

## Research and Thought Leadership Committee (RTLCL) Publications Sub-committee - member

The Institute and Faculty of Actuaries' (IFoA's) Research and Thought Leadership Committee's (RTLCL's) Publications Sub-committee aims to provide strategic direction and oversight of all IFoA research publications, and ensure appropriate delivery through the relevant Executive staff, [PDRs](#) and volunteers.

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The key tasks of the sub-committee are:

- guide and advise the IFoA as to the strategic direction of IFoA research publications. This includes, but is not limited to:
  - British Actuarial Journal (BAJ)
  - Annals of Actuarial Science (AAS)
  - Longevity Bulletin
  - Sessional Research Papers
  - Research papers formally published from IFoA-sponsored research
  - Symposium papers and other formal conference research publications
  - International Series on Actuarial Science books, published by Cambridge University Press.
- maintain a holistic view of the IFoA research publication programme to identify links, themes, overlaps and opportunities
- review papers submitted for IFoA research prizes and make recommendations for awards and commendations
- ensure research publication plans are aligned to the IFoA's strategy and corporate plan, and the delivery models are fit for purpose
- ensure the content of IFoA research publications is relevant to the actuarial community and related disciplines
- advise on choice of any external publishers, for example for the BAJ and AAS
- identify policy issues and how these can be integrated into the planning and implementation of the publication of research publications
- outside the IFoA journals, ensure appropriate quality assurance is in place for the publications under the sub-committee's review and act as arbitrator, when issues are escalated.

Details on the Annals of Actuarial Science (AAS) can be found here:

<https://www.actuaries.org.uk/learn-and-develop/research-and-knowledge/our-journals-and-research-publications/annals-actuarial-science-aas>

Details on the British Actuarial Journal (BAJ) can be found here: <https://www.actuaries.org.uk/learn-and-develop/research-and-knowledge/our-journals-and-research-publications/british-actuarial-journal-baj>

The current issue of the Longevity Bulletin can be found here: <https://www.actuaries.org.uk/learn-and-develop/research-and-knowledge/our-journals-and-research-publications/longevity-bulletin>

Secretariat support for the RTLCL Publications Sub-committee is provided by the IFoA Research and Knowledge Team.

## **The role**

The RTALC Publications Sub-committee is seeking a new member. The committee member will be required to:

- maintain awareness of current research, emerging issues and hot topics in actuarial science
- perform review of nominated research papers and help to make recommendations for IFoA awards and commendations
- review and quality assure research outputs when required
- promote the IFoA's thought leadership and knowledge exchange activities to relevant stakeholder groups
- attend two RTALC Publications Sub-committee meetings each year in person or by conference call.

## **Reporting**

You will report in to the Chair of the RTALC Publications Sub-committee.

## **Tenure**

This is a three year appointment.

## **Time commitment**

Two meetings are held each year in Exchange Crescent, Edinburgh. Members can attend in person or by conference call. Meetings last no longer than two and a half hours. Time is also required to read through committee meeting papers.

## **“Person” Specification**

He or she will require to be someone who:

- is a Fellow, Honorary Fellow, Associate, Affiliate member of the IFoA or established academic in the field of actuarial science or a related discipline. Non members who have relevant expert and subject knowledge and a background and expertise in Group Business may also apply
- has an awareness of current research themes and topics in the wider actuarial field and/or related disciplines
- has experience of reviewing research outputs such as conference papers and research reports.

In addition, a background in commercial or academic research would be advantageous.

## **In return, the volunteer will:**

- be provided with excellent professional support and assistance during your tenure on the sub-committee
- develop an effective network of contacts across the industry.

## **Claiming CPD**

If you intend to use the time spent on this activity when recording your CPD, remember it must be relevant to your work or role and address a personal development need. You should record an appropriate learning outcome. This is in accordance with the [CPD Scheme](#).

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