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ATI MEMBERSHIP BROCHURE 2023



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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY



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VISION

To be the clear leader in the provision of innovative professional accounting technician education on the island of Ireland that addresses the challenges of the future, builds a more diverse and active member community, and provides visible pathways for those who want to progress.

MISSION

To deliver innovative professional Accounting Technician education, and to represent and advocate for a developing Accounting Technician Community.

VALUES

Accessibility	We strive to create a culture of openness and belonging which is inclusive and representative of the diverse needs of our members, students and wider stakeholders
Agility	We embrace change and curiosity in our strategy, processes, and team behaviours so that we can improve, solve problems and be ready for new opportunities.
Collaboration	We exercise collaborative working, relying on the strengths of our wider community and partners to thrive and evolve together.
Courage	We welcome new ideas and question assumptions enabling us to champion success, have the freedom to take risks and to think big.
Relevance	We never stop learning and continuously look at how we can do better so that we can support the professional development of our members and students now and in the future, a life-long caring service.

These new values will support ATI's mission and vision and each business decision will be aligned with these new values as we work towards the goals and strategic priorities set out in ATI's Strategy 2024 - Shaping and Responding to the Environment.

ATI recently announced its 2-year partnership with Belfast-based specialist recruitment agency HireIQ. We are delighted to be working closely with HireIQ, an organisation which is at the forefront of specialist finance recruitment and sources top financial talent on behalf of businesses across Ireland. Hire IQ sponsored ATI's Business Roadshow in October 2022 and we're excited to explore further opportunities and provide career advice for members.

The needs of our members are changing and we will ensure that our offering supports you to be competent, confident and capable for the current and future work place. The Member Experience team has built on the successes of 2022 and we've placed students and members at the heart of programming in 2023.

With this in mind, I am very pleased to highlight a brand new certificate offering to affiliates, members and fellows, Professional Certificate in Data Management for Finance. This 12 week programme is ideal for members who feel they have areas of knowledge to upskill on. This commences in March and you'll find further information regarding this exciting programme in this brochure.

The weekly virtual CPDlive programme has been one of our biggest success stories and this year, our brand new CPDlive 2023 programme is spanning over 7 different streams providing you with over 30 hours free CPD hours to maintain your professional relevance.

The Institute understands engaging with fellow members is important both personally and professionally and this year, we would like to reinvigorate in-person events. Peer to peer networking has been an area that we unfortunately had to pull back on over the last two years. It's been an isolating time and has been difficult to stay in touch with members.

The Member Experience team is committed to delivering long term support to you to meet your professional and personal development needs this year and we thank you for your continued engagement.

Your Member Experience Team



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Membership Highlights			Other member benefits
Professional Development Programme	Progression Pathways	Enhanced Member Engagement	
A full suite of free 30 hours of continuous professional development via CPDlive along with CPDgo bites	Improve members' knowledge and awareness of the changes to the profession through the new Professional Certificate in Data Management for Finance	Meet your peers! A range of in person networking events through ATI's Re-Engagement Plan 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Access to subsidised training • Discounted affinity benefits • Employer recognition MIATI • Exemptions for further studies • Professional Network and Industry events • Access to Level 8 Technologist Degree Programme

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME 2023

This year we are delighted to launch our most extensive Professional Development curriculum yet.

Our weekly CPDlive sessions aim to keep you abreast of all the latest industry and business topics to our convenient online self paced CPDgo bites and longer 1 and 4 hour courses to our brand new Professional Certificate in Data Management for Finance designed specifically for our Members and Fellows who qualified pre 2020, there really is something to suit every member no matter what point you are at in your professional life.

The objective of professional development is to improve knowledge, understanding, skills and competencies, such that an individual is effective and efficient in a workplace environment.

For ATI members, the focus of professional development includes the following:

- Specialist knowledge of overarching principles, concepts and frameworks as they relate to accounting, taxation, business management and business law.
- Appropriate application of methods, techniques and analytical tools as they would be expected of members in relation to accounting, taxation, business management and business law.
- Ability to contribute and participate in the development and evaluation of business information systems with which members would typically work.
- Ability to interpret financial and non-financial data and to communicate effectively with stakeholders in the immediate and broader work environment.
- Understanding of what it means to work as a subject matter expert in a 'professional' work environment and an awareness of the ethical framework within which members undertake professional roles and responsibilities.
- In short, professional development ensures that members acquire and maintain the functional expertise required to carry out an occupational role successfully.

CPDLIVE 2023

Divided into 7 streams, this year's programme offers ample opportunities to acquire in-demand skills and competencies.

- Our CPD programme encompasses:
- Technical Refresh and Advancements
- Technology Trends
- Ethics and Regulatory
- Professional Skills
- Advanced Excel
- Tax NI
- Tax ROI

HOW TO BOOK?

