

## **PRESS RELEASE**

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### **Ballards joins a Global Accounting Association to expand its international offering.**

Ballards, a leading Midlands-based professional services firm, has joined AGN International, one of the world's leading tax, audit, and advisory associations. The growing firm, which now employs over 120 people, expanded its international offering to meet the needs of its increasing client base.

By joining AGN International, Ballards will be able to leverage trusted connections in over 80 countries in order to be able to provide relevant solutions where a client's requirements extend outside of the UK. The Ballards International offering will be able to support and advise clients with varying needs, from assisting with a tax or accounting compliance issue in another country to seeking advice on how to expand operations into another worldwide location.

To ensure that the needs of international groups looking to inwardly invest in the UK are being met, Ballards continues to demonstrate its commitment to developing and offering comprehensive cross-border accounting, auditing, and tax services. To ensure they remain at the forefront of the profession, they also provide extensive specialised capabilities in transaction advisory services, IT consulting and digital transformation, branding and website consultancy, and workforce acquisition services.

AGN International is one of the world's leading associations of separate and independent accounting and advisory businesses that provide assurance, accounting, tax, and advisory services worldwide. With high standards and great client service at the heart of its mission, AGN is consistently ranked in the top 10 of comparable organisations worldwide (4th International Accounting Bulletin—IAB—March 2024).

Malcolm Ward, CEO of AGN, said, "We are delighted to welcome Ballards to our association. Their proven expertise and commitment to quality align perfectly with AGN's values, and we look forward to a productive relationship. Ballards' exceptional reputation and diverse service offerings will be a valuable addition to our membership, and we are confident that this collaboration will benefit both their clients and our other member firms."

Andy Bewick, Corporate and International Partner at Ballards said, "We are proud to join AGN International. We are an agile firm committed to anticipating and responding to an increasingly complex business landscape. Our incredible growth over recent years has seen a significant increase in clients with international operations. AGN's global reach and the collective expertise of their member firms will help us meet the evolving needs of our clients."

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