

Seymour Kessel

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Seymour Kessel is a 35 year Finance and Technology executive with extensive global management experience and a proven track record encompassing project and line responsibilities. In his more than 31 years at Credit Suisse, his experience has spanned various organizations in the Bank, having worked within and across Finance, IT, Operations, and Sales & Trading. Within Finance, Seymour has managed reporting, metrics, analytics, budgeting, forecasting, and strategic plans (1, 3 and 5 years). He has developed and monitored Key Performance Indicators for financial and control measurements.

As an IT professional, Seymour worked as a business analyst, liaising between end users and technologists. His project experience has revolved around strategic change, and has comprised numerous system/process reengineering, upgrades and customizations. He has worked extensively with consultants and auditors from PwC, E&Y, KPMG, McKinsey, BCG, and IBM.

Some recent examples of Seymour's work of include:

- Evaluation of Restructuring and Realignment business initiatives. Analysis includes applicability, feasibility, cost-benefit, and return on investment.
- Participation in industry wide peer reviews – McLagan and Zyen.
- Responsible for the review and reduction of non-compensation expenses within the IB Support division.
- Functional lead for the implementation of the PeopleSoft Financial suite of products – G/L, A/P, Fixed Assets, Purchase Order, and ePro.
- Redeployment of regional financial functional support teams to a central 24/6 operation in Singapore.

Seymour is a Phi Beta Kappa graduate of Rutgers University with a Bachelor of Arts in Accounting and Economics. His professional licenses and certifications include: CPA - New York State, Series 7 and 63 securities licenses, and PRINCE 2 certification.