

Section 7 References and resources

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Resources

Websites

Website addresses for a number of British organisations are listed below. A search of the Internet for other relevant organisations will throw up a large number of American sites belonging to research institutes and business organisations. You may find some of them interesting, although their focus tends to be on larger, often multi-generational family businesses.

Useful organisations

Anglia Polytechnic University
Ashcroft International Business School
The Centre for Business Transformation
Danbury Park Conference Centre
Main Road
Danbury
Essex CM3 4AT
Email: angliainfo@apu.ac.uk
Website: <http://www.apu.ac.uk>

Anglia Polytechnic University has established a good reputation for its progressive and dynamic approach to business – including both large and small businesses. Business support and mentoring for small and family-run businesses is a highly valued service offered by the Centre for Business Transformation in the Ashcroft International Business School.

Stoy Centre for Family Business

8 Baker Street
London W1U 3L
Tel: 020 7486 58888
Website: www.scfb.co.uk

Launched in 1993, the Stoy Centre for Family Business (SCFB) was the UK's first organisation dedicated solely to serving the family business community. The SCFB continues to support the sector by:

- **guiding and advising** family businesses on how to reconcile the often conflicting needs of the family and the business
- **providing a framework within which information and learning experiences can be shared**
- **increasing understanding of family business dynamics** in the wider family business community and beyond.

The SCFB operates out of a network of **ten regional centres** around the UK. It is a valuable resource for any family business preparing to undergo structural or strategic change, wishing to confront a specific issue that has arisen because of the family's involvement in the business, or, quite simply, to avoid any such difficulties arising in the future.

Institute for Family Business

6–16 Huntsworth Mews
London NW1 6DD
Tel: 0870 872 8388
Website: www.ifb.org.uk

IFB is an independent, not-for-profit organisation controlled by its members: the family companies. It is principally open to owners, family members or managers of family companies based in the United Kingdom, and welcomes family firms of all sizes, sectors and stages of development. IFB also welcomes other key stakeholders who actively support the family business sector.

IFB acts as a forum for owners to network with their peers, and exchange best practice and knowledge at a national as well as a regional level.

IFB is the official UK chapter of the **Family Business Network** (see below).

Family Business Network (FBN)

Website: www.fbn-i.org/

FBN was founded in 1990 to be a worldwide association devoted to increasing the quality of leadership and management of family-owned enterprises. It is an independent, not-for-profit association that organises activities and provides educational and networking opportunities for family businesses. Today FBN has over 2000 members from 60 countries, including a chapter in the UK.

FBN was founded primarily for families who control their own business, including shareholders, managers/employees, successors, directors, as well as non-family managers.

Family Firm Institute (FFI)

Website: www.ffi.org/contact/index.html

The Family Firm Institute is a international professional organisation, based in the US, dedicated to assisting family firms by increasing the skills and knowledge of family business advisers, educators, researchers and consultants. The FFI provides educational and networking opportunities for its members, which span the entire spectrum of professionals who advise, study or work in family businesses. It also publishes *The Family Business Review*, a useful publication particularly for advisers.

