



recognition of excellence

CIPFA Employer Accreditation Scheme

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As the experts in public financial management, we understand that your organisation's training and development needs are constantly evolving. Our employer accreditation scheme recognises your strong commitment to the professional development and training of staff and reinforces a key message to all your stakeholders.

Gaining CIPFA accreditation enhances your organisation's reputation as one that is progressive and forward-thinking by ensuring high levels of competency throughout your workforce. As a result you are more likely to increase staff retention and become more attractive to prospective employees.

Applying for accreditation is easy and the scheme is free to join.

Benefits

- **Recognition of excellence:** The award sends out the right signals to all key stakeholders. Whilst ensuring you have highly competent staff, a good professional development scheme will increase employee motivation and engagement and help you build, develop and retain your finance team.
- **Complimentary support:** As an accredited employer you will benefit from comprehensive support and advice from CIPFA's Employer Relations team.
- **Employer newsletter:** Sharing ideas of best practice and keeping you up-to-date with news on professional training and development.
- **Easier Members' CPD submissions:** All CIPFA Members within your organisation will be exempt from supplying working papers for CPD submissions saving valuable time.
- **Discounted rates*** on taught courses at CIPFA Education and Training Centre.
- **Preferential rates*** on CIPFA Business products and services.

* Offers applicable to Platinum accredited employers only. Terms and conditions apply.

‘CIPFA Employer Accreditation is a great tool in demonstrating to all stakeholders that we have the best expertise in our team to emerge from the cuts with a great organisation, in great shape, to take on the challenges of the future’

Mike Suarez, Executive Director of Finance and Resources. London Borough of Lambeth



Levels of Accreditation

There are two parts to CIPFA Employer Accreditation: **Training** and **Continuing Professional Development (CPD)**. Based on a successful application, your organisation will be awarded one of the following levels:

Platinum (requires Training and CPD)

Platinum accreditation is the highest level of award; recognising excellence. It is awarded to those employers demonstrating best practice, having integrated policies for training CIPFA students and also successfully implementing internal staff development programmes to aid continued professional development.

Accredited – Training

Accreditation can be awarded for Training only. It is suitable for employers who have integrated policies for the training of CIPFA students only with no formal approach to CPD.

Accredited – CPD

Accreditation can be awarded for CPD only. This is suitable for employers who have implemented staff development programmes for CPD only with no formal approach to training CIPFA students.

How to apply

Applying for accreditation is a quick and straightforward process, with no costs involved. You are welcome to apply even if you have no formal training policy in place, or only have very few CIPFA students and/or members working in your organisation.

Organisations must complete and submit an application form. You can apply online at www.cipfa.org.uk/accreditation or request a hard-copy.

All successful applicants will receive a certificate to display and have full use of the CIPFA Employer Accreditation logo.



Contact us

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