CEO's welcome: Looking forwards

Welcomes



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We were delighted to welcome almost 300 delegates, speakers and sponsors at our inaugural Tax Technology Conference on 4 June at the ICC Birmingham. The event was packed with insight, innovation and important conversations. From the future of AI in tax to the roll-out of Making Tax Digital for income tax, the conference showcased how rapidly our profession is changing. On pages xx and xx, we reflect on what it all means for the future of tax.

On 26 June, we welcomed new members of the ATT, prize winners and their guests to our latest admissions ceremony, held at the elegant 113 Chancery Lane in London. With over 200 attendees, it was a fantastic celebration of the vibrant future of the tax profession.

This month brings the results of the May examinations. We wish all our students the very best of luck. Your hard work and dedication have brought you this far, and we look forward to seeing many of you at our next admissions ceremonies as newly qualified members.

Gaining your ATT or CIOT qualification is only the beginning, though. Our members know that staying up to date is essential, and CPD is mandatory for both the Association and the Institute. Ongoing learning is what keeps our profession sharp, relevant and ready to meet the challenges of an evolving tax landscape.

For those who want to get up to date with the latest developments in capital taxes, ATT technical officer Helen Thornley will be presenting at the ATT's third all member session on 24 September. If you are an ATT member, keep an eye on your weekly updates for registration details. If you're a CIOT member, why not consider taking out joint membership – there are lots of benefits. In addition to free webinars, you will receive Tolley's Tax Guide, Whillans Tax Tables, an annotated copy of the Finance Act and a mouse mat with all the latest rates and allowances. See the full list of benefits at: tinyurl.com/4dtvfm5n.

On Wednesday 9 July, Simon York, former HMRC Chief Investigation Officer, will deliver the CTA Address at RSA House, London and via live stream. Please register at: www.tax.org.uk/ctaaddress2025. The CIOT Autumn Residential conference in Cambridge is 19 to 21 September, and you can find the full programme at: www.tax.org.uk/arc2025.

June was a bumper month for consultation responses with many of the Spring Statement and Tax Update, Simplification, Administration and Reform (TUSAR) day announcements requiring submissions. For a full lists of all the responses, see www.att.org.uk/technical/submissions, www.tax.org.uk/submissions/1 and www.litrg.org.uk/submissions.

Finally, as part of our ongoing mission to promote public understanding of tax, we're calling on our members to help bring tax into the classroom and highlight the rewarding careers the profession offers. Right now, many young people are leaving school with little to no understanding of tax, and this is something that affects them throughout their lives. While HMRC has created some excellent educational resources, many teachers feel unsure about how to use them, often due to their own limited knowledge of tax.

That's where you come in. Your expertise can make a real difference. By supporting local schools and teachers, you can help demystify tax for students. To show you how easy it is to get involved, Emma Rawson (Director of Public Policy) and Steven Pinhey (Technical officer) will be hosting a short, engaging webinar on Thursday 31

July, from 12:00 to 13:00. They’ll explain how you can use your knowledge to support teachers, inspire students and contribute to a more tax-aware future generation.

This initiative is led by the ATT, but we warmly welcome members from both the Association and the Institute. Find out more at: tinyurl.com/ncn2c9r8. Let’s work together to put tax on the curriculum!