

Christopher Liddell

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As chief financial officer, Christopher Liddell is responsible for leading Microsoft Corp.'s worldwide finance organization and overseeing accounting and reporting, strategic planning and analysis, treasury, tax, audit, and investor relations.

Before joining Microsoft, Liddell was chief financial officer at International Paper Co., the world's largest forest products company, where he was responsible for strategic planning, accounting, tax, treasury, risk management, pension plan and internal audit. Previously, he was chief executive officer of Carter Holt Harvey Ltd., New Zealand's second-largest listed company. He also has served as managing director and joint chief executive officer for CS First Boston NZ Ltd.

Liddell holds an engineering degree from the University of Auckland and a master of philosophy degree from Oxford University in England. He is a distinguished alumnus of the University of Auckland and served as chairman of Project Crimson, one of New Zealand's leading environmental protection groups.

Liddell and his wife, Bridget, have two sons. He is an avid sportsman who enjoys rugby, golf and tennis. He has completed a number of triathlons and served as both governor of the New Zealand Sports Foundation and director of the New Zealand Rugby Union.