

Discontinuation of the Certificate in Finance and Investment, and the Diploma in Actuarial **Techniques**

As part of discussions in relation to the Qualification Framework, the IFoA's practice of awarding certificates was considered. Historically, certificates have included Fellowship, Associateship, CERA, Certificate in Finance and Investment and Diploma in Actuarial Techniques. The Certificate in Finance and investment and the Diploma in Actuarial Techniques were never IFoA qualifications but simply noted achievements. There has been recurring evidence brought to the attention of the IFoA that there was confusion over these certificates in the marketplace and what they represented. In order to avoid any further confusion, the IFoA withdrew these two certificates with effect from September 2016.