ALL COURSES WILL BE AVAILABLE TO BOOK VIA THE WEBSITE EVENTS PAGE FROM JANUARY 2023. YOU CAN ALSO EXPECT A WEEKLY PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT EMAIL WITH ALL UPCOMING COURSES AND BOOKING LINKS.

CPDLIVE PROGRAMME 2023

Date	Time	Session Name	Stream	Provider
25-Jan-23	1pm	Business Planning	Professional Skills	Houghton Consulting
01-Feb-23	1pm	The Advanced Excel Hour 1 - Format your Data	Advanced Excel	IACT
15-Feb-23	1pm	The Advanced Excel Hour 2 - Daily Functions in Excel	Advanced Excel	IACT
22-Feb-23	1pm	Assertiveness Skills	Professional Skills	DCM Learning
01-Mar-23	1pm	The Advanced Excel Hour 3 - Data Tables	Advanced Excel	IACT
08-Mar-23	1pm	Preparing Management Accounts	Technical Refresh and Advancements	BBSNI
22-Mar-23	1pm	The Advanced Excel Hour 4 - Conditional Formulas and Logical Functions	Advanced Excel	IACT
29-Mar-23	1pm	VAT Update 2023 ROI	Tax ROI	Finance Training EU
19-Apr-23	1pm	The Advanced Excel Hour 5 - Lookup Functions	Advanced Excel	IACT
26-Apr-23	1pm	The Advanced Excel Hour 6 - Pivot Tables	Advanced Excel	IACT
10-May-23	1pm	NI Submitting your VAT Return	Tax NI	BBSNI
17-May-23	1pm	Networking Skills	Professional Skills	DCM Learning
24-May-23	1pm	External Audit	Technical Refresh and Advancements	John McCarthy Consulting
31-May-23	1pm	Visualising and Presenting Data	Professional Skills	Finance Training EU
14-Jun-23	1pm	Statutory Sick Pay	Tax ROI	IPASS
21-Jun-23	1pm	CGT Update 2023 ROI	Tax ROI	Finance Training EU
28-Jun-23	1pm	General Payroll Update	Tax ROI	IPASS
06-Sep-23	1pm	ROI Data Protection	Ethics and Regulatory	DCM Learning
13-Sep-23	1pm	Risk planning	Technology Trends	Naq Cyber
20-Sep-23	1pm	Incident Response Planning	Technology Trends	Naq Cyber
27-Sep-23	1pm	FRS102&105, updates and pitfalls	Technical Refresh and Advancements	John McCarthy Consulting
04-Oct-23	1pm	Data Protection NI	Ethics and Regulatory	Cyber Swiss Guard
11-Oct-23	1pm	Cyber Crime	Technology Trends	Cyber Swiss Guard
18-Oct-23	1pm	Managing your purchase ledger	Technical Refresh and Advancements	BBSNI
25-Oct-23	1pm	Cyber Security	Technology Trends	Cyber Swiss Guard
08-Nov-23	1pm	Conflict Management	Professional Skills	DCM Learning
15-Nov-23	1pm	NI Employment and Payroll Taxes	Tax NI	BBSNI
22-Nov-23	1pm	Ethics on the Job, practical case studies	Ethics and Regulatory	John McCarthy Consulting
29-Nov-23	1pm	NI Capital Gains Tax	Tax NI	BBSNI
06-Dec-23	1pm	Sustainability	Ethics and Regulatory	Houghton Consulting

Courses can be booked in advance via the website events section – you can also register via the weekly reminder emails.

CPDLIVE RECORDINGS

This year we are thrilled to announce that further development of the MyCPD tool will allow our members to view the CPDlive and Professional Development webinars on demand and have the completed CPD hour record to their MyCPD Dashboard.

This ensures that all members can avail of the full suite of CPD on offer at any time and meet their CPD requirements in a much more flexible manner.

All CPDlive Sessions and Professional Development Programme sessions will be recorded and available on demand approx. 1 week after the live webinar takes place.

The recordings can be purchased via your Touchpoint account in the online store. Once purchased instructions on accessing the recording will be sent via email.

The on demand CPD will record to your MyCPD dashboard only after the video is watched in full. The video can be paused and repeated but cannot be fast forwarded.

