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# **Advanced Diploma in International Taxation**

## **Principles of International Taxation Module**

STI Taxand has been ranked "Tier 1" by the International Tax Review

**T**he Advanced Diploma in International Taxation (ADIT), awarded by the UK Chartered Institute of Taxation (CIOT), is an advanced level designation in cross-border tax. Designed by a board of world-leading experts, it has been created to provide the robust foundation in international tax that today's professional needs to stand out from the crowd. ADIT offers you much more than advancing knowledge and technical expertise, it's designed to help you build the career you're truly passionate about. You will develop the confidence you need to advise clients, lead teams and influence the profession.

- **Grow your knowledge:** Through a series of professionally focused exams, you will develop the skills necessary to apply tax law to complex scenarios to solve problems and demonstrate your ability to give practical advice to clients. You will grow as a professional, ready to take the next steps in your career.
- **Build your professional identity:** By becoming an International Tax Affiliate after you've qualified, you are demonstrating your commitment to upholding the highest professional standards, highlighting your technical expertise and dedication to your career.
- **Develop your career:** Affiliates and students will receive tailored access to ADIT relevant roles and international tax job opportunities around the world, developed in partnership with ACCA.

For more information on the benefits of pursuing ADIT, [click here](#)

## Qualification structure

To achieve the ADIT qualification, students are required to sit the Principles of International Taxation module plus two further modules chosen from the Jurisdictional or Thematic options (an extended essay may be completed in place of one of the optional modules).

- The qualification is in modular form and is awarded when all stages have been completed.
- All modules may be sat at one examination sitting over three days or separately.
- The entire qualification must be completed within five years.
- Exams held twice a year. All modules are examined each June. The most popular modules are also examined in December.
- Each exam is 3 hours plus 15 minutes reading time, in length.
- The pass mark for each paper is 50% and results are released in August and February.

For more information on the benefits of Qualification structure, [click here](#)

## Online Exams

To provide flexibility to ADIT exam candidates, ADIT exams are delivered online and can be sat anywhere in the world.

Sitting online exams, you'll use a purpose-built exam application, Exam4, on your laptop or desktop computer. You will be able to download Exam4 four weeks before your exam, and practice using it with a past ADIT exam paper. On exam day, you will sit the exam at a location of your choice, such as your home or office. When you complete your exam entry, we will still ask you to specify where you plan to sit your exams as this will determine your local start time. You will need to select your location from the list of cities on the exam entry form or, if your location is not listed, select 'Other' and email us at [education@adit.org](mailto:education@adit.org) to let us know where you plan to sit your exams.

For more information on how to manage your exams, [click here](#)

| MANDATORY MODULE                                  |                  |
|---|------------------|
| PRINCIPLES OF INTERNATIONAL TAXATION              |                  |
| CHOOSE ANY TWO                                    |                  |
| AUSTRALIA   | INDIA            |
| BANKING   | IRELAND          |
| CHINA   | MALTA            |
| CYPRUS  | SINGAPORE        |
| ENERGY  | SOUTH AFRICA     |
| EU DIRECT TAX                                     | TRANSFER PRICING |
| EU VAT  | UNITED KINGDOM   |
| HONG KONG   | UNITED STATES    |
| EXTENDED ESSAY ON A TAX SPECIALISM OF YOUR CHOICE |                  |



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## ADIT Registration Fees payable to CIOT:

- **Student Registration fee:** £242
- **Exam entry fee (per exam)\*:** £222
- **Extended Essay registration fee:** £222
- **Cooling off period** If your situation changes, you may cancel your ADIT registration within one month of the date you submitted your application. You will be refunded via your payment method, minus a £15 administration fee. To cancel your registration, you must inform CIOT in writing.

*\*Exam entries received during the late entry period will subject to an additional £100 late fee.*

For more information on how to register as a student, [click here](#)

## Certificates

A **full ADIT Qualification Certificate** is issued automatically and free of charge to each student who successfully achieves the ADIT qualification, upon completion of the student's final exam. In addition, ADIT students to demonstrate expertise in the subject (s) examined may apply for a:

- **Modular Certificate** if they have passed both the Principles of International Taxation module and any one of the sixteen available option modules.
- **Standalone Certificate** if they have passed either Principles of International Taxation or one thematic option module (Transfer Pricing Module).
- The fee for each standalone certificate is £60, including special or courier delivery by CIOT.

