



Welcome

From the Centre Chairman
William Cotter MCIAT

Important Update on the Architectural Technologists Register (ATR)

In January, **Chief Executive**, Francesca Berriman MBE, **Membership Director and ATR Registrar**, James Banks, and **Republic of Ireland member and former Vice-President**, Martin Meehan MCIAT met with officials of the **Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government** to discuss the Register for Architectural Technologists. Excellent progress was achieved and CIAT will now move to set up a shadow register which will operate in a robust manner. Once the Department and the Minister are satisfied with the operation of the shadows Register, they will proceed to 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 the BC(A)R 2014.

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Members are encouraged to assist in the process in a positive manner by identifying colleagues and acquaintances who are not Architectural Technologists but do hold relatively senior positions in the construction industry and would be willing to accept a position on one of the four Boards / Committees. The following Boards / Committees are required to administer the shadow **ATR** in an ongoing manner: Admissions Board, Technical Assessment Board, Appeals Board and Conduct Committee

Meanwhile, it is essential that all CIAT members lobby their colleagues in the associated built environment professions and bodies and their local TDs to lend their support for the establishment of a Statutory Register of Architectural Technologists and to 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** for the term 2019 - 2021, which was elected at the Centre's General Business Meeting on 18 May 2019, is as follows:

Chairman	Liam Cotter MCIAT	Membership Officer	Brian K. Davies MCIAT
Vice Chairman	Denise Germaine MCIAT	Practice Officer	Sean Ryan (profile candidate)
Secretary	Paul Condron MCIAT	PR Officer	Patricia Mulvey MCIAT
Councillor	Michael O'Keefe MCIAT	aspirATion Chair	'Vacant'
Treasurer	Liam Cotter MCIAT	Committee Member	Jim Kirwan PPCIAT
CPD Officer	Christophe Krief MCIAT	Committee Member	Niall Culleton MCIAT
Education Officer	Michael O'Keefe MCIAT	Chair of Technical Sub-Committee	Gillian Fletcher MCIAT

Michael O'Keefe MCIAT, Centre Councillor, is automatically a member of the Centre Committee until the end of his term of office in November 2020.

There are currently two vacant positions on the committee and expressions of interest in joining 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.

aspirATion Group

Niamh Delaney has unfortunately resigned as Chair of the aspirATion Group due to personal commitments. This post is now open to all members. Expressions of interest, together with personal statements, should be sent to **Anna Karaivanova, Education Administrator**, via email to anna@ciat.org.uk.

A separate budget is available to this Group for the arrangement of social and educational events and to advance the promotion of Architectural Technology.

Republic of Ireland Centre General Business Meeting 2019

The **General Business Meeting** took place on Saturday 18 May 2019 in the Maldron Hotel, Newlands Cross, Dublin. Despite positive developments with the ATR, there was an underwhelming attendance of 24 members which included the Centre Committee. Papers were circulated beforehand and officers spoke to their reports on the day. The Centre Committee was re-elected en bloc and the various officers were appointed by the committee in a separate meeting following the GBM.

Members were elected to represent the Centre at the various upcoming events as follows: **Voting Delegates to AGM 2019** - Denise Germaine MCIAT, Gillian Fletcher MCIAT and Liam Cotter MCIAT; **Region, Centre and aspirATion Summit** - Patricia Mulvey MCIAT and Paul Condron MCIAT; and **AT Awards 2019** - Patrick Clarke MCIAT.

The **ATR** was discussed at length with Chairman, Liam Cotter MCIAT, providing an update on discussions with the Department, the step to the **ATR** being made a shadow Register and requesting the assistance of members in identifying suitable industry professionals to take board positions. He highlighted that there will be a fee for registrants to join the Register prior to it becoming statutory to demonstrate its viability to the Department. While there were questions from the floor, the mood was very positive and supportive. It is hoped there will be further updates in the coming months regarding costs and timeline.

The **GBM** was followed by two CPD Presentations organised by our CPD Officer, Christophe Krief MCIAT. We were delighted to have **Raymond Reilly MCIAT** of Quinn Building Products present on **'nZEB Made Easy - A Fabric First Approach'**. He was followed by **Riccardo Pasquali** who presented on **'Ground Source Heat Pumps'**. With the publication of the new TGD Part L imminent, both presentations were timely and generated questions and debate. Particular thanks to Raymond Reilly and Quinn Building Products who provided refreshments to all CPD attendees following the GBM.

Region / Centre and aspirATion Summit synopsis and photos by Patricia Mulvey MCIAT

Further to their election as representatives at the General Business Meeting in May, Paul Condron MCIAT and Patricia Mulvey MCIAT had an early start on Wednesday 12 June to attend the **Region/Centre and aspirATion Summit** in the Hilton Metropole at Birmingham Airport, UK.

The day began with an address from the **Chairman and President, Alex Naraian PCIAT**, welcoming delegates from across the UK Regions as well as the Irish and Europe Centres.

The first item on the agenda was a presentation by **Prof. Sam Allwinkle PPBIAT** regarding the **Membership Grade Review**. It is proposed to withdraw Technician and Profile candidate statuses and to introduce Affiliate, Fellow (FCIAT) and Honorary Fellow (HonFCIAT). This is generally in line with memberships within other construction organisations. It is proposed that Profile candidates be amalgamated into Affiliate status and Technician members to be transferred to Associate or Affiliate, or progress to Chartered Members.



Chairman and President, Alex Naraian PCIAT opens the Summit.



President Elect / Vice-President Practice, Eddie Weir MCIAT presenting on the Procurement Process within Public Bodies.

