



# Inspiring Graduate Journeys

## Transcription

Hi, my name is Dele and I am a second year audit graduate at KPMG. I studied economics at university and I wanted to do something that was similar to economics. I went to an open evening for every big four firm, just to see what it would be like and the KPMG open evening was by far my favourite.

Hi, my name is Sonali, I work in transaction services in the Leeds office. When I moved to Leeds, I was anxious, just because I was starting a new job and I just left university in a different city from a different country altogether. I've got a fantastic team, who have supported me personally and professionally.

I am originally from Glasgow, studied in Glasgow and now work in the Glasgow office at KPMG.

My name is Haengeun, and I work in the financial modelling team. My normal day would vary from coding and maybe building a website designs or an app. Using technology to help solve IT issues or any business problems they might have.

My name is Josef. I am a management consultant, so that involves helping clients with their; supply chains, procurement strategies and also their operating models.

We get an allocated 6 days a year, to volunteer and do things that actually matter to us.

I recently got involved in a charity abseil, there's lots of opportunities for graduates, outside of client work.

KPMG is great at helping me keep my work life balance.

I work in transaction services, it's a diverse field to be in. You work with different companies, different industries. It is fast moving as well. Every project has been different.

I work in financial due diligence. Every, like 3 or 4 weeks you are just on a new project. You'll be researching or data crunching and analysing.

We've got a very collaborative culture, working with senior management within the team. It just becomes a really enjoyable part of the job.

On a day-to-day basis, I do a lot of data analysis and a lot of tests, so we do a lot of audit tests just for a variety of different things. When you work as part of the audit team, you always have someone who has been at the firm for 3 or 4 years. They are always there to talk you through whatever issues you may have.

KPMG has a great structure in place, to help graduates progress through different stages of your career, so you have 3 years programme, with lots of training throughout those 3 years.

The qualification I am currently studying is the CFA, the Chartered Financial Analysts.

There is a very intensive programme, designed to help you learn the technical skills and all the soft skills that are required to be successful.

If there is something you are interested in, there is a training programme for it.

KPMGs Academy hold loads of welcome events, so you really get to know your intake really well.

I do believe, I do have a brilliant opportunity to build a career at KPMG. It's up to you how much you push yourself or want to push yourself and how much you want to achieve.

You do have challenges of course, but, there is a culture of supporting each other. I really enjoy working at KPMG. It's a place where I can excel.