

Are you looking to work in a dynamic and fast paced environment where you can make a real difference? We at **Toolstation** are looking for an **Assistant Commercial Planning Manager - Direct Sourcing** with proven commercial sourcing experience who is inquisitive and really passionate about what they do. This role is a vital link between the UK Commercial team and our Sourcing operation in Asia and could provide you a stepping stone into various different roles within the business.

Working effectively across a number of teams, this role provides great insight into all commercial and supply activity across Toolstation. You will play an important part in supporting the business's overseas sourcing strategy through competent delivery of a high number of cost reduction projects according to timescale and budget. This includes working collaboratively with other functions such as commercial, supply chain, logistics, finance and marketing to ensure the full end-to-end sourcing framework is covered.

You'll be responsible for:

- Delivery of Toolstation's aggressive project plan of overseas cost reduction initiatives, with up to 30 live projects being worked on at any given time.
- Establishment and rolling out of best practice and process across the UK and Asia teams to ensure project delivery is consistent and as lean as possible.
- Working closely with support functions to understand their respective needs and outcomes.
- Support in gaining comprehensive commodity and currency data and effective insight on things such as supply routes, to help meet commercial decision-making.
- Provide project management support to ensure; key milestones are agreed, progress is clearly reported and effective decisions are made on time.
- Support related cross functional activities, such as waste reduction, cost to serve and own brand launches.
- Troubleshooting and removing blockers through clear data and presentation insight.

What do I need to have?

You will have experience of hands-on project management within a fast-paced commercial retail setting combined with excellent analytical and problem solving skills. You'll also need to be confident at communicating with key stakeholders and influence across different levels of the business. Finally, we need you to be resilient with a firm grasp on the right decision, with the ability to remove blockers and keep everyone motivated.