November 2018

Commercial Borrowing - UK

"All businesses look to financial institutions for lending in order to make vital growth developments and other operational processes possible. Whilst the structure of commercial borrowing continues to change with the emergence of new alternative lenders, mainstream lenders must continue to offer the most suitable products for companies so that ...

Small Business Overview - UK

"Over 99% of companies in the UK are small businesses. There are more than 5.7 million and they account for 34.5% of the overall economy, at £1,428.4 billion. They also account for 39% of all employment in the UK. In the last five years, their overall ...

September 2018

Peer-to-peer Business Finance - UK

"P2P lending platforms must continue to attract new funding sources and new borrowers. However, achieving both at the same time is not a formality – platforms may have a strong supply of funding available but lack 'high-quality' or suitable borrowers, or vice-versa. A slowdown in either of these will affect ...

August 2018

Public Expenditure - UK

"The UK government's strategy remains focused on reducing the national deficit, with a desire to maintain public expenditure while reducing borrowing and boosting economic growth. The government further reduced borrowing in 2018, with this trend set to continue in the coming years, assuming no political change. However, the UK is ...

July 2018

Commercial Mortgages - UK

"Commercial borrowing levels recovered in 2017, bolstered by a strong second half of the year, as the market displayed resilience a year on from the lull that followed the EU referendum. This growth came as a surprise to many in the industry given the climate of uncertainty, with fears that ...

Bridging Loans - UK

"Despite uncertain progress in Brexit negotiations, several stagnant economic growth indicators, and potential interest rate rises over the next year, the industry has performed well in a difficult environment. Whilst some lenders have left the market, others have entered and continue to adapt and cater to borrowers' specific funding needs ...

June 2018

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Commercial Property - UK

"The short-term outlook for the UK commercial property market remains cautiously optimistic, with growth of 1% in real terms predicted for 2018. However, there is some disparity between major sectors, with industrial and alternative assets expected to outperform, while sentiment in the retail sector continues to weaken."

– Claudia ...

March 2018

Commercial Banking and Finance - UK

"Banks must confront the challenges of digital structural change and redesign their operating models. By strategically connecting their businesses with the vast amount of data available to them, such as through the cloud, they can build intelligence on customers' evolving needs, which can drive value."

– Lewis Cone, B2B ...

February 2018

Accounting and Financial Management - UK

"Many recent acquisitions by major accountancy firms have revolved around the technology space, such as big data, analytics and digitisation, which is playing an increasingly important role in consultancy services. This trend is set to continue, with larger firms looking to strengthen their multi-disciplinary skills and advisory practices through medium-sized ...

January 2018

B2B Insurance - UK

"With most insurance premiums rising, businesses are seeking alternatives to the traditional products on offer. Insurers need to adapt existing operating models to meet this demand otherwise new entrants to the industry, who could benefit from quickly adapting to policyholders' needs, will overtake insurers in the same way that technology-led ...

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