ATT’s new leadership team

Briefings



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ATT has announced its new leadership team for 2025-26.

Graham Batty will advance from Deputy President to take over from Senga Prior as President, while Barry Jefferd will move up from Vice President to become Deputy President. The new Vice President will be Eleanor Theochari. The new team take up their posts at the ATT AGM on 10 July.

Now retired, **Graham Batty** is a former Associate Director at RSM, where he specialised in the taxation of charities and other not for profit bodies. Graham qualified as a chartered accountant in 1983 and became a member of CIOT in 1986. He became a member of the Association in 2005, joined ATT Council in 2012 and was appointed a Fellow in 2015. He was previously President of ATT in 2017-18. He is Vice Chair of the Examination Steering Group and also serves on the Audit and Risk Committee and the Policy Review Group. He is a former Chair of both the Leeds and Birmingham and West Midlands Branches. Graham is also a Parish Councillor for his local village.

Barry Jefferd is Senior Partner with George Hay. He advises on the complete range of taxes, although he particularly enjoys capital gains tax, inheritance tax, and property and land transactions. Barry became an ATT member in 2009 and joined Council in 2021. He chairs the Examination Steering Group and is a former chair of Mid-Anglia Branch. Barry trained with a City of London practice where he qualified as a chartered accountant and a Chartered Tax Adviser. He is also a member of the Society of Trust & Estate Practitioners.

Eleanor Theochari is a Corporate Tax Adviser, specialising in R&D Tax Credits. She leads the R&D tax function as a Partner at Blick Rothenberg, where she is responsible for overseeing the delivery of all clients' R&D claims. Ele became a member of CIOT in 2020 and a member of ATT in 2023. She joined ATT Council in 2023 and also serves on the Joint Professional Standards Committee. Ele was a finalist in Tolley's Taxation Awards 2022 and 2023 in the Taxation's Rising Star category, and was awarded a coveted place in the 2022 Accountancy Age's 35 under 35.