



# *Angela Caldara BSc FCA DipCII*

## *ACIS*

**Business Appointment:** Educational Services-Taxation-Compliance. BB Securities Ltd

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### **Personal introduction:**

I am a science graduate, KPMG trained, with a practicing certificate.

I previously worked in financial services with international companies, and now have a portfolio of clients, plus a few non remunerated directorships in non-financial companies.

I qualified for my practicing certificate whilst working in corporate recovery.

I started work as a regulator in the insurance market where the motto was “My word is my bond”, then moved to internal audit for an international bank.

I transferred to finance when dealing with the implementation of a new computer system to meet the challenge of Y2K. After that it was dealing with daily, monthly, annual financial reporting and then specialising in the preparation of VAT and CT returns. The latest development being DAC 6 and MTD.

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### **Your involvement with ICAEW:**

I first became involved with the ICAEW when I took part in the creation of a new exam: the case study paper. Since then I have been involved in the training of accountancy students. It is very rewarding to be able to coach students, on a one to one basis as well, to pass their final hurdle and become chartered accountants. The students are our future and it is important that we nurture them and instil in them the key principles of the profession: ethics and integrity. These two are key topics in the final exam.

I have been a judge of BASE (the ICAEW’s National Business and Accounting competition for youngsters 16-17),

I regularly take part in projects to provide information as to what a qualified accountant expects from the Institute.

## **Motivation and ability to be a member of Council:**

I first became a Council member in 2013, when I saw the Council vacancy being advertised and I thought that, having benefited from being a Chartered Accountant during my early working life, becoming a Council member was an opportunity to give something back to the Institute.

I have also been a member for eight years of the "Finance Committee", "Standards Committee" and "Audit Committee" for a Local Authority: I learned excellent transferable skills which have served me well on the ICAEW Council.

I understand what it is like to be a permanent / temporary employee, a self-employed contractor, a sole practitioner and a volunteer. I have been all of them! I think I can empathise with the majority of my constituents.

Not being at the start of my professional career, I have more time and no vested interests, so I can dedicate myself altruistically for the benefit of my constituents.

## **Strategic focus:**

I very much believe in the Ethics of the institute: integrity, objectivity, being professional..., however, times are changing quickly and we need to adapt, without compromising Ethics. Artificial intelligence and data specialists can make our work easier by removing the routine element, but we need to exercise judgment and objectivity to ensure that the results make sense. An enquiring, scientific mind helps! Globalisation is our "present" and we have to adapt to it without compromising standards: e.g. ethics. We must spread the word! ICAEW has endorsed the UN's Sustainable Development Goals. This is at odds with "Bigger is better". We have to ensure that our Institute is diverse to be able to adapt to the various aspects of future economies. London, in particular, is a "micro cosmos".

I have gained a varied work experience in London and can emphasise / advise / engage with the chartered accountants in London.

Being a member of two other professional institutes enables me to have an insight into other professional institutes and their "problems".

## **Communication with members in your constituency**

I am a member of the London Society of Chartered Accountants (LSCA), serving on the Executive Committee and the Main Committee. I also serve as a committee member for the West London Chartered Accountants (WLCA) and attend events as much as possible, Covid permitting! These activities give me opportunities to interact with ICAEW members in London.

I am a member of local societies and attend events, both social and technical. When I speak with my fellow chartered accountants, I refer to my membership of Council and I encourage people to let me know if there is anything I can do to help as a Council member.

Communicating with other members is currently difficult in view of being able to attend only virtual events. Luckily, we have other means of communications! Hopefully, life will get back to normal!

I would like to thank those members who have voted for me in the past! I will be grateful if you could vote for me again!

**Nominators**

- Victoria Andrew
- Robin Darbyshire
- Colin Harris
- Vivien Thomas
- Anzo Francis

## *Declaration of interests which are relevant to the business of ICAEW*

Membership of, or interests in, formal bodies or groups, including other professional bodies <sup>i</sup> :	Dip CII – Chartered Insurance Institute ICSA -now the Chartered Governance Institute WCCSA - Liveryman
Membership of ICAEW Council, ICAEW Boards and other ICAEW committees:	Council member LSCA – Main Committee, Executive Committee WLCA - Treasurer
Partnerships, Directorships or beneficial interests in companies:	Lambton Court (Management) Ltd – Director and Secretary Attic Theatre Company (London) Ltd - Director Minima Yacht Club Limited - Director
Professional or social relationships with individuals who have business relationships or who compete with the ICAEW:	None
Any other matters you feel should be identified:	None

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<sup>i</sup> This includes employment by a professional body.