
Senior Estimator

County Galway, Ireland | Full-time | Permanent

About Quantex

Quantex is a Chartered Quantity Surveying consultancy providing professional cost and commercial services to main contractors, subcontractors and clients across Ireland, the UK, Australia and mainland Europe. Our 10-strong team, backed by over 30 years' combined director experience, specialises in detailed measurement, bill of quantities production, commercial management and construction dispute resolution across civil engineering, water/wastewater, roads, energy, data centre and rail projects.

The Role

We are seeking a Senior Estimator to take a lead role in the preparation of tenders for building, civil engineering and infrastructure projects, working closely with our directors on bid strategy and pricing, and mentoring junior estimating staff.

Key Responsibilities

- Lead the preparation of cost estimates and tender submissions for building, civil engineering and infrastructure projects.
- Oversee measurement and take-off carried out by the wider estimating team, using CostX or equivalent software.
- Analyse tender documentation, contract conditions and drawings to determine scope, risk and commercial strategy.
- Develop bid strategy, methodology and pricing structure in conjunction with directors.
- Manage the subcontractor and supplier enquiry process, including obtaining and evaluating quotations.
- Build up and review rates for labour, plant and materials from first principles.
- Lead tender adjudication and final pricing review prior to submission.
- Mentor and review the work of junior estimators.
- Ensuring that the tender is successfully transitioned into a Contract / Subcontract that reflects the tender offer.
- Support handover of successful tenders to the commercial/delivery team.
- Attend site visits, pre-tender and client meetings as required.

Requirements

- Degree (Hons) in Quantity Surveying, Civil Engineering, Construction Management or a related discipline.
- Minimum 6–8 years' relevant estimating experience, ideally within building civil engineering or infrastructure.
- Strong working knowledge of measurement to ARM / CESMM / TII methods of measurement.
- Proven track record leading tenders from enquiry through to submission.
- Strong working knowledge of RIAI and / or Public Works Contract forms.
- Proficiency with estimating/measurement software (e.g. CostX) and advanced MS Excel.
- Strong leadership, negotiation and communication skills.
- Ability to work to tight tender deadlines.
- Ability to work in a team.
- Good communication skills.
- Full clean driving licence.

Desirable

- Exposure to RIAI and / or Public Works Contract forms.
- Chartered status (MRICS, MSCSI or MCInstCES) or actively working towards chartership.
- International project experience (UK, Australia or mainland Europe). Australian experience particularly relevant.
- Experience mentoring or managing junior estimating staff.

What We Offer

- A client-facing role with direct exposure to major civil and infrastructure projects.
- Working directly alongside experienced chartered directors across estimating, commercial management and dispute resolution.
- Career progression within a growing consultancy operating across Ireland, the UK, Australia and Europe.
- Competitive salary, commensurate with experience.
- Assistance in progressing your applications for Chartership as the Director is an SCSi trained Supervisor and Counsellor.

How to Apply

Please send your CV and a short cover note to info@quantex.ie.