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# Excellence in Taxation

Working for a better tax system



# About Us

**The CIOT is a registered charity and the leading body in the UK for taxation professionals dealing with all aspects of taxation. Our primary purpose is to promote education in taxation. One of our key aims is to achieve a more efficient and less complex tax system for all.**

Founded in 1930, the CIOT achieved charitable status in 1981 and was granted its Royal Charter in 1994. We are a member of the Confédération Fiscale Européenne (CFE), the umbrella body for taxation advisers in Europe.

Membership of the CIOT is by examination and members are entitled to use the CTA designation Chartered Tax Adviser (CTA). We promote and enforce high standards of professional conduct and support over 20,000 members and over 7,000 students throughout their tax careers. We work with a global network of branches with 700+ volunteers.



# CIOT impact 2024



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WWW



**4.8m**

LITRG website  
views

**150+**

consultation  
responses



## Public voice

**308** quotations in mainstream media

**99** journalists spoken with

**141** citations in parliament

**70k** views of our 'tax explainers'

## Making the tax system better



**HMRC** – Helpline cuts reversed following reactions from CIOT and others.



**Non-doms** – Improvements secured to government reforms, including temporary repatriation plans.



**SDLT** – first-time buyer relief defect corrected thanks to CIOT representations.



**Service levels** – extensive research study with ICAEW and 31 member firms to inform engagement with HMRC.



**Self assessment** – LITRG convinces HMRC to make it easier to download paper forms.

## Branches & events

**11,633**

event and debate registrations

**200+**

branch committee members

## Membership

**91%** of CTA students  
join in 2 years

**4,064** CTA students

**2,000+** ADIT completers

**20,193** members

**173** new DITT graduates

**688** new members



# Our strategic aims





We deliver excellence in education. With membership by examination, we are nationally recognised as the benchmark of UK taxation education and development.

We promote high standards of training for tax advisers, designed to not only meet the demands of today, but also the needs of the future market.

And drawing on the expertise of our professionals and thought leaders, we represent a strong voice in the sector, informing debate and working for a better tax system for all.

## A strong voice in tax

We are a prominent voice in the public debate on tax, drawing on our members' expertise to suggest improvements to tax policy and administration. We publish information and guidance to increase public understanding of tax, and work with HMRC and others in pursuit of our goal of a simpler, clearer tax system.

## Value to employers and the public

CIOT qualifications open doors for our members, helping shape and broaden their careers. We help employers to support, develop and grow their tax teams, safe in the knowledge that their employees are professionally accredited and recognised for their skills, knowledge and experience.

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*The CTA qualification is an important investment in the development of our people, and we are proud to support both the qualification and the broader work of the CIOT.*

**Adam Powell**  
**Tax Partner, Deloitte**



# Excellence in education

The CIOT has developed professional tax qualifications. These qualifications and courses provide flexible and accessible learning with different routes to suit candidates' knowledge requirements. Tuition is delivered through our education partners with study options to suit everyone, from classroom learning to self-study. Our qualifications include:

## **Chartered Tax Adviser (CTA) qualification**

We offer the highest-level tax qualification in the UK. The CTA designation is recognised and respected internationally as a mark of technical excellence and professional integrity. Open to anyone with an interest in the tax profession, the CTA qualification is accessible to everyone.

[www.tax.org.uk/CTA-stand out](http://www.tax.org.uk/CTA-stand-out)

## **Advanced Diploma in International Tax (ADIT)**

ADIT is the leading qualification for international tax practitioners. It is an advanced level designation in cross-border tax, a highly respected international tax learning programme, with 3,800 students in over 120 countries worldwide. [www.tax.org.uk/adit](http://www.tax.org.uk/adit)



## **Diploma in Tax Technology (DITT)**

DITT is our dedicated qualification for those wanting to gain knowledge and expertise in tax technology. The qualification provides a foundational understanding of tax and technology, improving confidence in an increasingly digitised tax landscape.

[www.tax.org.uk/ditt](http://www.tax.org.uk/ditt)

## **AI for Tax short course**

This course is a gateway to learning for those who are eager to explore the fundamentals of Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Generative AI (GenAI). It delves into the latest trends, and the risks associated with implementing AI in tax.

[www.tax.org.uk/ai-for-tax](http://www.tax.org.uk/ai-for-tax)

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*The CTA qualification trains you to digest and retain an enormous amount of information and apply it to various situations in the most optimal way. It elevates your analytical skills, problem solving skills and attention to detail. These competencies are needed not only in tax but in many careers.*

**Toyin Oyeneyin**  
**Tax Product Specialist,**  
**Octopus Investments**

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# Impact on policy and society

## Improving public understanding

The Institute's objectives include creating "a well-informed public opinion on taxation". To achieve this, we inform public debate via the media, publish information for taxpayers, engage with politicians and policymakers, and provide forums for the discussion of tax policy.

## Improving tax policy

We draw on the expertise of our members to work for a better, more efficient, tax system for all affected by it – taxpayers, their advisers, and the authorities. Our aims include greater simplicity, clarity and certainty, so people can understand how much tax they should be paying and why, as well as responsive and competent tax administration.

## Low Incomes Tax Reform Group (LITRG)

People on low incomes need their taxes to be as simple as possible. As an educational charity we work to help unrepresented taxpayers through our Low Incomes Tax Reform Group. This is fulfilled by providing free, comprehensive online guidance and by working to make the tax and associated welfare systems fairer and more accessible.

Find out more about LITRG [www.litrg.org.uk](http://www.litrg.org.uk)



## Lifelong learning and CPD

We support our growing membership with lifelong learning and development through our active global branch network. This community consists of over 700 CIOT volunteers who deliver an annual programme of events including professional skills training, webinars and networking opportunities across the UK and beyond.

## Professional Standards

CIOT members must follow fundamental principles and standards of conduct as a tax professional. By ensuring our CIOT members adhere to these requirements we help to protect the public interest and provide confidence in the tax profession.

We support our 20,000 strong members through their careers as Chartered Tax Advisers, from studying to retirement and as volunteers. We are committed to providing excellence – in tax education, increasing public understanding of tax matters, and simplifying the tax system for everyone.

**Find out more about CIOT [www.tax.org.uk](http://www.tax.org.uk)**

