Welcome to the Nov-Dec 2019 edition of ASTIN Newsletter. It provides a general update to members regarding the ASTIN activities over the last two months as well as its future planned activities.

IAA Council and Committee Meetings, Tokyo

Update on the IAA restructuring

Early this year the IAA Renewal Task Force was established to help review top-down governance of the IAA with the aim to revisit the IAA’s strategic objectives as well as change the IAA structure to ensure the IAA efficiently operates to achieve its strategic goals.

The task force suggested the top-down governance with primary focus on three strategic goals of the IAA: I (Impact/Influence), A (Assure), and A (Advance). Under this new governance structure ASTIN and other IAA sections are expected to continue playing an important role in achieving the latter strategic goal, Advance, addressing issues of research and continuing education, with the ancillary goal to create communities in various areas. The IAA committees will be focusing primarily on the first two strategic goals, i.e. Impact/Influence and Assure.

Following the IAA consultations with FMAs and Sections, the proposed top-down governance structure (including the newly formed Strategic Planning Committee (SPC)) was approved by the IAA Council in Tokyo.
The task force also proposed a new ‘Operations’ (bottom-up) structure, which was endorsed by the Executive Committee in Tokyo after discussing potential implications of using it. The preliminary recommendations of the task force included a reduction in the number of permanent committees, the transition of the IAA committees and subcommittees into (time and/or object limited) task forces and the establishment of forums for knowledge sharing activities, which can be done more virtually going forward.

During the Section Chairs and Treasurers meeting in Tokyo, it was agreed that Michiel van der Wardt, Vice Chair of ASTIN, will continue acting as the Spokesman of the IAA Sections in the IAA. In this role, he will also be observer in the SPC, which will continue discussing the proposed bottom-up structure.

ASTIN Regional Events

Joint ASTIN/CAS Seminar, Tokyo

Joint ASTIN/CAS Seminar was held in Tokyo on 23 November 2019, straight after the IAA Meeting. This event was hosted by the Institute of Actuaries of Japan (IAJ) as part of the IAJ Special Meeting dedicated to the celebration of 120th anniversary of the IAJ.

The IAJ Special Meeting was held at Keidanren Kaikan (Japan Business Federation) located in the centre of Tokyo and close to the Tokyo Imperial Palace.

The seminar comprised three sessions of 90 minutes each: Session 1: Data Science; Session 2: Cyber Risk; and Session 3: Insurance ERM and Solvency.

The ASTIN Board thanks the IAJ, and especially Ms. Miyuki Ebisaki, for organising such a wonderful event and for the opportunity to join the celebration and provide the IAJ with the strong track of non-life sessions.

Many interesting topics were covered during the seminar and generated fruitful discussions among participants. Three members of the ASTIN Board, Michiel van der Wardt, Bernard Wong and Yuriy Krvavych, presented at the seminar. The full programme of the event can be accessed here.

All presentations are available online to ASTIN members and can be downloaded from ‘Workshops and Seminars’ page in Our Activity section on ASTIN website (sign-in is required to access the page).
Actuarial Colloquium (ASTIN), Paris 2020

Call for Papers

ASTIN Colloquium 2020 will be held in Paris on 10-14 May 2020 jointly with other IAA sections as part of the IAA Actuarial Colloquium.

The main theme of the Colloquium is "Individual choices facing societal changes: can actuarial science bridge the gap between individual and collective choices?". It will be addressed through a series of plenary sessions, parallel workshops, insightful keynotes and group discussions designed to identify and leverage key trends of actuarial, social and economic research and new technologies to create a strategic advantage for the actuarial profession.

Submission and key dates

- 15 Nov 2019 - Final submission of abstract (around 200 words) in either English, French or Spanish.
- 15 Dec 2019 - Confirmation of paper acceptance.
- 15 Mar 2020 - Paper (between 5 and 30 pages) plus presentation - final submission.

For more details, please visit the colloquium website: https://www.actuarialcolloquium2020.com
Forthcoming Events

IAA Meetings

- Brussels, Belgium 4 - 8 May 2020
- Ottawa, Canada 18 - 22 Nov 2020
- Sydney, Australia 30 Mar - 3 Apr 2022

ASTIN Colloquia

2020 - May 10-14, Paris, France
ASTIN Colloquium will be held jointly with four other IAA Sections: AFIR-ERM, IAALS, PBSS and IACA.

2021 - May, Orlando, FL, USA
It is envisaged that ASTIN Colloquium will be held jointly with AFIR-ERM (subject to further confirmation) and in collaboration with CAS.

2022 - April 4-8, Sydney, Australia
ASTIN Colloquium will be held as part of 32nd ICA.

2026 - Tokyo, Japan
ASTIN Colloquium will be held as part of 33rd ICA.

Resources

Don’t forget the following resources which have a lot of information about ASTIN, and its research:

- ASTIN Annual Report
- ASTIN Bulletin
- ASTIN Video
- ASTIN Newsletters
- ASTIN website

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