

U.K. resident earns CIP

The first time Trisha Anderson set foot on Canadian soil, on a cold night in Toronto, she received her CIP designation. A native of Barbados who currently lives in Coventry, England, Anderson was among 209 graduates recently attending the

Insurance Institute's convocation. Her mother and sister flew in from Barbados to celebrate the occasion, while her father flew in from Italy. Anderson is now considering pursuing the FCIP designation. The irony of a non-resident studying for professional insurance designations in Canada, she says, "is ridiculous." Anderson began her CIP studies in Barbados, where she had completed about 60 per cent of the program by 2006. She decided to take her CIP in the former British colony, as opposed to the English designation, the ACII, because several of her friends were enrolled in the program as well. Anderson took a hiatus from insurance in 2007 while relocating to England, resuming her studies after



rejoining the insurance industry in the U.K., where she now works as a commercial trading manager for Axa Insurance. "When I was studying for the CIP exams I was engrossed in Canadian law and the Code of Quebec. Then I would have to switch during the day, when I was at work, to think about British law." Photo shows Anderson and Institute board chair Silvy Wright. IP