

Chair



Neil Buckley

Prior to becoming Regulation Board Chair Neil was Chief Executive of the Legal Services Board, an oversight body for legal regulators in England and Wales. Before this he was Director of Investigations at Ofcom, leading a team responsible for enforcing competition law and regulatory rules applying to the communication sector. Neil is Board Member of the Valuation Tribunal Service and the General Pharmaceutical Council. He qualified as a solicitor in 1990, and worked for a number of law firms in the City of London, specialising in international private arbitration. He has a master's degree in Regulation from the London School of Economics and an undergraduate law degree from Hertford College, Oxford University.

Lay Members

Marcia Cantor-Grable

Marcia is a commercial and risk management executive with Board, Executive Committee, and CEO level experience and more than 35 years' overall experience in financial services. Her career has spanned global and regional remits in insurance, banking and financial markets infrastructure. Her current Board Memberships include: Modulr FS Ltd (member Board Risk Committee); Société Générale International Ltd (Chair Risk Committee and member other Board committees); and the IFoA's Practising Certificates Committee.





Nicola Bevan

Nicola has worked in financial services for over 25 years including in general insurance, life, pensions and insurance broking. Following work as a regulator (including at the FSA and the FCA), Nicola has led compliance and regulatory risk functions at RSA Insurance, Towergate Insurance Brokers, and Co-op Insurance. She is a Non-Executive Board and Audit Committee member for a housing association seeking to increase housing stock and associated services to those in need in the North West. As a strategic thinking business leader experienced in risk, strategy and regulatory issues, Nicola has a particular interest in governance, customer outcomes and how organisations operate in the public interest.

Council Member

Matt Saker

Matt has nearly 30 years' experience working as an actuary in the life and general insurance industry. After a long career at Watson Wyatt, Matt joined Aviva in 2009 and currently holds the role of Group Chief Risk Actuary with responsibility for all aspects of the Group's actuarial methodology in respect of both Life and General Insurance. In addition, Matt is leading the development of data science within Aviva's Risk function. Matt plays an active role in the profession and was elected onto the Council of the Institute & Faculty of Actuaries in 2016, before joining the Regulation Board in 2018.



IFoA General Counsel



Ben Kemp

Ben is a Director and General Counsel at the IFoA. He was formerly a partner in the Regulatory and Professional Discipline at London law firm Kingsley Napley LLP. Prior to that he trained and worked for ten years as a solicitor with Shepherd+Wedderburn LLP. Ben is dual qualified as a solicitor in Scotland and England & Wales, a solicitor member of the Scottish Solicitors' Discipline Tribunal and a member of the Professional Standards and Ethics Committee of the Law Society of England and Wales. He serves as a Legal Assessor appointed to advise disciplinary panels of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors and is a part time tutor in public and constitutional law at the Edinburgh University.



Practitioner Members



Andrew Rear

Andrew Rear is the Chief Executive of Munich Re Digital Partners. He joined Munich Re in 2010, leading the Asia, Africa and UK life businesses until May 2016 when he took up his current role. Digital Partners is a global business working with, and investing in, start-ups, digital verticals and the sharing economy, with the ambition of building a more engaged proposition for insurance customers. Prior to joining Munich Re, Andrew was a partner and head of the EMEA insurance practice at Oliver Wyman.

Edwin Sheaf

Edwin is a Senior Director at Willis Towers Watson, where he has worked for almost 30 years. He divides his time between advising the trustees of pension schemes, having held a Scheme Actuary certificate for 22 years, and advising the companies that sponsor such schemes. Edwin is a current member of the IFoA's Practising Certificates Committee. He has twice been elected to IFoA Council. He is also a former member of Management Board, Nominations Committee, the Diversity Steering Group and the DC Advisory Group, as well as several working parties dealing with actuarial regulation and education.





Frank Devlin

Since 2014 Frank has been Head of Actuarial Risk Management for Munich Re - Asia Pacific, Middle East and Africa (Life). He worked for four years in Aviva's Asia Pacific Regional Office, with posts including of Head of Financial Management and Head of Capital and Products and was SVP and Head of Actuarial Reporting with ICICI Prudential Life Insurance in Mumbai. He worked with Standard Life for nearly 13 years with roles in Marketing, Defined Benefit Pension scheme valuation, Treasury and capital raising, and a 30 month secondment to HDFC Standard Life, Mumbai. He is a Fellow of the Institute of Actuaries of India and Singapore Actuarial Society. He is vice president of the Singapore Actuarial Society. He has a PhD in Theoretical Physics from Cambridge University and in 2014 completed an MBA at the National University of Singapore.

Jerome Kirk

Jerome is PwC's non-life actuarial Market leader having joined in July 2015. Previously Jerome was Head of Actuarial Services at Lloyd's. He has over 20 years of experience in the industry and has been responsible for a variety of actuarial work including oversight of Lloyd's market reserves, setting syndicate economic capital, assessing syndicate models against Solvency II standards and review of Actuarial Functions. Jerome currently provides a number of formal actuarial opinions and holds both Lloyd's and Chief Actuary practising certificates.





Mark Stocker

Mark is an experienced consulting actuary, working for both Mercer and LCP. He joined Buck in 2008 and was Chief Actuary and head of the retirement and investment until 2017. He now specialises in acting as an expert witness in a variety of pension litigation cases including matters on quantum in professional negligence, duties of the actuary, and disciplinary cases. Mark is a trustee of the Duchy of Cornwall pension scheme. At the IFoA he has volunteered as a Council Member, Board of Examiners Chair, Principal Examiner for Pensions, Education Board Chair; Pensions Board Member; and International Representative at both the International Actuarial Association and Actuarial Association of Europe.

Melanie Puri

Melanie is Actuarial Director at PwC, specialising in providing consulting advice for life insurance clients and she is the reviewing actuary for a number of life insurance audits. She has 25 years extensive and varied experience in life insurance companies and consultancies, for a number of years operating at the C-suite level. Melanie has 15 years experience working overseas in India and the Netherlands - based in Delhi, the Hague, and Mumbai. She returned to the UK in 2017 after building an actuarial consultancy business for PwC in Mumbai and is currently based in Bristol.





Shane O'Dea

Shane is the Chief Actuary of AIG Europe SA. He was based in London for 11 years and has now moved to Luxembourg. He is interested in actuarial regulation both at a UK and international level. He has been activity involved in IFoA volunteering over the years with time spent as a Lead examiner, member of the disciplinary pool, GISCC and contributor to a Brian Hey prize winning paper on Technical Provisions.