

ACCA - Association of Chartered Certified Accountants

PwC's Academy

The Academy is the educational institute of PwC. Beside of training courses on various professional topics, we bring our clients in Slovakia internationally recognised certifications and qualifications of leading professional organisations such as the **ACCA, CIMA, PMI, and CIPD**.

The Academy's mission is to develop the future leaders that companies need to succeed in the global marketplace by providing internationally recognized professional qualifications, aligned with business and soft skills training.

Benefits of your ACCA studies

- Know-how which demonstrates that you have reached an industry standard in terms of competence.
- Networking with other students and members.
- Continuous development.
- Unified syllabus updated in close cooperation with employers.
- Wider competencies in taxation, consulting, strategic planning, general management.
- Competitiveness in the labour market.



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ACCA Competence Framework



The Academy

The ACCA Professional Qualification

ACCA qualification at a glance

- On average, students complete the ACCA qualification in 4-5 years.
- Holders of a relevant qualification may be exempted from the ACCA exams.
- The first 3 exams are computer based and you can pass them throughout the year at our accredited centre.
- Paper-based exams can be taken twice a year in June and December, at the same time worldwide and with the same content.
- Students need a minimum of three years relevant work based on practical experience before becoming chartered certified accountants.



Benefits of ACCA studies with The Academy

Block courses with **experienced tutors**, all members of the ACCA, with 20 years of experience in providing consultations and training in almost every paper.

Quality study materials by **Kaplan Publishing** with on-line access to additional materials and own **PwC course notes**.

Administration support during each step of your study (registration process, communication with ACCA representatives, registering for relevant exams, advice on your study plan).

Authorised **centre for computer based exams** (F1, F2, F3, F4) in **Bratislava** and **Košice**.

CPD points for ACCA members; our students can gain Continuing Professional Development (CPD) points for attending training and seminars at our Academy.

Pass rate of The Academy students is **significantly higher** than global average.

The highest ACCA award of learning providers: **Platinum Approved Learning Partner**.



1 April 2014 – 31 March 2015

The Academy's ACCA offerings

- **ACCA Qualification**
- **Foundations in Accountancy (FIA)**
The FIA is the set of entry – level awards developed by the ACCA, with the needs and expectations of employers in mind.
- **ACCA Diploma in IFRS (DipIFR)**
DipIFR is an international qualification within IFRS developed by the ACCA. Obtaining this qualification will raise your professionalism in IFRS to the next level.

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Study DipIFR in 2015

ACCA Diploma in IFRS

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Why ACCA Diploma in IFRS (DipIFR)?

International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) is a major issue for most companies and finance professionals. Over 90% of the world's leading economies either require IFRS or are converging with it, so few companies can afford to ignore the need for their staff to understand IFRS and its implications for their business and financial reporting.

The ACCA Diploma in IFRS (DipIFR) is an international qualification within IFRS developed by the leading professional accounting organisation, the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA). Obtaining this qualification will raise your professionalism in IFRS to the next level.

Who is the DipIFR for?

This programme is intended for professionals working in accounting, audit and finance who want to gain an internationally recognised qualification in International Financial Reporting and broaden their knowledge of the theoretical and practical aspects of IFRS.

What will you gain?

- Deep knowledge and understanding of the main principles of IFRS.
- IFRS reporting skills, including the consolidation of financial statements.
- Practical application of IFRS.
- Practical experience with preparing IFRS financial statements.
- The course is a combination of lectures, discussions and examples.



DipIFR - ACCA Diploma in IFRS Year 2015

Duration and structure

DipIFR course	Spring 2015	Autumn 2015
Part I	12 – 13 March	10 – 11 September
Part II	26 – 27 March	24 – 25 September
Part III	20 – 22 April	21 – 23 October
Revision course	13 – 15 May	11 – 13 November
Mock exam	28 May	26 November
Official exam	9 June	11 December
Deadline for submitting registration documents	16 February	17 August

The course fee includes

- 10 days of workshop courses.
- Study materials developed by PwC experts.
- A comprehensive study plan for the final exam.
- Advisory support of trainers for the period of the training course up to the exam.
- Mock exam marked by your DipIFR dedicated tutor and returned to the students with recommendations.
- Registration and administration support provided by the Academy team.

In 5 years more than 220 students have studied DipIFR qualification with the Academy.

How to book your place

Please complete the registration form on our website www.pwcacademy.sk/registration and member of the Academy team will contact you.

Prices

Early registration

(until 11 February/9 August 2015)
EUR 1,290 + VAT

Standard registration

EUR 1,510 + VAT

Exam fee: GBP 211 + VAT

It is also possible to complete three-day-long **revision course** at price of 345 EUR + VAT

Please ask us about group discounts.

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ACCA: Foundations in Accountancy - FIA

ACCA (Association of Chartered Certified Accountants) is the global body for professional accountants with 154,000 members and 432,000 students in over 170 countries. It has a network of 83 offices and centres.

Foundation in Accountancy (FIA) is the set of entry - level awards developed by the ACCA, with the needs and expectations of employers in mind. FIA offers various entry points, allowing maximum flexibility to select the most appropriate entry route and progression to upper levels, based on previous qualifications, experience and further career aspirations.

