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STEP's members work with families and family businesses, helping them with estate and succession planning, both domestically and

internationally, while protecting the interests of their spouses, children, and elderly or vulnerable relatives. Today, many families are spread across the globe. Estate plans must therefore comply with the tax and succession laws of various jurisdictions to ensure that estates and family businesses pass safely from one generation to the next.

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