# Successfully supporting bookkeepers for over 40 years









#### Welcome to the International Association of Bookkeepers.

We've been supporting our members throughout their careers since 1973 and have a strong membership across the UK.

In the following pages we have laid out all the various benefits you can receive as a member, plus, discounted courses on our IAB Blue Online Learning Platform, including AML support too.

I would also like to invite you to one of our online coffee mornings which we host twice per month (details further in this pack) where Sarah Palmer our COO (a successful bookkeeper in her own right) and myself are there to answer any questions you may have and where we can also get to know you too.

We also have a very active private Facebook group which you'd be welcomed to join if you decide to become a member, plus our Ambassador groups across the whole of the UK where other members support each other and is another great resource for you.

The IAB is proud to support bookkeepers across the UK and if you decide to join us, you would receive a very welcome.

To your onward success

Janet Jack CEO IAB

# For bookkeepers, run by successful bookkeepers.

The International Association of Bookkeepers is a membership organisation and awarding body providing qualifications in bookkeeping, payroll and finance to members worldwide.

Our aim is simple – raising the bar of bookkeeping both in the UK and abroad – by creating a global community of aspirational, entrepreneurial, highly-qualified and successful bookkeepers and finance professionals.

We offer accredited training, support and continuing development from the beginning of a student's journey and throughout their career. This includes flexible, Ofqual-regulated qualifications, continued professional development and frequent regulatory updates



"The IAB has supported me as a bookkeeper, turning what I do for myself into a strong business."

Jennifer Barker - Digital Bookkeeping

As an IAB member, you'll have access to **weekly support**, including twice-monthly live **Q&As** with the main directors, both successful bookkeepers in their own right, giving you the help you need every step of the way. We also provide **AML supervision**.

Your membership also gives you access to a TAX & VAT helpline worth over £3,500.

Being part of the IAB family means your business and career will go from strength to strength.

## Memberships start at just £100.

With qualifications regulated by Ofqual, the IAB is a statutory supervisory body under the Money Laundering Regulations. Setting world-class standards, it offers students worldwide the chance to gain the very best financial qualifications – as well as lifelong skills. **The IAB is also a professional body for bookkeepers.** 

"The IAB is truly **a global credential** and gave me a broader perspective into **the world of bookkeeping.**"

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### **Decades of best practice**

Founded in 1973, the IAB is both an awarding and professional body. Today, celebrating over 40 years of success, it not only offers a host of regulated bookkeeping and business qualifications, it supports and regulates professionals on their career path.

With membership attracting students, business owners and accounting professionals alike, the IAB's sights are on the future – helping members maintain their skills and respected status.

#### **Setting standards**

At the forefront of benchmarking, the IAB works with government as well as standard setting bodies to promote the professional integrity of bookkeepers.

Under the UK Money Laundering Regulations, the IAB is a statutory supervisor – ensuring members in practice comply with the law. Alongside this, it also plays a key role in developing national qualifications too.

#### **Promoting new opportunities**

Young people and start-up businesses need a helping hand – the chance to gain skills and move ahead. The IAB supports many initiatives to make this happen.

Small businesses can easily find a bookkeeper through the service provided on the site with listings of qualified bookkeepers across the UK.

# "...would not want to run my organisation without their support and guidance. It is priceless."



"I joined the IAB in 2007 and the IAB have guided and supported me throughout my bookkeeping journey. Being regulated by them has enabled me to keep up to date with all the legislative requirements, ensure my record keeping is GDPR compliant, and has provided me with the weight to get new and old clients to comply with my business requirements. I have always found them helpful, approachable, friendly and knowledgeable and would not want to run my organisation without their support and guidance. It is priceless."

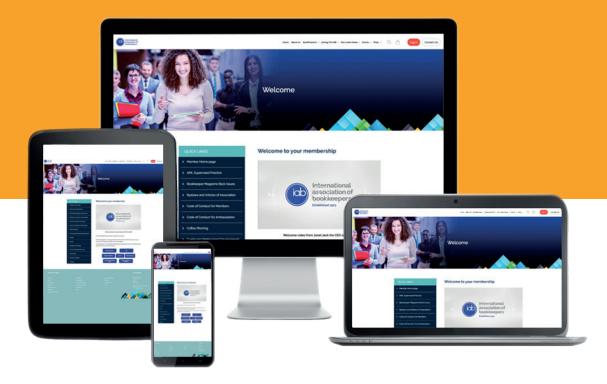
Alison Gale – www.softlinksuk.co.uk

"The IAB have been **a major turning point** in my life both as a employee and employer, **amazed by their guidance and support."** 

Mohammed Karolia







#### Our IAB Member Portal.

As an IAB member you will have access to a whole host of member extras, such as our **Member Benefits** with **discounts from a wide selection of businesses** to help you in your career and practice. You also have access to our **bookkeeping job vacancies** which are updated regularly.



## The Bookkeeper Magazine

Every quarter you will have delivered direct to your door, our acclaimed The Bookkeeper magazine with lots of updates and hints and tips to help build your career or practice.





Access to
AccountancyDaily.co
PLUS FREE Tax & VAT
advice line worth
£3,500

# TAX and VAT Helpline

As a member you also have access to the Croner-i TAX and VAT helpline worth £3,500.

# Receive a very warm welcome at one of our info-packed coffee mornings.

Every 2 weeks we host an online coffee morning where you can speak to our CEO Janet Jack, our COO Sarah Palmer and listen to our guest speakers. Visit the website <a href="www.IAB.org.uk/coffee">www.IAB.org.uk/coffee</a> for more info, previous meeting recordings and when the next online event will take place.





# You can join our active Facebook Group.

On our private group you can speak to other members and gain further support.





# Latest updates via our Blogs and Podcasts

To get the latest information, we have our blogs which are updated weekly and also our acclaimed podcasts with a host of information for you to help you build your career and practice.



# Our online learning platform

As a member, you will have access to discounted courses, such as AML, GDPR and lots more. These can be found on our online learning platform IAB Blue with CPD Points available.





# **AML Supervision**

If you have Anti Money Laundering Supervision with us, you will have access to a separate part of the members website with a whole host of help and advice to guide you. If you want to know how to apply for supervision, please send an email to <a href="mailto:membership@iab.org.uk">membership@iab.org.uk</a>





You can join one of our IAB Ambassador Groups

If you're looking for help and support from other Bookkeepers then you'll be invited to join one of our Ambassador Groups spread across the UK.

Being part of a group will help you gain even more support and build a close network with other bookkeepers in your area.

Ambassador Groups have a maximum of 6 people and each meeting will be 1 hour long via Zoom. It's your chance to gain valuable support from your fellow members where together you can grow your practices.

Visit www.IAB.org.uk/ambassador to find out more.





"I run a small bookkeeping and payroll practice and have over 30 years experience working in practice and industry. One main thing that I have learned over the years is its good to help others and not be afraid to ask for help from other bookkeepers and accountants. Being an Ambassador for the IAB enables me to do this. The members in my group are friendly and approachable and we always have fun on our meetings and of course we have the support of the IAB which is great."

Joyce O'Leary - IAB Ambassador and Member

"Since starting our group we have become a friendly, enthusiastic and supportive bunch. We all come from different backgrounds and have different specialities and experiences, but it is a great opportunity to share ideas, discuss challenges and offer help and encouragement to each other on a regular basis."

Rich Beale - IAB Ambassador and Member



If you'd like to learn more or have any questions on becoming a member, then please feel free to either drop one of the team an email or give us a call.

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