In line with current best practice and to meet the recommendations of the International Federation of Accountants, a Professionalism and Ethics Module has been included.

Advantages for the employer

Talent development

The FIA will help your organisation reach new talent pools in the labour market, such as school leavers and career changers, and enable you to identify the key talents within the company.

Reputation

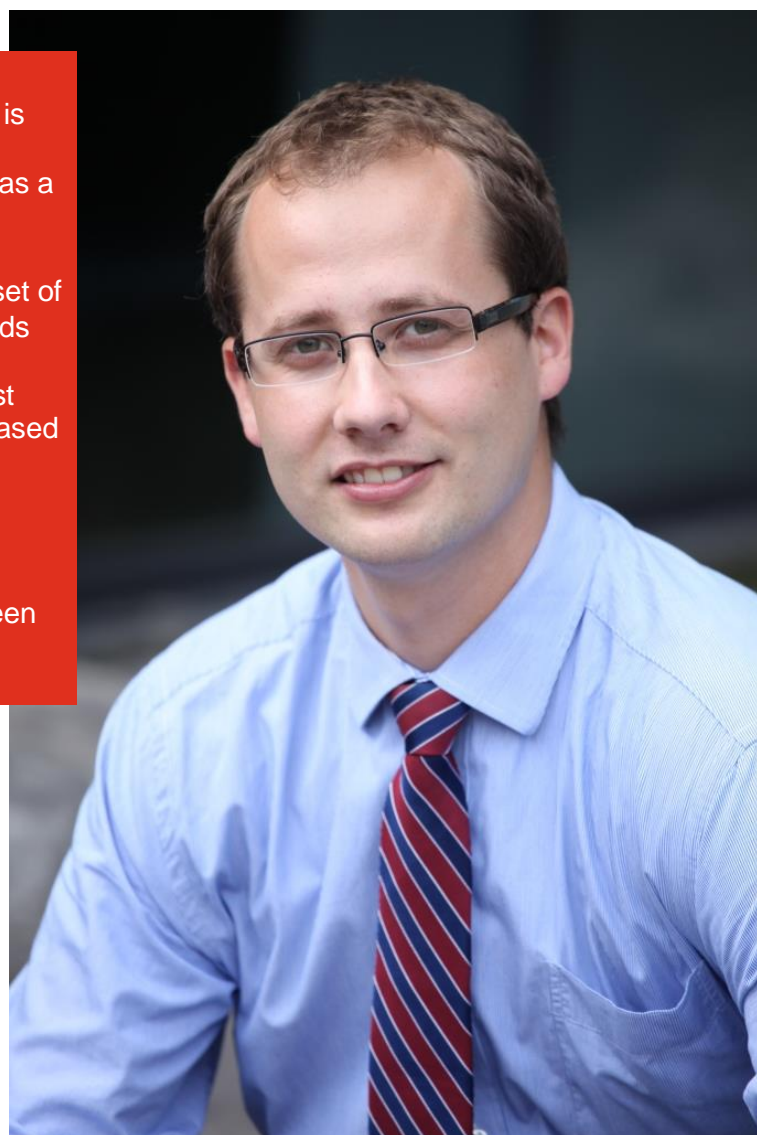
An internationally recognised professional qualification will send a positive signal to prospective employees, and the modular system of the FIA enables the design of a specific curriculum for different employees or job roles.

Cost control

It is neither necessary nor efficient to have qualified professional accountants within all financial positions in the company. The FIA helps you to optimise costs and achieve better and earlier returns on training investments and to develop specific skills necessary to perform a specific function, in particular for junior positions.

Development of essential finance skills across the organisation

Non-financial managers must have a good grounding in finance and accounting techniques in order to make effective business decisions – the FIA can provide this.



Professionalism and ethics

Part of the FIA study is to complete the ethics module called Foundation in Professionalism, which will ensure that your staff demonstrate professional behaviour towards clients and respect a code of ethics in the workplace.



ACCA: Foundations in Accountancy - FIA

	<i>Maths Self Check Module</i>		<i>English Self Check Module</i>
Introductory level	FA1 Recording Financial Transactions	MA1 Management Information	Introductory Certificate in Financial and Management Accounting
Intermediate level	FA2 Maintaining Financial Records	MA2 Managing Costs and Finances	Intermediate Certificate in Financial and Management Accounting
Diploma	FAB (F1) Accountant in Business	FMA (F2) Management Accounting	FFA (F3) Financial Accounting
Foundations in Professionalism module			



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Exams

The FIA exams are all CBE (computer based exams), and students can sit them at any time in our accredited CBE centres in Bratislava or Košice. The test duration is 2 hours and results are known immediately.

Exemptions

Students with the relevant qualification from a recognised institution may be eligible to claim exemptions from FIA papers. To be awarded the FIA Certificate or Diploma, it is necessary to pass at least one exam at the respective level and the online Foundations in Professionalism module.

Study Materials

The Academy uses Kaplan Publishing learning materials. Each set includes a Text Book, an Exam Kit and Pocket Notes. In addition, the Academy tutors have developed Course Notes, which contain key information, additional articles, examiners' reports and examples of past exam papers.

Administration Support

The Academy provides administrative support throughout the study, including exam enrolment, communication with tutors, registration guide, providing information about results as well as providing comprehensive reports to management.