

Welcome to the first issue of the LCCI Centre Update, which will be sent on a quarterly basis. All recent developments and latest news will be included in this newsletter, which we hope you will find helpful and informative.

#### **Brazilian visit to International House**

In May, EDI welcomed Ligia Pereira (Business Development Manager) and Marcello Barros (Education Development Director) from Certificações Internacionais CNA (CIC) to establish a partnership intended to develop the Brazilian exams market.

Ligia and Marcello signed an agreement with Nigel Snook under which they take responsibility from Sandra Monica Szwarc for the promotion and development of ELSA/ FELSA, JETSET and FTBE in Brazil. Monica will take a more active role in helping EDI to develop a wider strategy for the Americas, and will continue to work closely with CIC in helping ELSA to continue the impressive growth the assessment has experienced over the past three years. Monica will also take the lead in promoting and developing the remainder of the English language suite, especially EfB and EFT.

The partnership with CIC is an incredible opportunity which will bring a world class awarding body together with an organisation that has been operating in Brazil for over 30 years, is renowned for its integrity and that works on a truly national scale.



Left: Marcello Barros and Nigel Snook signing agreement



Right: Marcello and Nigel outside International House (EDI)

#### **Levels 1 to 4 Certificate in Audio Transcription**

#### **Levels 1 to 3 Certificate in Text Production**

Syllabi for the above qualifications have been revised to clarify the regulations for candidates using shared printing equipment during the examination. To reduce the likelihood of candidate malpractice, candidates must put a hand up so that printing instructions and printing out are supervised by the invigilator. Revised syllabi are available from [www.ediplc.com](http://www.ediplc.com)

#### **Audio Transcription and Text Production Examinations**

Examinations in Audio Transcription and Text Production will only refer to measurements in metric terms from Series 4 2008. Previously, both metric and imperial measurements have been included within the examinations for Audio Transcription and Text Production.

Please do not hesitate to contact [enquiries@ediplc.com](mailto:enquiries@ediplc.com) if you would like further clarification.

## LCCI Annual Qualification Reviews and Sample Questions available from October 2008

From October 2008 centres will be able to download Annual Qualification Reviews for the most popular LCCI International Qualifications. The Annual Qualification Reviews provide support and guidance to centres, helping teachers to prepare their candidates for taking the examinations. The reviews include the following features:

- generic feedback on candidate performance demonstrated in examinations over the preceding 12 months
- global pass rates enabling centres to compare their candidates' performance with that of candidates throughout the world
- candidate strengths and weaknesses by syllabus topic area
- annotated exemplar material identifying good and poor performance
- sample questions and answers
- any changes to the syllabus or question types and the implications of these changes

Copy and paste the below link in your web browser to see an example of an Annual Qualification Review:  
[http://www.lcci.org.uk/Web/lccieb/docs/Level%202%20English%20for%20Business%20Annual%20Qualification%20Review%202007%20\(2\).pdf](http://www.lcci.org.uk/Web/lccieb/docs/Level%202%20English%20for%20Business%20Annual%20Qualification%20Review%202007%20(2).pdf)

Copy and paste the below link in your web browser for the full list of forthcoming Annual Qualification Reviews:  
<http://www.lcci.org.uk/Web/lccieb/docs/LCCI%20Annual%20Qualification%20Reviews%20available%20from%20October%202008.pdf>

The above documents can also be viewed on the LCCI website:  
<http://www.lcci.org.uk/Web/lccieb/newsdetails.aspx?NewsId=1284>

For further information, please email [enquiries@ediplc.com](mailto:enquiries@ediplc.com)

## CEF Level now on English for Business Certificates Alignment of English for Business LCCI IQs to the CEF

EDI has completed a comprehensive project focussed on relating the LCCI English for Business (EFB) International Qualifications to the Common European Framework of Reference (CEF) for Language Qualifications.

For more information visit <http://www.lcci.org.uk/Web/lccieb/docs/efb.pdf>

## Accreditation by the UK Regulatory Authority

EDI is pleased to announce that the LCCI Level 1 Book-keeping, Level 2 Book-keeping and Accounts and Level 3 Accounting / Accounting (IAS) qualifications have been accredited by the UK regulatory authority, the QCA (Ofqual). In addition to the accreditation, the Level 3 Accounting / Accounting (IAS) have been included on the UCAS tariff for entry into UK universities from 2009. Information on the tariff points awarded can be found at [www.ucas.com](http://www.ucas.com)

## Trinidad Accreditation

EDI has applied for accreditation as an awarding body in Trinidad and whilst the application has been processed we are now waiting for the results of their gap analysis. We will keep you updated on how this progresses.