Certified Investment Research Analyst (CIRA)

Program Overview

The Certified Investment Research Analyst (CIRA) certification is a comprehensive global certification program designed to give an expert level understanding of investment research skills. This program teaches a disciplined and systematic approach to developing reports that assess the investment merits of first-time and existing issuers, provide ongoing assessments of trends in a given industry and identify investment opportunities in the secondary markets.

Investment Analysis is the study of how an investment is likely to perform and how suitable it is for a given investor. Investment analysis is key to any sound portfolio-management strategy. Most analysts, the aspiring and the experienced, agree to the fact that investing is about facts, models, mathematics, and analysis. CIRA certification integrates a complex body of investment knowledge holistically covering these skills.

The evolution of capital markets the world over along with other investment classes, have created a need for investment research analysts with a new level of sophistication and a deep understanding of markets, economics, consumers & technology. The CIRA certification is a credential designed specifically for financial professionals who want to attain an advanced level of competency as an investment analyst. who possess strong accounting, finance, quantitative and business writing skills. deep curiosity in business and industry, well-honed financial analytical ability, and exceptional written and oral communications skills

This program uses a variety of interactive learning tools, including case studies, projects and hands-on exercises. In this certification program, you will master the relevant concepts and skills related to research, such as accounting, modeling and valuation. We will also expose you to all the markets we cover and prepare you with presentation and writing skills.

Through practical exposure to financial markets and working on a senior analyst led team, CIRA candidates will learn a disciplined and systematic approach to developing reports that assess the investment merits of first-time and existing issuers, provide ongoing assessments of trends in a given industry and identify investment opportunities in the secondary markets

CIRA certificants will be placed into an equity, credit, economics, commodities or strategy research team, where they focus on project work, as well as day-to-day tasks. They work closely with their teams and the broader business unit to gain exposure to all aspects of a research analyst's role.

A typical day might include working on financial models, conducting research on and writing portions of thematic or other investment pieces, creating marketing presentations, analyzing market trends and attending conferences
The pace is fast, demanding and intellectually stimulating, and you will work harder and learn more than you ever thought possible. But we will give you the training and tools you need to succeed.

Focused training sessions cover essential skills including accounting, valuation, financial modeling and writing. CIRA certification is also a part of the prestigious global certification- Certified International Investment Analyst (CIIA). CIRA candidates will be part of a global network of Investment experts connected with CIIA who are dedicated to picking the right investments at the right time.

Program Beneits:

- Investment Management Content
- Job Opportunities
- Practical Knowledge
- One-On-One Access
- Global Analytical Models
- Market Savvy
- Access to in-depth market reports
- Rigor
- Differentiation
- Ethics
- Multiple Perspectives

Program Objective:

Investment analysts may be involved in a broad range of activities and disciplines, which vary according to the nature of the employer. Essentially they provide an insight on economic trends and evaluate investment potential. They need to develop an understanding of inancial information, such as inancial statements, company accounts, and sector data. They will also need to access and understand wider business information such as relevant economic data and political events.

Investment analysts are skilled at examining and interpreting data from different sources and understanding the impact this will have for investment decision making.

After the completion of this certiication, a candidate would be able to:

- conduct due diligence on companies and industries by researching, reading inancial statements and market data;
- analyze inancial information relating to speciic companies, e.g. company results, proit and loss, balance sheet and cash low statements to determine how an organisation is positioned to deliver for investors;
- keep up to date with market developments, new investment products and all other areas that can affect the markets, e.g. movements in the economies of relevant countries;
- assess how the economic implications of factors such as natural disasters, weather, wars, etc. might affect the performance of companies and funds;
- monitor the inancial news using specialist media sources;
- create inancial model and projection;
- draft and write research reports for fund manager or client use;
- meet with and provide information to fund managers; this might include, summaries of research, investment ideas, key events from the proceeding day as well as key drivers for the day ahead;
- make recommendations to fund managers, being able to position ideas and articulate to the fund manager about the risk or payoff for each recommendation;
- ensure that all compliance regulations are met.

Course Structure

Exams:		
Level	Exam Type	Duration
1	MCQ	3 hours

Fee:		
Fee	Level	Amount (INR)
Registration		17250
Exam		3450

AIWMI conducts/delivers its examination on demand with computer-based testing (CBT) provider, Pearson VUE (www.pearsonvue.com/aiwmi) across its network of over 5,000 test centres in 180 countries worldwide. You can locate the nearest exam center at www.pearsonvue.com/aiwmi/locate.

All the fee mentioned is inclusive of service tax. The registration fee is valid for 3 years and includes the cost study material, Online access too case studies, simulators, research software and additional material. Fee is subject to change.

About AIWMI

The Association of International Wealth Management of India (AIWMI) is a not-for-proit organization and a globally recognized membership association for inance professionals.

AIWMI primarily focuses on the broad and strategic role of developing a more robust and forward-looking training infrastructure for the inancial services sector and to promote more active industry involvement and collaboration in training and continuing education.

AIWMI is offering advanced international certiication programs along with a wide variety of high-quality executive education programs.

AIWMI programs combine state-of-the-art knowledge and skills with practical experience and insights into the functioning of the inancial sector. All AIWMI courses and educational events have an intense and pragmatic curriculum. Participants are exposed to the latest developments within the inancial services sector.

AIWMI plays a key role in guiding the development of the inancial services sector. AIWMI works with key industry participants' viz. the Government, the Regulators, the Industries/Associations, the Corporate, the Media and the General Public to achieve its objectives. Besides enhancing technical competence and professionalism in the industry, AIWMI organizes events and facilitates discussions to promote best practices in leadership and talent development in the inancial sector with an aim to become Asia's premier center of excellence for inancial education.

About CIIA

Increasing globalisation of investment markets mean the world's key inancial institutions are integrating their operations across the major inancial centres of the world. Certiied International Investment Analyst (CIIA®) opens doors to International Finance and Investment.

CIIA® is an internationally recognised, advanced professional qualiication that combines a globally applicable Common Knowledge Base with expertise in local regulations and market practices.

A lexible, internationally recognised qualiication, CIIA® examines candidates at a high standard and in a practical fashion in the global areas that are necessary to pursue a career in the investment profession, and also in the local topic areas of their respective home markets.

In some countries in Europe and the Americas, regulators recognise the CIIA® designation as a relevant qualiication. In the United Kingdom the ACIIA® has an awarding body status and the CIIA® is recognised by FSA (Financial Services Authority) as a Key 2 qualiication. In the US the CIIA® holders are recognised by PRMIA (Professional Risk Managers' International Association) as the equivalent of passing the irst two required exams. LOMA, also headquartered in the US recognises the CIIA® designation for Professional Achievement Credits (PACs) in its Fellow, Financial Services Institute (FFSI) Programme.

CIIA® is the passport you need as employers recognise the advantage of hiring mobile professionals with qualiications that will enable them to work in any international inancial centre.

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