



PROFESSIONAL INDEMNITY INSURANCE CONFERENCE

Keeping Ahead of Tomorrow

3 - 5 JULY 2023

ROBINSON COLLEGE, CAMBRIDGE

THE CONFERENCE

This is the twenty-fifth Conference arranged with support from the Professional Indemnity Forum. The event will once again cover a wide number of issues including:

- A review of the past and expectations for the future
- Emerging risks and issues facing the market
- Developments in Policy Coverage
- Regulatory, legal and coverage developments in individual professions
- Significant legal decisions that are impacting on the professions' exposures
- Strategies in claims handling

Following each presentation, time is set aside for delegates to discuss points and there will also be opportunities for participants to partake in the Symposium and raise issues for further discussion.

WHO IS THE CONFERENCE FOR?

This Conference will be of interest to anyone involved in Professional Indemnity Insurance, including underwriters, claims managers, risk managers, lawyers and brokers.

THE PROFESSIONAL INDEMNITY FORUM

PIF was formed many years ago by leading underwriters in the London Market with a view to improving levels of knowledge in the market as a whole. PIF is now a Committee of the International Underwriting Association of London Ltd (IUA). Membership is open to all IUA members together with invited underwriting representatives from other syndicates and companies. PIF presents a forum for discussion of issues of interest to the PI Market. It also seeks to promote sound principles for best practice, provide education to its members and formal liaison with other professional bodies. This Conference gives the members of PIF the opportunity to further its aims and to involve others in the industry who have an interest in Professional Indemnity Insurance.

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CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

MONDAY 3rd JULY

- 4.00 - 6.00 PM** **REGISTRATION**
- 6.00 - 7.15 PM** **DINNER**
- 7.45 PM** **PUNTING ON THE CAM**

TUESDAY 4th JULY

- 9.00 - 9.15 AM** **WELCOME TO THE CONFERENCE**
Deborah Hall
- 9.15 - 9.45 AM** **AN OVERVIEW OF ISSUES FACING THE MARKET**
George Smeaton, Deputy Head of Professional Indemnity, Starr Companies
- 9.45 - 10.45 AM** **CONSTRUCTION PROFESSIONAL INDEMNITY- RECENT DEVELOPMENTS**
Michael Attwell, Senior Underwriter, Great Lakes/Munich Re
- 10.45 - 11:00 AM** **COFFEE**
- 11.00 AM - 12.00 PM** **EDUCATION LIABILITIES**
Giles Tagg, Partner, Beale & Co
- 12.00 - 1.00 PM** **LUNCH**
- 1.00 - 2.00 PM** **WHY PI UNDERWRITERS NEED TO THINK ABOUT THE QUALITY OF CONSTRUCTION**
Paul Lowe, Partner, Kennedys
Nicholas Abbott, Senior PI Underwriter, Everest Re
- 2.00 - 3.00 PM** **ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE IN THE PROFESSIONS**
Ed Anderson, Partner, Browne Jacobson
Sam Zaozirny, Senior Associate, Browne Jacobson
- 3.00 - 3.15 PM** **TEA**
- 3.15 - 3.45 PM** **GEOPOLITICS AND THE IMPLICATIONS FOR PROFESSIONAL INDEMNITY INSURANCE**
Tom Chivers, Senior Underwriter, QBE Re
- 3.45 - 4.45 PM** **ESG – THE IMPLICATIONS FOR PROFESSIONS AND THEIR INSURERS**
Ivan Wilkinson, Legal Director, Clyde & Co
Alexia Howard, Senior Associate, Clyde & Co
- 6.30 - 7.00 PM** **RECEPTION**
- 7.00 PM** **BANQUET**