Recording Fees:

CPDlive Recording €15/£13 per recording

CPDGO 2023

In addition to our live offering, we provide 21 hours of self-paced options through our CPD partner provider, accountingcpd.net, accessed via your MyCPD portal. These include our weekly 15-minute CPDgo Bite on various topics including:

- Data Protection and Accountants
- How to Be Assertive
- The Costs of Outsourcing
- 5 Common Excel Errors and How to Fix Them
- Supply Chain Due Diligence
- Environmental KPIs
- Writing a Business Plan: The Role of the Accountant
- Choosing the Right Visualisation
- 9 Ways to Access Working Capital
- Accounting vs Financial Management

CPDGO 2023

New 1 Hour Courses for 2023:

- Why businesses fail?
- The Importance of Emotional Intelligence
- Boosting Your Credibility
- Professional Scepticism
- Value and Valuation

New Choice of 4 Hour Courses for 2022:

- Future of Finance: Digital Innovation
- Practice Excellence
- Practice Compliance
- Networking Building Relationships with Purpose
- Embracing and Driving Change

Please ensure that you have registered to access the CPDgo offering by logging into your Touchpoint account, launching MyCPD and selecting 'Online Accounting CPD and Bites' provided by accountingcpd.net

Additional CPD Available via this platform at discounted rates for ATI Members, they can be purchased via your accountingcpd.net profile accessed via MyCPD.

PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATE IN DATA MANAGEMENT FOR FINANCE

Raise your profile!

This year we are delighted to launch our brand new Member Programme designed specifically for members who commenced study prior to 2020.. This programme will update you on all of the major changes to the ATI curriculum that have occurred since you qualified making sure that your knowledge and expertise continue to be on a par with all seasoned members and new graduates alike.

The objective is to improve knowledge, understanding, skills and competencies, such that an individual is effective and efficient in a workplace environment.

This 12 module programme is perfect for all members who feel they have areas of knowledge to upskill themselves on. It is also essential if members who graduated pre 2020 wish to be eligible to sign up for the new ATI Level 8 Technologist Programme.

Content Overview

Professional Certificate in Data Management for Finance		
Module 1	Personal Effectiveness in the Workplace PART 1	Albert Gill
	Personal Effectiveness in the Workplace PART 2	
Module 2	Sustainability and Social Responsibility PART 1	Albert Gill
	Sustainability and Social Responsibility PART 2	
Module 3	The Evolving Technological Landscape for Accountancy Professionals	Barry Smith
Module 4	Data Management, Big Data, and Data Analytics PART 1	Barry Smith
	Data Management, Big Data, and Data Analytics PART 2	
Module 5	Introduction to Statistical Techniques PART 1	Barry Smith
	Introduction to Statistical Techniques PART 2	
Module 6	Practical Advanced Excel Case Study 1	Barry Smith
	Practical Advanced Excel Case Study 2	
	Practical Advanced Excel Case Study 3	

Delivery

New 1 Hour Courses for 2023:

- Twelve-week programme (1 hour per module) delivered by means of a Zoom Webinar
- Learning materials include reading material where necessary along with slides and worksheets where required

Highly Experienced Lecturers



Barry Smith

Barry Smith has been teaching accounting and finance at professional, postgraduate and undergraduate levels since 2001. He qualified as a Chartered Accountant in 1996 and also holds postgraduate degrees from University College Dublin (MEconSc) and the University of Birmingham (PhD).

Barry is a member of the ATI team that is currently developing the forthcoming Accounting Technologist programme.



Albert Gill

Albert Gill holds a Masters Degree and a Bachelors in Management from the Institute of Public Administration. He has been teaching Business Management on the ATI Course for the last twelve years.

He has been an eTutor for Business Management since 2017. He has extensive teaching experience in business management, business law, and accounting subjects. He is also a qualified life coach.

How to Book?

Professional Certificate in Data Management for Finance will be available to purchase via your touchpoint account from January 2023.

€300/£265

To register your interest in this programme, please email Ciara Crilly ccrilly@accountingtechniciansireland.ie

YOUR DISTRICT SOCIETY



Leinster Society Chair
John O'Callaghan



Ulster Society Chair
Micheál Meegan



Munster Society Chair
Emer Quinn



Western Society Chair
Mary Clarke



We'd like to take this opportunity to recognise the 10 year anniversary of the founding of our Munster and Western District Societies who today represent over 1,000 and 400 Members respectively. Thank you to our District Society Committee members over the years who have dedicated their time and expertise to harnessing the benefits of a local community and professional network.

The Munster society marked this occasion with an invitation to the Western society for a championship



rugby match at Thomond Park last November, Munster v Connacht. Munster were crowned winners on the day!

It was an evening of celebrations last December as the Western District Society marked the anniversary with festivities at the McWilliam Park Hotel in Claremorris, Co. Mayo, with Members joining from across the province.

Here's to the next ten years!



