

Corporate Governance in the Construction Sector in United Kingdom

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Risk factors remain, but for many investors the UK presents a safe haven. And, while part of Europe, the retention of the British pound has protected the UK from some of the major issues facing the Eurozone. At the same time, the UK is one of the United States' largest trading partners as well as the Eurozone's single largest trading partner. With an innovative attitude towards business, many UK companies are exploring opportunities, and historic ties, with emerging economies—including those with the shared values of the Commonwealth.

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