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I joined Burhill in 2018 in the freight forwarding team and soon after that the Young Forwarder's Network came on my radar.

The network is part of the British International Freight Association - or BIFA for short - and supports young individuals in their professional development through events, knowledge sharing, advice and visits. A lot of senior people, high up in the shipping industry are involved in supporting those in the network so there is a huge amount of knowledge and experience to tap into.

The network is made up of five regional groups and in 2022 I was asked by the CEO of BIFA if I would be interested in taking the role of Chair of the Anglia network. It was a bit daunting, but I thought it would be good thing for me to do. As Chair I am responsible for the Anglia committee, organising events and liaising with the other regional group chairs.

The network has opened doors for me with training and other opportunities and I have been involved with local schools advising on careers as I am so keen to show school leavers the range of viable career options in shipping.

Burhill has always been very supportive of my work and I have already progressed my career within the company a couple of times.

Moving from freight forwarding to being part of the Commercial Team and most recently taking a key role in marketing activity for the company.

I hope to progress with Burhill in sales and business development as I enjoy the customer-facing side of what we do, combined with the tangible side of sales where you can see in black and white the difference you are making to a company.

Without such a supportive company, manager and colleagues I may not have been able to achieve what I have in my career so far or aim for the ambitions that I have, while keeping work and life in balance.

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