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WORKING EXPERIENCE

Alpha4x Asset Management LLC

Analyst, Global Macro Hedge Fund

Apr 2013 - Present

New York, New York

- Serve as research analyst supporting the investment team Alpha4x Asset Management LLC which spun out of Bladex Asset Management, LLC in April 2013 with \$105 Assets Under Management (AUM) in two hedge funds.
- Participate in daily investment activities with idea generation and trade support for FX, Futures, Credit Default Swaps, Interest Rates, Equity Indices, and other OTC products across global markets.
- Maintained automated risk reporting including Value At Risk (VaR), volatility, leverage, heat and P&L calculations for a multi-asset class portfolio.
- Analyze fundamentals, catalyst scenarios, sell-side research, correlations, potential overextended periods and risks of global investment themes to consider opportunistic trade ideas in global equity indices, credit, currencies and rates of developed and Emerging Markets (EM). *Project: Created an EM fundamental country valuations spreadsheet and their correlations with commodities, Purchasing Managers Indexes (PMIs) and currencies that contributed significantly to the investment process.*
- Developed research that has since been incorporated into the current trading models. *Project: Created monthly basket (long /short) of EM currencies against USD with fundamental and technical data that could be utilized as a hedge in the portfolio.*
- Assisted in the Firm's complex transition into an independent firm with multi-asset class products with a then 7-year track record that required significant reconciliation of legacy data. Responsibilities include middle/back office duties, business development efforts, and risk and fund performance for the investment team. Migration of proprietary risk system, fund data and marketing materials from previous fund while remaining within compliance guidelines.
- Assisted in business development efforts of the Fund in Europe and US market.

Bladex Asset Management, LLC

Analyst, Macro Hedge Fund focus in Latin America

Jan 2012 – Apr 2013

New York, New York

- Collected statistics and prepared fund performance attribution. Calculating various risk metrics, reporting correlations, heat, VaR, leverage and exposure.
- Maintained daily risk and P&L calculation systems.
- Contributed to investor letters and factsheets with relevant monthly information and statistics.
- Developed the process to calculate the daily and monthly Net Asset Value for the Bladex Capital Growth Fund.

Messier-Bugatti-Dowty, Safran Group (Aerospace sector)

Finance and Accounting Internship

Summer 2011

Gloucester, United Kingdom

- Assisted to corporate tax preparation services, including complex partnership and corporate returns.
- Collaborated in the reconciliation of company's cash balances, balance sheets and financial statements.

Ugartesa, S.A (Automotive sector)

Accounting Internship

Jan - Sept 2010

Valencia, Spain

- Performed internal audit functions, including transaction testing, customer interviews, systems documentation, preparation of financial reports and maintenance of cash flows.
- Managed relationships with existing clients and vendors.

EDUCATION

University of North Carolina (UNCW)

Bachelor of Arts in Finance GPA 3.45

Wilmington, NC, USA

May 2012

University of Valencia, Spain

Bachelor of Business Administration GPA 3.7

Valencia, Spain

Expected June 2015

Selected to participate in the TransAtlantic Business School Alliance.

Bloomberg Certificates in Commodities, Equities and Fixed Income Essentials

SKILLS

MULTIMEDIA

Advance: Excel, VBA, Bloomberg, DTCC, MarkitServ, MarkitWire, Salesforce, Publisher, Powerpoint, Outlook, Word, Pages, Numbers, KeyNotes, Kondor, Advent Geneva.

Intermediate: Oracle, Gestion, SoftCo, Gams.

Basic: Microsoft SQL server, C++, R.

Platforms: Mac, Windows.

LANGUAGES

Spanish (Native), **English** (Fluent), **Catalan** (Native) and **Portuguese** (Read only).

Qualified to work in the US and Europe.