A vote will take place at the **AGM** in Glasgow in **November 2019** and a two thirds majority will be required to pass the motion.

Eddie Weir MCIAT, President Elect/Vice President Practice, made a very passionate presentation regarding **Procurement Process within Public Bodies**. Quite often, there is an incorrect use of titles within these documents which automatically excludes Architectural Technologists from tendering. A document titled **'Open & Fair Competition in Procurement'** has been produced and will

soon be published and distributed to Councils in the UK. However, here in Ireland, the **ATR** will need to be up and running prior to any discussions with our own Public Bodies.

Alex Naraian PCIAT, President, and **Francesca Berriman MBE, CEO**, gave updates of key initiatives including the continuing work on the ATR and the establishment of the register as a Statutory body.

Following lunch, an Open Session got underway with an interesting discussion with all Regions and Centres given time to speak regarding:

- Recruitment of new members to the aspirATion group
- How the Region/Centre Committee engages with the wider membership and how successful they are
- How members successfully engage with other industry professionals
- CPD structure and the success or demise of the events



Technical Sub-Committee Update

The new **Technical Guidance Document F - Ventilation (2019)** was published on Friday, 21 June 2019. It is available on the **Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government** website [[CLICK HERE](#)]. There are **transitional arrangements** which can be found on page 4 of the document.

The document has been released with a supplemental guide for persons installing fixed ventilation systems in new and existing dwellings - **Installation and Commissioning of Ventilation Systems for Dwellings - Achieving Compliance with Part F 2019**.

The **Minister for Housing and Urban Development**, Mr. Damien English TD, has announced a public consultation on his intention to provide additional guidance to **Technical Guidance Document B - Fire (2006)** in relation to open-plan flats and extended corridors in buildings containing flats. Closing date for receipt of submissions is no later than 5:30pm on 23 August 2019. For further information, [CLICK HERE](#).

Honorary Officer Elections 2019

For the effective operation of any professional body, it is essential that it elects positions from amongst its membership to allow it to function within its Charter. This year, there are three positions for election: **Honorary Secretary, Vice-President Education and Vice-President Practice**. The candidates are now on the campaign trail up to the **Election Date** at Council on **7 September 2019**. Their manifestos can be found on the [website](#) and also in the **AT Journal Summer 2019 (Issue 130)**.

To advise the CIAT ROI Centre on your preference (if any), please email ROI Centre Councillor, Michael O'Keeffe MCIAT at mike_okeeffe87@yahoo.com before **9 August 2019**.

Education Update with Michael O'Keeffe (Education Officer)

Following the **Architectural Technology: Professional Insight (AT:PI)** tour to the Institutes of Technology in early 2019, I.T. Carlow Architectural Technology Programme Director, Dan O'Sullivan, reached out to collaborate on the End of Year AT Exhibition Launch on 3 May 2019. I seized this opportunity and was able to secure **Joe Fallon MCIAT**, as the opening speaker. His practice, **Joe Fallon Design** has recently been shortlisted for two awards including **Architectural Practice of the Year 2019**. On the run up to the launch, Joe received a guided tour AT course and got the opportunity to meet the students and see the projects they were completing.

On the day of the launch, Joe welcomed all and began by alluding to his guided visit earlier in the week and the vast difference in course content since he studied in Pearse College, Dublin. He noted the use of BIM technology as well as sustainability standards BREEAM and LEED, emphasising that these new graduates will become experts in their field and respected as such.

Joe finished by highlighting the three areas Architectural Technologists enter the workplace; employed within an Architectural Practice or Department, Technical Consultant / Specialist or, like himself, Private Practice. He encouraged all students to embrace challenges with confidence in their underlying skillsets honed during their studies.



Joe Fallon MCIAT with I.T. Carlow BSc. and BSc. (Hons) Architectural Technology Programme Directors



Joe Fallon MCIAT speaking at IT Carlow for the launch of their End of Year Architectural Technology Exhibition.



Joe Fallon MCIAT and Dan O'Sullivan, AT Programme Director, viewing one of the student exhibits.

Upcoming Events

PSDP Course - Cork & Dublin

Date:

Dublin: 19, 20 August 2019
Cork: 21, 22 August 2019

Location:

Cork: Chris Mee Group, Little Island
Dublin: Parkway Business Centre, Ballymount

Cost:

€690.00

Further Information:

Two day training programme.
See [Chris Mee Group](#)

Selfbuild Live - Dublin

Date:

13 - 15 September 2019

Location:

Citywest Conference Centre, Dublin

Further Information & Tickets:

See [SelfBuild.ie](#)

AT Awards 2019

Date:

13 September 2019

Location:

Village Underground, 54 Holywell Lane, London EC2A 3PQ

Tickets:

£82.00 (£72.00 CIAT Member, £50.00 CIAT Student Member)

Further Information:

See [CIAT AT Awards](#)

Certified Passive House Consultant / Designer & nZEB - Dublin

Date:

16 - 20 September 2019, plus online & Exam, 11 October 2019

Location:

Sheldon Park Hotel, 131 Kylemore Rd. Inchicore, Dublin D12

Cost:

€1200 plus Exam Fee: €350

Further Information:

See [Passive House Academy](#)

Irish Planning Conference

Date:

25 September 2019

Location:

Talbot Hotel, Stillorgan, Co. Dublin

Cost:

€395 +VAT (Early Bird - limited)
€495 +VAT (Normal Rate)

Further Information:

Content and advice will relate to all involved directly or indirectly in the planning process.

See [CMG Events](#)