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I have been covering global steel and steelmaking raw material markets for over 8 years. Started on the editorial side as a price reporter and editor, and later switched to the research team. To enhance my analytical skills, I have enrolled in the CFA Program and passed Level 1 exam in December 2019.

Personal characteristics

High attention to detail, good numeracy, passionate about commodity markets and data analysis, respect deadlines, quick learner.

Skills

R, Python, Git, MS Excel, MS Power Point;
strong analytical, writing, presenting skills;
data modeling, analysis, visualization;

Languages

English, Russian, Ukrainian, Spanish;

Education

Mar 2019 – Dec 2019
London

Passed CFA Level 1 (scored on 90th percentile)
(Dec 2019 exam)

Sep 2006 – Jun 2011
Dnipro

Institute of Economics of the National Mining University of Ukraine
Bachelor's (2010) and Master`s (2011) degrees in Management of
Foreign Economic Activity

Work experience

Fastmarkets (part of Euromoney Institutional Investor PLC)

Jul 2017 – now
London

Senior Analyst (Metals & Mining) at Fastmarkets Research

Leading fundamental market analysis and short-term forecasts of global ferrous scrap and iron metalics markets, contributing to iron ore and coking coal markets coverage, editing weekly and monthly steel raw material publications, mentoring junior colleagues, regularly presenting at industry conferences and liaising with clients.

Recent projects and achievements include:

- Working closely with the data science team to develop a granular short-term forecast for the US domestic scrap prices, detailing different grades and regions.
- Part of the work group developing a long-term econometric model for finished long steel per region.

Jul 2016 – Jun 2017
London

Team Leader at Metal Bulletin (*later rebranded to Fastmarkets*)
Managing a team of four people in a regional editor role, price reporting on European steel markets. Successfully led the team through a turbulent time of changes in management.

Oct 2013 – Jun 2016
Kiev, London

Price Reporter at Steel First (*later reintegrated into Metal Bulletin*)
Price reporting on the CIS, Turkey and Middle East & North Africa (Mena) steel markets, writing weekly reports, features and conducting interviews. Developed price coverage for a number of essential benchmarks, substantially widened contact database.

Metal Expert

Oct 2011 – Oct 2013
Dnipro

Market Observer
News and price reporting on Asian steel markets on a weekly basis, contributing to China's iron ore price forecasts. Successfully developed coverage of the Japanese steel market from scratch.