

# The XXXth International ASTIN Colloquium

## Foreword

The XXXth International ASTIN Colloquium will be held in Tokyo for four days, 22-25 August, 1999. This colloquium has been scheduled to meet in Japan as an aid to the further development of the Institute of Actuaries of Japan (IAJ), which celebrates its centennial this year, marking a milestone in its long history.

Being the first International ASTIN Colloquium to be held in Asia, we have received six papers from countries in the region. The ASTIN Scientific Committee also plans to invite a number of persons from neighboring countries, with the support of the ASTIN Committee, as part of our efforts to promote the further internationalization of ASTIN.

The lectures and presentations during the first two days of the colloquium will start with keynote addresses by Dr. Hirotugu Akaike and Dr. James Stanard, followed by the presentations of papers on a wide range of topics related to non-life insurance, looking at both theoretical and practical aspects. 25 August will feature a joint meeting, with AFIR, will keynote lectures by Dr. Thomas Ho and Dr. Hans Bühlmann under the theme of the limits of non-life insurance and asset investment, after which a variety of presentations will be made in accordance with the day's topics (these papers are to appear in another set of proceedings).

Planned to highlight the progress in internationalization of non-life insurance actuary organizations and the special characteristics of non-life insurance actuaries, the colloquium will serve as a forum for learned exchange. We, the ASTIN Scientific Committee, are confident that the colloquium will prove to be highly useful for non-life insurance actuaries around the world. Actuaries in Japan, where liberalization and globalization are rapidly progressing, will especially find attending the colloquium to be to their great advantage, since it will allow face-to-face discussion with their esteemed counterparts from abroad.

It is a great pleasure for us to have this opportunity for mutually beneficial exchange and the pursuit of studies with the actuaries who will be attending from around the world.



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