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The Chartered Institute of Management Accountants (CIMA) launches prestigious

CFO Programme for Business Leaders in Rwanda

*Educational Programme offers the C-Suite a fast track to the
CGMA designation*

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The Chartered Institute of Management Accountants (CIMA) launched its CFO Programme for business leaders in Rwanda today. The exclusive programme is open to CFOs, CEOs and senior accounting management who wish to enhance their leadership and financial skills and take a fast track route to earning the [Chartered Global Management Accountant \(CGMA\)](#) designation.

Globally recognised, the CIMA CFO Programme is a well-respected pathway designed to complement a professional's vast experience in finance and business functions as a C-suite executive. Participation in the programme is open to CFOs and C-suite executives and senior management who have at least 10 years of relevant work experience in finance or business functions. Delegates need to sit and pass the CGMA case study examination and complete a seven-day preparation workshop involving real-world business and finance scenarios to earn their CGMA designation.

Delegates can expect to hone and develop critical business skills, including strategic thinking, leadership, communication and people skills. Specifically, programme delegates will learn how to:

- Offer data-driven financial insights to help organisations operate more efficiently in the digital age.
- Develop leadership skillsets to influence and inspire teams and partners.
- Equip and coach strategic business partners to make better business decisions, evaluate risks and create sustainable value for the organisation.



Additionally, programme graduates will have exclusive access to global networking opportunities, education and resources through the [Association of International Certified Professional Accountants](#), the global organisation formed by members of CIMA and the American Institute of CPAs (AICPA).

Having already been successfully launched in South Africa and Kenya, the programme is designed to give C-suite professionals an unparalleled competitive advantage in the marketplace. Building on the programme's success to-date, CIMA is now turning its attention to Rwanda and helping business leaders with the skills they need to further the recent development successes the country has witnessed.

Badi Promesse, FCMA CGMA Regional Vice President, Africa said: "We have been working hand in hand with the government and the private sector in Rwanda to support sustainable growth that will benefit the country and region as a whole. Rwanda is driving a remarkable economic reform programme that is being recognised around the world. It is, therefore, important to support this success through growing leaders with the right skills and capabilities.

He continued: "Managers who earn the CGMA designation after completing the CFO programme will be sufficiently equipped to drive business success across sectors, gaining the required technical expertise, as well as develop broader leadership skill-sets to inspire those around them, and gain exclusive access to global networking opportunities. This will benefit Rwanda by creating business opportunities supported by a new generation of Chartered Global Management Accountant designation holders."

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