



Welcome

From the Centre Chair
William Cotter MCIAT

COVID-19 | CIAT Information and Advice for Members

The health and safety of our members, staff and clients is our main priority and CIAT is closely monitoring the Government's advice regarding the COVID-19 (Coronavirus) outbreak. The Institute is working hard to ensure that CIAT is still operating and supporting its membership during this period of uncertainty.

We strongly recommend regularly familiarising yourself with the information provided by the Government and the HSE. Information on COVID-19, the symptoms and how to protect yourself can be found on the [HSE website](#). Useful advice on **Business Continuity Planning** including a **Checklist of Preparatory Actions** in responding to COVID-19 can be found on the [Department of Business, Enterprise and Innovation](#) website.

The management of COVID-19 is an emerging situation and we recommend to monitor the websites above for the latest and most accurate information. If you require any further information or advice, please do not hesitate to contact us at info@ciat.org.uk - we will continue to do all we can to support our Members in this period.

For **self-employed members** who are unable to work from home or have stopped trading due to the pandemic, it is possible to avail of the **COVID-19 Pandemic Unemployment Payment** - a new social welfare payment of €350 / week. You can now apply for the payment online at [MyWelfare.ie](#)

Important Update on the Architectural Technologists Register (ATR)

Progress is ongoing and the Register will now operate in a robust manner so that the Department and the Minister may make the necessary changes to the primary legislation to establish the Register as a Statutory Body, enabling **Registered Architectural Technologists** to act as **Design and Assigned Certifiers** under **BC(A)R 2014**.



We have identified a number of professionals in the construction industry who are willing to accept positions on the various boards required to administer the **ATR**. In total, we require 17 non-Architectural Technologists for these positions. Members are again urged to assist the process in a positive manner by identifying colleagues and acquaintances who are not Architectural Technologists yet hold relatively senior positions in the construction industry and who would be willing to accept a position on one of the four Boards / Committees as below. Please advise Centre Chair, Liam Cotter MCIAT, of their names and qualifications at liam@cmgarchitects.ie.

Board / Committee	AT Members*	Non-AT Members**	Chair (Minister's appointee)
Admissions Board	3	4	1
Technical Assessment Board	3	4	1
Appeals Board	2	3	1
Conduct Committee	5	6	1
Totals	13	17	4
*Note	The AT Board members will be appointed from the Chartered Membership of CIAT		
**Note	The non-AT members, although not stipulated in the Building Control Act 2007, should be other professionals or persons who are familiar with the Construction Industry		

The number of Architectural Technologists registering on the **ATR** is increasing slowly, along with persons registering their Intention to Register. It is essential that all CIAT members prevail upon their unaffiliated Architectural Technologist colleagues to assist CIAT in gaining the appropriate recognition for our profession by joining CIAT or registering on the ATR. Visit the website; www.architecturaltechnologistsregister.ie.

Please visit our website, ciat.ie for further information on the joining or qualifying process by clicking on the following links: [Join CIAT](#) [Professional Assessment](#)

Centre Committee 2019 - 2021

The **Centre Committee** is delighted to welcome the following members who were co-opted onto the Committee at its recent meeting on 15 February 2020: Patrick Clarke MCIAT, Irene Hayden MCIAT and Pat O'Hara MCIAT.

The Committee, which meets physically three times a year, usually in the greater Dublin area, is as follows:

Chair / Treasurer	Liam Cotter MCIAT
Vice-Chair	Denise Germaine MCIAT
Secretary	Paul Condron MCIAT
Councillor / Education Officer	Michael O'Keefe MCIAT
CPD Officer	Christophe Krief MCIAT
Membership Officer	Brian K. Davies MCIAT
Practice Officer	Sean Ryan (profile candidate)
Public Relations Officer	Patricia Mulvey MCIAT
aspirATion Chair	' <i>Vacant</i> '
Committee Member	Jim Kirwan PPCIAT MCIAT
Committee Member	Niall Culleton MCIAT
Committee Member	Andrew Swarbrigg MCIAT
Committee Member	Patrick Clarke MCIAT
Committee Member	Irene Hayden MCIAT
Committee Member	Pat O'Hara MCIAT

We welcome expressions of interest in joining to Centre Committee which should be advised to the Secretary, Paul Condron MCIAT, by email to padco449@gmail.com.

Contact details for members of the **Centre Committee** can be found on the Republic of Ireland page of the CIAT website.

Technical Sub-Committee Update

Following years of dedicated service to the **Republic of Ireland Centre (C2)** and CIAT, **Gillian Fletcher MCIAT** has stepped down as **Chair** of the **Technical Sub-Committee**. We are grateful for her contribution and her decision to remain as a contributing member of the **Technical Sub-Committee**.

We're also glad to confirm that **Gerry O'Neill MCIAT** has assumed the role of **Chair** of the **Technical Sub-Committee**.

We welcome expressions of interest in joining this important Sub-Committee which should be advised to the Chair, Gerry O'Neill MCIAT, by email to goneill@mcorm.com.

Public Consultations

A paper in response to the release of **Places for People: National Policy on Architecture** - a discussion document seeking public submissions on a proposed National Policy on Architecture, spear-headed by **Christophe Krief MCIAT**, was submitted by **CIAT Republic of Ireland Centre (C2)** prior to the original deadline of the 31 January 2020.

Furthermore, a detailed submission in response to the public consultation on **TGD L - Parts 1 and 2, Conservation of Fuel and Energy**, was made on 4 March 2020 to the Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government.

Professional Indemnity (P.I.) Insurance

McParland Finn Insurance Brokers, trading as CIAT Insurance Services, are finalising arrangements for a 'no-deal' **Brexit**, with both a Dublin based Insurer and Insurance Broker.

Kevin McParland has confirmed that the interests of Republic of Ireland based Members covered on the CIAT Professional Indemnity Insurance Scheme will be fully protected through this challenging period and beyond.

Upcoming Events

Due to COVID-19 (Coronavirus), all events have been effected in some manner, either cancelled, postponed or delivered online.

The following are the updates we can provide together with some options for online CPD to meet your annual obligation.

National Construction Summit

Date:

22 October 2020

Location:

Sport Ireland Complex, Blanchardstown

Further Information:

See [National Construction Summit](#)

Home Performance Index - Webinars

Date:

1 April & 8 April 2020

Location:

Online - Webinars

Further Information:

To register, see [IGBC.ie](#)

CIAT - CPD Register

Date:

Any

Location:

Online - Information Sheets, Webinars and Articles

Further Information:

See [CIAT CPD Register](#)

CIOB Academy - Courses & CPD

Date:

Any

Location:

Online - Webinars

Further Information:

See [CIOB Academy.org](#)

Building Design - CPD Articles

Date:

Any

Location:

Online - Articles

Further Information:

See [BDOnline.co.uk](#)