

Group Reporting Retainer

For finance functions where the group reporting cycle is a permanent monthly cost centre, not a project. Atlas Verum sits inside the cycle each month on a retainer, taking the production load so your team holds the strategic seat. Monthly consolidation, intercompany matching, FX validation, sub-certification administration and board pack, with audit-cycle support layered through year-end.

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Where it hurts

- Listed groups running monthly, quarterly and annual reporting cycles back to back
- Mid-cap groups whose senior group reporting bench is thin and turnover is high
- PE-backed companies whose reporting cadence has outgrown the original operating model
- Finance functions where year-end audit always eats into Q1 because the reporting pack is rebuilt under audit pressure
- Heads of Group Reporting who need senior overlay for sub-certification, FX validation and disclosure but do not need a programme rebuild

Trigger events

Senior group reporting hire just left · quarterly cycle still cleared on spreadsheets · sub-cert cascade lives in someone's head · disclosure rework after partner-firm queries each cycle · FX retranslation reviewed once a year not each close · board pack assembled by junior with no senior QA.

DELIVERY

What Atlas Verum produces inside the retainer each cycle

- Monthly consolidated submission to board reporting standard
- Intercompany matching with tolerance and exception logic
- Sub-certification cascade administration and chase
- Disclosure-note refresh inside the cycle, not at year-end
- Technical memo cover for complex transactions as they arise
- Entity reporting pack quality assurance against template
- FX retranslation validated under IAS 21 each cycle, not annually
- Board pack with KPI variance commentary
- Audit-readiness review layered through Q3 and Q4
- Audit clearance file structured for partner audit firm consumption

PROOF

Verified delivery on a six-entity FRS 102 consolidation, sustained beyond engagement

18→9 CLOSE COMPRESSION ON THE REBUILD THAT PRECEDED THE RETAINER	12mo+ SUSTAINED WITHOUT EXTERNAL CONSULTANT AFTER HANDOVER	-45% IC ELIMINATION ERRORS HELD CYCLE OVER CYCLE	-60% IC CONFIRMATIONS EFFORT EACH CLOSE	Q1 AUDIT CYCLE FREED FROM REPORTING REWORK
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ENGAGEMENT SHAPE Retainer (Tier C) 3-month minimum. Renewable cycle by cycle.	INDICATIVE FEE £8k–£15k / month Banded on group size, cycle cadence and audit-cycle inclusion.	CAPACITY Founder-operator Up to two concurrent retainers without subcontractor activation.
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AUDIT CYCLE

How the partner audit firm consumes the retainer output

Inside the retainer Atlas Verum holds the audit-readiness review across the year, so the year-end pack lands clean. The partner audit firm consumes the audit clearance file directly, runs fieldwork, and forms the opinion. Atlas Verum coordinates the audit cycle from the client side, manages query response and resolves observations through to opinion delivery. The audit partner firm is selected from Atlas Verum's trusted network and matched per engagement. Partner firms are not named publicly.

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