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WEDNESDAY 5th JULY

- 9.00 - 10.00 AM** **WHEN DO PROFESSIONALS OWE DUTIES TO NON-CLIENTS, AND WHEN DO THEIR DUTIES GO FURTHER THAN THEIR RETAINER?**
Helen Evans KC, 4 New Square
- 10.00 - 11.00 AM** **“10 THINGS I HATE ABOUT YOU”**
Andrew Burnette, Partner, Burges Salmon
- 11.00 - 11.15 AM** **COFFEE**
- 11.15 AM - 12.15 PM** **THE COVERAGE REVIEW**
Philip Murrin, Partner, DAC Beachcroft
- 12.15 - 1.15PM** **A PROFESSIONAL INDEMNITY “POT-POURRI”**
- 1.15 - 2.45 PM** **LUNCH AND SYMPOSIUM**
OUR PANEL OF EXPERTS WILL LEAD A DISCUSSION ON ISSUES RAISED BY DELEGATES
Paul Freeman, Senior Underwriter and AVP, Liberty Specialty Markets
Russell Newell, Director of Underwriting Strategy, Collegiate Underwriting
Rob McTaggart, Head of Professional Indemnity, Starr Underwriting Agents
- 2.45 PM** **CONFERENCE CLOSE**

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CHAIRPERSON



DEBORAH HALL has been a professional presenter for over 30 years. She was trained by BBC TV as a journalist and read the Local and National News on BBC-1. She was a News Anchor on BBC World (total 12 years). She is a very experienced Conference Chair, fronting nearly 100 conferences for the London insurance market, including all the Professional Indemnity Conferences. She still presents TV programmes and webcasts for businesses. Deborah coaches MBA students at Durham University and is the staff trainer for London Business School. She is the in-house trainer for various law firms and insurance brokers and underwriters. As a coach on the Civil Service Learning Panel, she has worked with Directors at the Departments of Health, Business Innovation & Skills, Work & Pensions and HM Treasury. Deborah has worked extensively in Europe over 25 years as media trainer for the European Centre for Disease Control and is the media consultant on the scientific side of Bill Gates/WHO's programme to vaccinate the world's poor (since 2000), training over 1000 delegates from 92 countries.

PRESENTERS



NICHOLAS ABBOTT is Senior PI Underwriter at Everest Re.



ED ANDERSON is a Partner in Browne Jacobson. He specialises in defending complex claims against professionals, including lawyers, accountants, brokers, actuaries, IFAs, architects and surveyors. He also represents insurers in high value coverage disputes in all classes of business, including FI, D&O, Public Liability, Political Risk and W&I.



MICHAEL ATTWELL is a Senior Underwriter at Great Lakes/Munich Re in London and the chair of the IUA Construction Working Group, a sub-group of PIF. He has worked in the PI market for over 20 years and specializes in professional indemnity for global construction risks

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ANDREW BURNETTE is a Partner in Burges Salmon. He specialises in high value and complex professional negligence claims, particularly against solicitors, surveyors, valuers, financial advisors, brokers, actuaries, auditors, accountants and engineers. He has particular experience acting for both traditional and specialist lenders to recover distressed loans secured against residential and commercial property; company and shareholder disputes, including unfair prejudice petitions and derivative actions; and contractual disputes across a wide variety of subject and sectors, including advice on termination and following the sale or acquisition of companies. Andrew has led successful proceedings up to the Court of Appeal and has experience of arbitration before the main international bodies, expert determination and mediation. He is a member of the Professional Negligence Lawyers' Association and the International Bar Association.



TOM CHIVERS is Senior Underwriter at QBE Re.



HELEN EVANS KC practises from 4 New Square. She is a leading barrister practising in professional negligence, fraud, disciplinary and insurance work. She was appointed QC in March 2022. Helen handles a broad variety of claims against solicitors, barristers, financial professionals, including accountants, auditors, insolvency practitioners and IFAs.



PAUL FREEMAN is Senior Underwriter and AVP at Liberty Specialty Markets. He has been Chairman of the Professional Indemnity Forum.



ALEXIA HOWARD is a Senior Associate at Clyde & Co. She works primarily with the firm's Liability, Regulatory, Disciplinary and Investigations sub-group. Her practice focuses on advising and defending legal professionals, firms of solicitors and their insurers in professional negligence and malpractice claims. As part of Clyde & Co's Resilience Programme, Alexia is developing thought leadership on the impact of climate change and ESG on legal professionals.



