

# THE ROAD TO CFO

### **#1 MENTALITY**

Shift your mindset from one of pure analysis and forecasting, and diversify it to think laterally. Focus on developing strong strategies that promote growth based on financial information.



### **#2 INTERCONNECTIVITY**

Avoid siloing the finance function, you need to develop strong interactions and communication channels right throughout the business.

### **#3 FLEXIBILITY**

A highly effective CFO is fluid to some degree, be sure to adapt to changing circumstances, innovate with current resources. Be highly analytical, pragmatic, and self-aware.



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## 4. EMPATHY

An effective CFO will rate highly on the EQ scale, understanding your people is key. You need to help your staff understand how their roles play a part in the overall goals of the organisation.



### 5. ACTION

A CFO should be both a strategic leader and exceptional communicator. They will have a bias for action and be a calculated risk taker. They will have a strong ability to accomplish more, with less.

### 6. MENTALITY

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