

Curriculum Vitae – Kaan Eran

Mr. Kaan Eran is an experienced mentor, consultant, and interim executive with more than thirty years of professional background in finance, strategic management, and organizational transformation. He holds the EMCC Global Individual Accreditation (Mentor/Coach) and licenses from the Capital Markets Board of Turkey (SPL). He is a founding partner of FinLit Partners Oy (Finland), a company specialized in the export of educational services, financial literacy projects, and entrepreneurship training across Europe and Türkiye.

Professional Career

Mr. Eran commenced his career as an Internal Auditor at Pamukbank (Turkey, 1990–1993), where he developed expertise in compliance, auditing standards, and financial controls. His career then advanced into international banking and capital markets, serving as Director of Internal Audit & IT at Banca Turco Romana (Romania, 1994–1995), TEKSTIL Securities (ICBC, Turkey, 1997–1998), and FINANSBANK Romania (Credit Europe, 1999–2000). In these roles, he gained substantial experience in risk management, corporate governance, and cross-border financial operations.

Later, he undertook general management responsibilities, including his tenure as General Manager of Nutra Slim (Turkey, 1998–1999) and Planet Leasing Romania (2001–2002). His subsequent career path focused on high-level financial leadership, acting as Chief Financial Officer and Interim Manager in multiple organizations, including:

- SUPERLIT Romania (€30M operations, 2008–2010)
- USAS Turkey (₺210M operations, 2012–2013)
- Monster Notebook (Turkey, 2020–2021)

In these positions, he was responsible for strategic financial planning, turnaround management, ERP implementation, cash flow optimization, and restructuring initiatives.

Training, Consulting, and Mentoring Activities

Parallel to his executive roles, Mr. Eran has been actively engaged in training, consulting, and mentoring. He has conducted seminars and corporate workshops on topics such as managerial finance, strategic planning, MIS, ERP systems, internal controls, and report writing. He served as a part-time instructor at Bahçeşehir University Executive MBA Program (2015–2016), teaching budgeting and money management. Between 2021 and 2023, he also provided compliance consultancy in financial crimes investigations (MASAK) and supply chain audits in Istanbul's Grand Bazaar financial sector.

EU and International Project Experience

Through FinLit Partners Oy, Mr. Eran has played an active role in Erasmus+ and other EU-funded projects. Notably, he contributed to the “Game-Based Learning for Financial Literacy” project (2018-2-TR01-KA205-060714), where the primary objective was to

enhance the knowledge and decision-making skills of young people in financial matters. He has also been involved in preparing and submitting several Erasmus+ project proposals focusing on financial literacy, entrepreneurship, and simulation-based learning.

In 2019, FinLit Partners organized the Education Finland Seminar in Ankara, an event with over 300 participants, including directors and teachers from Turkish schools, as well as Finnish education professionals and embassy representatives. Mr. Eran's role in these projects and events has centered on designing training modules, delivering content on financial and entrepreneurial skills, and facilitating international cooperation between academia, SMEs, and policymakers.

Fields of Expertise

Mr. Eran's expertise includes:

- Managerial Finance & Accounting
- Corporate Governance & Internal Audit
- Risk Management & Compliance
- Strategic and Financial Planning
- Turnaround and Change Management
- ERP and MIS Implementation
- Production Efficiency and Organizational Structuring
- Cash Flow Management (core area of specialization)

He is particularly recognized for emphasizing cash flow management as the fundamental prerequisite ("sine qua non") for business continuity and sustainable growth.

Academic Background and Languages

Mr. Eran graduated from TED Ankara College (1981) and holds a B.Sc. in Economics from Middle East Technical University (METU, 1989). He is a native speaker of Turkish, fluent in English, and has limited proficiency in Romanian.

Personal Information

Born in 1963, he is married with one child. His personal interests include chess, tai-chi, sailing, and trading psychology, with a strong engagement in behavioral finance and applied decision-making in financial markets.

Conclusion

In summary, Mr. Kaan Eran combines academic knowledge, practical executive experience, and international project exposure. His career reflects a consistent focus on finance, organizational development, and education-driven transformation. He continues to contribute as a mentor, interim manager, and board-level advisor, supporting SMEs, start-ups, and international partnerships in achieving sustainable strategic outcomes.