LEINSTER CHARITY EVENT

Braving the wind and rain, there was a fantastic turnout by Leinster District Society Members last October for the #GreatPinkRun in aid of Breast Cancer Ireland. Leinster District Society Chair, John O'Callaghan, led the ATI contingent and joined 4,000 participants at Leopardstown Racecourse on the day, raising important funds and awareness for the charity



ULSTER CHARITY EVENT

Well done to ATI President, Micheál Meegan, and our Ulster District Society Members who turned out for the Belfast Memory Walk in September in aid of the Alzheimer's Society. Accounting Technicians Ireland was honoured to be able to sponsor Micheál who raised a total of £840 for this worthy cause.

BUSINESS ROADSHOW

President Micheál Meegan led the Institute's first Northern Ireland Roadshow earlier this autumn, meeting with a number of businesses and organisations including Belfast Met, EY, Invest Northern Ireland, Southern Regional College, KPMG Ireland and FPM Accountants. The two-week roadshow concluded on a high with a special Member 'Build your Brand' event in partnership with recruitment specialists, HireIQ. There was a great mix of students, affiliates, members and employers at this event which led to plenty of engagement.



MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

ATI has connected and partnered with a range of companies to bring members those extra benefits. Areas of focus is to provide extra supports and services, lifestyle and business benefits to you. Here's a sneak peek at what's on offer to you



SUPPORTS AND SERVICES

- Free Accountancy Ireland magazine bi-monthly
- Monthly member enews
- Over 50 hours of free CPD



LIFESTYLE

- Reuzi.ie **20% off all products**
- The Flower Factory **20% discount**
- The Hilton Belfast **20% off food & 10% off B&B rates**



BUSINESS BENEFITS

- DCM Learning, **15% off any course**
- Business Plus magazine, **20% discount**
- Hire IQ **5% off** your recruitment costs

For a full listing of available benefits, please check out our [website](#)

COMING SOON

New Accounting Technologist Qualification

The skills and know how that are required of Accounting Technicians are changing at a rapid pace – it is extremely important to maintain our skills and remain of value in the workplace

- How can we be more effective individuals in the workplace?
- What is the connection between personal development and being a more effective team member in the workplace?
- What do we need to know as Accounting Technicians about the sustainability agenda and social responsibility?
- As Accounting Technicians, what do we need to know about the rapidly changing technological landscape?
- What are 'big data' and 'data analytics' about and why should I care as an Accounting Technician
- What are the fundamentals of statistical techniques that are increasingly relevant to the work of Accounting Technicians?
- How can I improve my Excel skills and use them in practical ways to address real-world type issues?

If some or all of these topics are of interest, then you should consider the brand new Accounting Technologist programme.

Prerequisites: Members who graduate pre 2020 must complete the full Professional Certificate in Data Management for Finance (12 modules) in order to be eligible to apply for the **ACCOUNTING TECHNOLOGIST DEGREE PROGRAMME**.

PROGRESSION PATHWAYS AND TRAINING PLANS

AFFILIATE MEMBER REGISTERED 2021, 2022

- 1) Complete Record of Work Experience and Member Application (deadline X) OR Complete ATI WPP
- 2) Become a Member
- 3) Complete 15 hours of CPD Annually
- 4) Register for Level 8 Technologist Programme

AFFILIATE MEMBER REGISTERED PRE 2020

- 1) Complete Record of Work Experience and Member Application (deadline X) OR Complete ATI WPP
- 2) Become a Member
- 3) Complete 15 hours of CPD Annually
- 4) Complete Member Refresh Programme
- 5) Register for Level 8 Technologist Programme

MEMBER & FELLOW POST 2020

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INSTITUTE EVENTS

ATI TECH DAY 2023

Join us in 2023 for our annual Tech Day, a deep dive into the ever evolving world of accountancy and technology and be awarded CPD hours for attending. ATI's Tech Day will take place on 17th of May 2023. This event has grown in strength over the past two years and will continue as a virtual event. This will continue as a virtual event.

[Click here to view last year's highlights.](#)

AGM

As a member, we call on you to attend the AGM which takes place each June to support your Institute. This is an opportunity to meet the Officer Group and take a look back at ATI's successes and to hear from the the incoming President of the Institute's plan throughout their term.

40TH CELEBRATIONS

This year is a special year for ATI as we are marking our 40th year. This is an important milestone which ATI would like to celebrate with its members and students throughout 2023.

CONFERRAL CEREMONIES

The graduation ceremonies have also been a highlight in our calendar year and we are delighted to return to in person in 2023. The graduation serves as a moment in time where we come together and celebrate the academic achievements of our graduands and to confer membership and fellowship.

DISTRICT SOCIETY ENGAGEMENT EVENTS

The Chairs of each society have been working tirelessly to create an engaging programme to re-connect the community. Please keep your eye on the events page of the website.



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