The IAA: What’s there for us?

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Origins, mission and recognition

- Comité Permanent des Congés d’Actuaires founded in 1895
- Restructured in 1998 to serve as worldwide association of professional actuarial associations and individual actuaries.

- To encourage development of global profession
  - technically competent and professionally reliable
  - to ensure that the public interest is served

- Not-for-profit, non-political, Non-Governmental Organisation
  - on the Roster of the Economic and Social Council of the UN
  - on the Special List of the ILO
Objectives

- Develop the role and reputation of the profession
- Promote high standards of professionalism to serve public interest
- Advance the body of knowledge of actuarial science
- Further the personal professional development of actuaries
- Promote mutual esteem and respect amongst actuaries
- Provide discussion forum for actuaries and associations
- Represent the global profession with supranational bodies
PRINCIPLE OF SUBSIDIARITY

Article 8 Co-operation

- IAA restricts its activities to strategies and programmes which require international co-ordination or direction, or can be handled more efficiently across national and regional boundaries.
- Does not become involved with actions at level of Member Associations or regional groups of actuarial associations, except at express invitation of such association or group.
- IAA takes measures necessary to avoid duplication or overlap with activities of Member Associations or regional groups of actuarial associations.
Membership and representation

- Full Member Associations: 58
- Associate Member Associations: 23
- Assisting develop profession in 40 additional countries
- Fully qualified actuaries: 40,000+ in 97 countries

- Institutional Members:
  - International Association of Insurance Supervisors (IAIS)
  - International Accounting Standards Board (IASB)
  - International Social Security Association (ISSA)

- Observer Member
  - World Bank
IAA Membership Requirements

For Full Member Association
- Code of Conduct
- Formal discipline process
- IAA Education Guidelines and Syllabus
- Formal process to adopt standards of practice
  ........if and when national standards are created

For Associate Member Association
- Actuarial association not meeting all conditions above
IAA Officers and Secretariat 2008

- President: David Hartman (United States)
- President-Elect: Katsumi Hikasa (Japan)
- Immediate Past President Hillevi Mannonen (Finland)

- Secretary General: Yves Guérard (Canada)
- Executive Director: Nicole Séguin
- Director, Finance: Denise Vella Lamarca
- Manager, IT and Member Services: Christian Levac
- Project Manager, Technical Projects: Katy Martin
- Project Manager, Membership and Development: Céleste Leclerc
Council Meetings

- Held twice a year at invitation of Full Member associations
- Criteria for governance and conduct of committee meetings exist
- Full Member association entitled to 1 delegate and 1 alternate delegate on Council
- Council agenda sent 90 days in advance of meeting includes motions for decisions requiring super-majority vote
- Second Council agenda sent 60 days in advance of meeting, followed by final agenda up to date of meeting, if necessary
- Final 30-days agenda can only include non-substantial changes
Finances and Expenses

- Budget for 2008:
  - Full Member Dues: 14.00 CAD$ per fully qualified actuary
  - Expected Revenue:
  - Expected Expenses:

- Secretariat
- Statutory Meetings
- IAA Fund
- Committee Support & Expenses
- Representations & Gifts
- Rent & Other Office Expenses
- Internet & Communications
- Insurance & Other Services
Communication and Tools for Members

- Communication is electronic: List servers / discussion groups
- Committee delegates and interested persons can join various list servers to participate / monitor work of committees
- IAA Members’ Website contains:
  - specialized online translation tool in 8 pairs of languages
  - specialized search tool
- Guidelines adopted to facilitate participation of non-native English speakers in work of IAA
Committee Participation

- Full Member Associations entitled to one representative (delegate) on most committees – Diversity is desirable
- Committee chairs and vice-chairs can also represent their association as a delegate
- Role of Committee Members:
  - active participation in committee work, discussions, meetings
  - keep home association informed of committee developments
- Delegates assume own travel costs
Committees – Leaders

- **Accreditation**
  - Juan Carlos Padilla (Mexico)

- **Audit and Finance**
  - Curtis Huntington (United States)

- **Advice & Assistance**
  - Robert Conger (United States)
  - China Subcommittee: Estella Chiu (Hong Kong)
  - Latin America Subcommittee: Luis Huerta (Mexico)
  - IAA Fund Subcommittee: W James MacGinnitie (United States)

- **Education**
  - Mary Frances Miller (United States)

- **Executive Committee**
  - Hillevi Mannonen (Finland)
  - Strategic Planning TF: David Hartman (United States)
  - TF on Mortality: Martin Stevenson (Australia)

- **Enterprise & Financial Risk**
  - Anthony Coleman (Australia)
  - TF on Financial Economics: David Kingston (Ireland)
Committees – Leaders (cont’d)

- **Insurance Accounting**
  - Actuarial Standards Subcommittee
  - Sam Guttermann (United States)
  - David Congram (Canada)
  - Francis Ruygt (The Netherlands)

- **IAA Education Program (IEPC)**
  - Steering Committee
  - Alf Guldberg (Sweden)
  - Ibrahim Muhanna (Lebanon)

- **Insurance Regulation**
  - Reinsurance Subcommittee
  - Solvency Subcommittee
  - Rolf Stölting (Germany)
  - Michael Eves (Switzerland)
  - Stuart Wason (Canada)

- **Member Services**
  - Ibrahim Muhanna (Lebanon)

- **Nominations**
  - Hillevi Mannonen (Finland)

- **Pensions & Employee Benefits**
  - Accounting Standards Subcttee
  - Esko Kivisaari (Finland)
  - Gary Hibbard (United Kingdom)

- **Professionalism**
  - Michael Pomery (United Kingdom)

- **Social Security**
  - Robert L. Brown (Canada)

- **Supranational Relations**
  - Philippe Maeder (Switzerland)
Relationship Between IAA, Sections and Congresses

- IAA: association driven, focusing on professionalism, standards, representation
- Sections: scientific, research and practical arm
- Congresses: a high point for both
- Colloquia are yearly or biannually, while Congresses are every four years
- In Congress year, section colloquia are held in conjunction with Congress
- Next Congress: March 7-12, 2010 in Cape Town, South Africa
IAA has seven specialized sections that form an integral part of the IAA

Sections focus on actuarial research and development in specific areas of practice

Each Section has its own area on the IAA Web site: www.actuaries.org

Anyone may apply to join

Dues 40 CAD$ except for AWF 20 CAD$
Sections of the IAA (cont’d)

- 1957 ASTIN Actuarial Studies in Non-Life Insurance
- 1986 AFIR Actuarial Approach for Financial Risks
- 1968 IACA International Association of Consulting Actuaries
- 2003 IAAHS Health Section
- 2003 PBSS Pensions, Benefits, and Social Security Section
- 2003 AWF Actuaries Without Frontiers
- 2005 Life Section
IAA International Actuarial Standards of Practice

- **Class 1** Compulsory
- **Class 2** Voluntary
- **Class 3** Recommended Practice
- **Class 4** Practice Guidelines:
  - educational in nature
  - not binding
  - Usually start as class 4, can be upgraded later to class 1-3.
International Actuarial Standards of Practice (IASP)

- Current
  - IASP 1 On Social Security - class 4
  - IASP 2-10 On Financial Reporting for Insurers - class 4
  - IAA web page under STANDARDS

- Under development:
  - Financial Reporting for Insurers
  - Pensions