Newsletter - Summer 2016

CIAT Republic of Ireland Centre (C2)



Welcome . . .

Update from the Centre Chairman & Councillor Denise Germaine MCIAT



aspirATion Group

aspirATion Group is an exciting new initiative targeting students, recently qualified graduates and aspiring Architectural Technology professionals to raise awareness of the Institute, the discipline and the position it holds in the industry. The Group will encourage CIAT membership and engagement with peer groups within the industry in their formative years within the discipline.

The Terms of Reference of the newly established CIAT aspirATion Group are as follows:

- Provide a focal point for the Institute's activities and objectives with respect to all Future AT Professional members..
- Maintain a dialogue between the aspirATion Group and the Institute's other Groups and Committees regarding any issues that may affect Future AT Professional members and to ensure that Future AT Professional members are not adversely affected by any of these issues.
- Raise awareness of Institute activities, objectives and constitutional processes.
- Increase the potential for participation among current AT students.
- Increase awareness of the Institute to potential Future AT Professionals and other associated professionals.

For more information on joining the aspirATion committee or if you would like to find out more information about the Republic of Ireland aspirATion Group, please contact Acting Chair Matthew Weir ACIAT (matthew@ferreira.ie).

Important News - QQI Award

The QQI, (Quality & Qualifications Ireland), has now published the National Standard for Architectural Technology. This now prepares the way for the establishment by the Department of the Environment, Community and Local Government of a Statutory Register of Architectural Technologists, which will enable registered Architectural Technologists to act as Design and/or Assigned Certifiers under the Building Control (Amendment) Regulations.

As you are probably aware, CIAT, with the support of the Department, has established a voluntary register of competent Architectural Technologists (ATR). Chartered Members of CIAT are entitled to register with the ATR free of charge, whilst those in the process of achieving Chartered Membership may register their intention to join. At this crucial point in the process, it is essential that all Architectural Technologists who wish to progress effectively in their career are represented by their professional Institute and I urge all CIAT members to prevail upon their unaffiliated Architectural Technologist colleagues in the country to lend their support by joining their professional Institute and registering on the ATR. Visit the website; www.architecturaltechnologistsregister.ie.

I would also like to take this opportunity to make you aware of the new qualifying process called the MCIAT Professional Assessment. The process recognises the diverse nature and background of Architectural Technology professionals. The Professional Assessment is designed to allow applicants with sufficient relevant experience, operating in any area of the architectural technology profession, an opportunity to demonstrate their knowledge, professionalism and competence within their sphere/s of activity. Please visit our website for further information on the joining or qualifying process by clicking on the following links: <u>Join CIAT</u> <u>Professional Assessment</u>

Centre Committee

The Centre Committee has co-opted John Scanlon, MCIAT onto the Committee. John has attended his first Centre Committee Meeting held on 23 April. At this meeting, the Committee elected Gillian Fletcher MCIAT and Brian Davies MCIAT as the two voting delegates to attend the CIAT AGM in Southampton in November.

Upcoming Events

On Wednesday 15 June, CIAT Republic of Ireland Centre will have a stand at the National Construction Industry Summit Conference to be held in the RDS, Dublin. Brian Dempsey MCIAT, of Waterford Institute of Technology will make a presentation at the Conference. This is an all day event – come along and visit your Centre's stand and lend your support.

Technical Sub-committee

Under the Chairmanship of Gillian Fletcher MCIAT, the Technical Sub-Committee meets monthly to review regulations, legislation, to prepare and make submissions in response to Public Consultations and to publish technical information in AT for Irish members. William Power MCIAT has just been co-opted onto this Committee.

The Committee Chairman has written to the new Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government, Simon Coveney TD, regarding industry concerns as to the effects S.I. 387 (Part V - Social Housing) has on the planning process. The Chairman has also written to the Minister requesting that the Building Control Regulations and all their subsequent amendments be consolidated into one comprehensive document.

The Technical Committee notes the publication of a guidance document; "Fire Precautions in Designated Centres for Older People" by HIQA in February 2016, as well as "National Standards for Residential Care Settings for Older People in Ireland 2016", which comes into effect on 1 July 2016.

$CPD \ Update \ \text{with Christophe Krief (CPD Officer)}$

On 6 April, a joint CPD event was held with the CIOB (Chartered Institute of Building) in DIT. The topic was Building Regulations Part E – Sound with speaker Chris Dilworth BEng CEng MIEI MIOA who is an Acoustics Engineer and Director (Acoustics) of AWN Consulting.

On 15 April, a joint CPD event was held with Region 15, Northern Ireland, at the Saint Gobain Training Centre in Clondalkin. This was a full day event, with lunch provided – the subject being Fire and Acoustic Detailing and Performances of Internal Dry Lining/ Partitioning Systems. There were approximately 30 members in attendance, split almost equally between Region 15 and Centre 2.



Benevolent Fund

Members may not be aware that CIAT maintains a benevolent fund on behalf of the Republic of Ireland Centre. This fund currently stands at over €5,500.00. Any member who experiences genuine financial or other hardship may apply to the Institute's Operations Officer, David Cheddie, at CIAT Head Office, 397 City Road, London EC1V 1NH for a donation from the fund.

Upcoming Events

Part E Compliance & Separating Sound Solutions

Date: 14 June 2016 Location: Saint-Gobain Technical Academy, Unit 4 Kilcarbery Business Park, Nangor Road, Dublin 22. Time: 6:00pm- 8:00pm Further Information: Email: chris@ckarchitecture.ie

National Construction Summit 2016: Dublin

Date: 15 June 2016 Location: RDS Dublin Entry: Free of Charge

BIM Masterclass & Technical Workshop: Co. Dublin

Date: 6 July 2016 Location: Royal Marine Hotel, Dun Laoghaire, Co. Dublin. Further Information: See <u>CMG Events</u>

Certified Passive House Consultant & Designer -Dun Laoghaire

Dates:

8-9 September, 14-16 September plus online & exam, 8 October Location: Mounttown Community Facility Meadowlands, Fitzgerald Park, Lower Mounttown Road, Dun Laoghaire, Co. Dublin Further Information: See Passive House Academy

Selfbuild & Improve Your Home Show: Dublin

Date:

9-11 September 2016 Location: Citywest Conference Centre, Saggart, Dublin. Further Information: See <u>Selfbuild.ie</u>

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