounting career that began in Taiwan.

EXPERIENCE

Financial Support

Evershine CPAs · Remote

Sept 2025 – Jun 2026

Occasional project work since

Closing and reporting support for international clients of an accounting firm.

- Supported period-end closings under HGB and IFRS
- Prepared VAT reports and financial reports
- Handled supplier invoices end to end: checking, account coding, booking and preparing the payment run for approval

Financial Controller

T.EN Zimmer GmbH · Technip Energies group · plant engineering · Frankfurt am Main

May 2023 – Jun 2025

Financial Controller (Oct 2023 – Jun 2025) · Junior Financial Controller (May 2023 – Sept 2023)

Project controlling for plant-engineering projects, from budget to billing.

- Prepared, presented and monitored project budgets and forecasts, analysing variances and adjusting forecasts
- Prepared the figures for monthly, quarterly and year-end closings: actuals, forecasts, provisions, hours reports and cost overviews
- Kept project management reports (PMR) current and looked after the project interface to EcoSys
- Managed customer billing and monitored receivables through the invoice register; supported cash flow management and group reporting
- Contributed to the Oracle implementation and provided documentation for audits
- Acted as the interface between project managers and accounting/controlling, and onboarded new team members

Controller

Light Mobility Solutions GmbH · Mobility · Obertshausen

Nov 2022 – Apr 2023

Liquidity, cost controlling and closing for a mobility company.

- Prepared the liquidity plan and cash forecast
- Cost controlling, including product cost collectors, price calculations and variance analysis
- Contributed to monthly and year-end closings, including the material cost closing
- Reviewed purchase requests for approval

Junior Cost Accountant

INEOS Styrolution Europe GmbH · Chemicals · fixed-term · Frankfurt am Main

Nov 2021 – Oct 2022

Product cost controlling in SAP for three German production sites and their toll-manufacturing companies.

- Calculated standard prices on my own responsibility, maintained material masters and validated all European products
- Determined actual production costs with the SAP Material Ledger, settled process orders and analysed production variances
- Responsible for cost centre accounting and SAP CO-PA; looked after five holding and six service companies
- Ran monthly, quarterly and year-end CO closings and weekly analyses of sales prices, production costs and raw-material prices

Finance Intern

Roman Klis Design · Herrenberg

Nov 2020 – Aug 2021

Weekly and monthly reporting, receivables management, and support for closings and forecasts.

Accountant · Editorial Assistant · Sales

Taiwan Gospel Book Room · Taipei, Taiwan

Jul 2009 – Jul 2016

Seven years in three roles: accountant for monthly and year-end closings and receivables, editorial assistant, and sales. Trained three new colleagues in accounting.

EDUCATION

Master of Finance
International School of Management (ISM) · Frankfurt am Main
Focus: Corporate finance, financial mathematics, IFRS accounting, controlling
Master's thesis: "The effect of M&A goodwill on firm performance"
GPA: 1.15 (German scale, 1.0 is best)

Sept 2018 – Jun 2021

Exchange semester, Master of Finance
The University of Auckland · Auckland, New Zealand
Focus: Risk management, modern corporate finance, governance in finance

Jul 2019 – Nov 2019

Bachelor of Accounting
National Cheng Kung University · Tainan, Taiwan
Focus: Intermediate and advanced accounting, cost accounting, financial management, business management

Sept 2003 – Jun 2007

SKILLS

Controlling & accounting

Project controlling · Product cost controlling · Budgeting & forecasting · Variance analysis · Liquidity planning & cash forecast · Month-, quarter- and year-end closing · Cost centre accounting · Management & ad-hoc reporting · Accounts payable & receivable

Systems & tools

SAP CO/FI, incl. CO-PA and Material Ledger · Oracle · EcoSys · Excel (advanced) · Power BI: dashboards, DAX basics · AI agents for finance work

Standards & tax

HGB (German GAAP) · IFRS · VAT reporting

Languages

Mandarin Chinese: Native · English: Fluent (C1) · German: Professional working proficiency (B2–C1)

COMMUNITY

Factory Guild member · Ambassador Program · Factory
Accepted into Factory's Ambassador Program. I use AI agents to prepare analyses and automate repetitive spreadsheet steps, and I check every number the way a controller should.

Since 2026

Volunteer teacher · Glory Foundation
Taught more than 50 children at an elementary school, with lessons on personal development and character.

Sept 2017 – Jan 2018

Community organiser · The Church in Taipei
Coached community groups from seven countries and regions, and grew participant recruitment by 30% in six months.

Aug 2007 – Jun 2009