PAUL LOWE is a Partner in Kennedys. He is a leading construction and insurance lawyer who qualified in England and Wales in 2009. His practice focuses on matters pertaining to the construction industry, and in particular its associated insurance arrangements, covering both policy coverage and defence. He holds a number of strategic leadership roles in the formation of public policy concerning the regulation of the construction industry and has been appointed to advise the UK Government on the regulation of building safety and the remediation of defective building safety systems. Paul is also a member of the Strategic Leadership Group of the Get It Right Initiative and sits as a member of the RIBA's Professional Conduct Panel.



ROBERT MCTAGGART is Head of Professional Indemnity at Starr Companies. He is a past chairman of the Professional Indemnity Forum. He has over many years' insurance underwriting and broking experience. Robert started his insurance career at Windsor's Insurance Brokers and moved into underwriting in 2005. He previously worked as underwriter at Norwich Union and Mitsui Syndicate 3210 before heading up the Professional Indemnity team at AVIVA before moving to his current role in 2017.



PHIL MURRIN is a partner in DAC Beachcroft. He specialises in errors and omissions and professional indemnity claims, insurance and reinsurance disputes and claims against directors and officers. Phil has been involved in high-profile, high-value disputes concerning solicitors, surveyors, accountants, brokers, and directors and officers.



RUSSELL NEWELL is Director of Underwriting Strategy at Collegiate Underwriting. He has a degree in Economics from LSE and is ACII qualified. He has been underwriting since 1984 at Aegon, Sorema/Trenwick, Canopus & AmTrust. He is an ex-Chairman of the PI Forum (PIF), regularly speaks at the PI Conference supported by PIF and he co-wrote the chapter on IFAs for the Insurance Institute of London Professional Indemnity book. Russell was also instrumental in the establishment of the PIF 'test' a market recognised set of exams relating to PI.



GEORGE SMEATON is Deputy Head of Professional Indemnity, Starr Companies. He is the current Chairman of the Professional Indemnity Forum.



GILES TAGG is a Partner in Beale & Co. He is an insurance litigator and has dealt with claims against a range of non-medical professionals. He specialises in defending claims against construction professionals including architects, engineers and contractors. He has experience of handling significant litigation in the Technology and Construction Court, arbitration, adjudication and mediation. Giles writes and speaks regularly on construction PI issues. Giles also specialises in educational negligence claims and has dealt with a wide range of disputes (some high profile), including several SEND Tribunal matters.

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IVAN WILKINSON is Legal Director at Clyde & Co. He has specialised, for over 20 years, in pensions disputes and other complex professional liability and financial services disputes.



SAM ZAOZIRNY is a Senior Associate at Browne Jacobson. She specialises in insurance and reinsurance policy coverage and dispute resolution. Sam has experience in professional indemnity, financial lines, political violence and commercial property.

CONFERENCE INFORMATION

DATES

3rd - 5th July 2023

3rd July - Registration from 4.00 pm, dinner at 6.00 pm followed by Punting on the Cam

4th July - Registration from 8.00 am

4th July - Conference commences at 9.00 am

5th July - Conference Close 2.45 pm

VENUE

The Conference will be held at Robinson College, Cambridge

FEES

The fee for the two-day Conference is £995.00 + VAT. The fee includes accommodation for 2 nights, refreshments, breakfast, lunch, dinner, banquet and conference documentation.

ACCOMMODATION

Student Single Study “en-suite” bedrooms located in the College building

SOLICITORS REGULATORY AUTHORITY CPD SCHEME

This Conference may qualify towards Continuing Professional Development

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This Conference may be used for the purpose of CPD

BOOKINGS

To book places for the Conference, please email: tony.gregory@imc-seminars.com

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PLEASE NOTE

Joining instructions will be emailed to all delegates prior to the Conference. If you do not receive these, please contact us to ensure we have registered your booking. It may be necessary for reasons beyond the control of the organisers to change the speakers and/or alter the content and timing of the programme.

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