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Scott is the Managing Principal of Taxation Consulting at Crowe Horwath. Scott spent his early years in practice in the United Kingdom, Wellington, and Invercargill, before joining WHK in Dunedin as a taxation specialist in 1998, becoming the tax consulting principal in 2001. Scott specialises in corporate restructuring, business sale negotiation, and the taxation of land.



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