For more information on certificates, [click here](#)

### Key Dates for June 2025 ADIT exam session:

- **3rd of March 2025:** Student registration deadline
- **17th of March 2025:** Exams registration deadline (entries received after this date are subject to £103 late entry fee)
- **31st of March 2025:** Final date for late entries
- **10-12th of June 2025:** Exams take place
- **21st of August 2025:** Notification of results via email

## PRINCIPLES OF INTERNATIONAL TAXATION

This module gives you the required breadth of knowledge, skills and understanding of international tax, based on the OECD Model Tax Convention and UN Model Double Taxation Convention, that you need to succeed in your career. Your learning will cover in detail key international tax issues, with particular emphasis on residence, double tax conventions and treaty interpretation, transfer pricing, the work of the OECD and the UN, and international tax avoidance.

For more information [click here to download the brochure](#)

## Course Dates/Timings

**Start date:** February 22nd 2025

**End date:** May 31st 2025

**Time:** 9am to 1:30pm

**Sessions:** 12 weekly sessions – Saturdays

**Session Duration:** 4.5 hours

**Total Duration:** 54 hours

**Location:** Live Online courses

## Course Fee

**Course fee:** AED 14,500

**Fees paid to the Chartered Institute of taxation for registration and examination:** GBP 242 (once off) and GBP 222 (per exam) respectively are not included in the course fee

**Payment method:** Online

25% discount for CUR Students, Faculty and Alumni

25% discount for early registration

(up to 31 January 2025)



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# Course Dates/Timings

| Day                             | Date       | Time           | Live-Online |
|---------------------------------|------------|----------------|-------------|
| Day 1                           | 22/02/2025 | 9:00am - 13:30 | Live-Online |
| Day 2                           | 08/03/2025 | 9:00am - 13:30 | Live-Online |
| Day 3                           | 15/03/2025 | 9:00am - 13:30 | Live-Online |
| Day 4                           | 22/03/2025 | 9:00am - 13:30 | Live-Online |
| Day 5                           | 05/04/2025 | 9:00am - 13:30 | Live-Online |
| Day 6                           | 12/04/2025 | 9:00am - 13:30 | Live-Online |
| Day 7                           | 26/04/2025 | 9:00am - 13:30 | Live-Online |
| Day 8                           | 03/05/2025 | 9:00am - 13:30 | Live-Online |
| Day 9                           | 10/05/2025 | 9:00am - 13:30 | Live-Online |
| Revision Phase ( live - online) |            |                |             |
| Day 10                          | 24/05/2025 | 9:00am - 17:00 | Live-Online |
| Day 11                          | 31/05/2025 | 9:00am - 17:00 | Live-Online |

# Tutors

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## Christos A. Theophilou

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Partner STI Taxand,  
International Tax and  
Transfer pricing

**Christos** is a distinguished tax expert, providing tax advisory services to both private and corporate clients on intricate international tax and transfer pricing issues. His expertise encompasses cross-border investments, private equity structuring, structured finance, intellectual property structuring, and international trade. Christos holds an MSc in Tax Law from Oxford University, a Bachelor's degree in Economics, and an LLB Law. He is a Chartered Accountant in England & Wales and has obtained the Advanced Diploma in International Taxation (ADIT) from the UK Chartered Institute of Taxation. Christos is a prolific contributor to various esteemed international tax publications, including IBFD, Tax Notes International, Bloomberg Tax, International Tax Review, Edward Elgar, and IFA. Christos is a member of the Tax Policy and Strategy committee of the ICPAC. Christos also serves as a freelance lecturer for Tolley's (LexisNexis) and IBFD, where he lectures on ADIT Paper 1: Principles of International Tax, ADIT Paper 3: Transfer Pricing, and Pillar 2. He is a frequent speaker at international tax conferences, sharing his extensive knowledge and insights with the global tax community.



## Demis Ioannou

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Partner STI Taxand,  
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**Demis** specialises in corporate income tax law, transfer pricing and international tax (treaty) law. He has a strong track record with clients in advising on transfer pricing issues and in complex corporate tax law issues. His extensive interest on comparative income tax law (US, UK, Canada and Australia) offers him a unique advantage in solving complex tax issues. Demis received his Master of Laws (MSc) in Tax Law from Oxford University. He was trained from a Big4 company and holds a first-class Bachelor's degree in Accounting and Finance from the UK, as well as being a qualified Chartered Accountant in England & Wales. He holds an LLB Law. Demis' dissertation in Oxford focuses on analysing the OECD BEPS Project and was supervised by Richard Collier a senior tax advisor of the OECD on transfer pricing issues. In addition, he published a paper for the Cambridge Tax Law History Conference edited by Professor Peter Harris (University of Cambridge) on income tax fundamentals and the origins of the Cypriot income tax law. Demis is a co-representative for IFA (YIN) in Cyprus.



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