The IAA: Moving the Profession Forward Internationally

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**International Congress of Actuaries, 7-12 March 2010**
*Cape Town, South Africa*
Current Public Statements

- IASB Discussion Papers on
  - Reducing Complexity in Reporting Financial Instruments
  - Preliminary Views on Amendments to IAS 19 Employee Benefits
  - Preliminary Views on an improved Conceptual Framework for Financial Reporting
  - Exposure Draft on an improved Conceptual Framework for Financial Reporting

- IASCF Discussion Document: Public Accountability and the Composition of the IASB - Proposals for change

- FRC Discussion Paper on Promoting Actuarial Quality

- FRC Discussion Paper on Monitoring and Scrutiny of Actuarial Work

- Draft OECD Guidelines for Pension Fund Governance

The IAA Strategic Plan will be put before a vote to Council on November 4, 2008 in Limassol, Cyprus.

Vision

The actuarial profession is recognized worldwide as a major player in the decision-making process within the financial services industry, in the area of social protection and in the management of risk, contributing to the well-being of society as a whole.
Mission

The mission of the IAA, as the worldwide organization of actuarial associations, is:

- to represent the actuarial profession and promote its role, reputation and recognition in the international domain; and

- to promote professionalism, develop education standards and encourage research, with the active involvement of its Member Associations and Sections, in order to address changing needs.
Values

The IAA adheres to the values of integrity, accountability, transparency, and objectivity when dealing with Member Associations, other stakeholders and the public.
Strategic Objective 1

Identify, establish, and maintain relationships with key supranational audiences and provide them with actuarial input to improve the soundness of decisions being made on important issues with a global impact.

Priorities/Action Plans

1. Identify and prioritize relevant supranational organizations with whom to establish and maintain key relationships.

2. Bring key relationship bodies into contact with the relevant actuarial groups.

3. Build and maintain key relationships.
Strategic Objective 2

Facilitate the use and expansion of the scientific knowledge and skills of the actuarial profession, including beyond the traditional areas of actuarial practice, to help enhance the scope, availability, and quality of actuarial services offered by individual members of its member associations.

Priorities/Action Plans

1. Identify and prioritize fields of practice and develop a program to support each area.

2. Create strong links with non-actuarial international organizations in “wider fields”. (links to Strategic Objective 1)

3. Promote the development of actuarial practice in Enterprise Risk Management, including the development of a global designation/credential.
Strategic Objective 3

Establish, maintain and promote common standards of actuarial education, common principles of professionalism and model standards of actuarial practice for use by member associations worldwide.

Priorities/Action Plans

1. Periodically review basic education standards to ensure they remain up to date.

2. Develop a recommended set of voluntary CPD guidelines.

3. Achieve a common understanding of the principles of professionalism, including code of conduct and disciplinary procedures.

4. Develop model standards of practice.
Strategic Objective 4

Support the development, organization and promotion of the actuarial profession in areas of the world in which it is not present or is not fully developed.

Priorities/Action Plans

1. Help emerging and existing actuarial associations to develop.

2. Examine the feasibility of constructing and managing an International Actuarial Education Program.

3. Facilitate the access to information and experiences from other countries, especially for countries with a developing actuarial profession.
Strategic Objective 5

Provide a forum for discussion among actuaries and actuarial associations throughout the world.

Priorities/Action Plans

1. Encourage forums for actuaries to discuss global actuarial issues.

2. Encourage discussions between association Presidents.

3. Encourage not only worldwide, but also regional contact and cooperation among member associations.
International Actuarial Association

www.actuaries.org
IAA Strategic Planning

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Discussion papers for IAA Meetings in Dublin, October 2007

- Mission, vision, values and goals
- Review of the governance