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Aihe: Respond to the Call for Papers & Register - Joint LIFE - PBSS - IACA Colloquium in Oslo (June 2015)



Respond to Call for Papers / Early-Bird Registration

Den Norske Aktuarforening invites you to attend the Colloquium of the International Actuarial Association to be held in Oslo, Norway, from the 7th to the 10th of June 2015. The colloquium is a joint collaboration of the three IAA sections Pension Benefits and Social Security (PBSS), Life Insurance (LIFE) and The International Association of Consulting Actuaries (IACA).

Our call for papers describes the present state of pensions and life insurance as rather turbulent and lists a number of issues that serve to shape the prospectus of the colloquium. Hopefully it will inspire many of you to write a contributed paper and many more of you to attend and participate in the discussions in Oslo June 7-10, 2015. Enjoy the bright summer nights in the little city with the big heart!

**You are cordially invited to attend
the Oslo Colloquium on 7-10 June 2015
REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!**

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Colloquium, please visit our
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Call for Papers and Colloquium Programme

Issues in our time

A relatively short period in the history of insurance, the past some three decades have seen life insurance and pensions undergo major changes driven by multiple and interacting forces. The following list of key-words is probably noncontroversial, but emphasis and pros and cons may be debatable. Deregulation in the eighties. Financial innovation and emergence of huge derivatives markets. Growth in volume of trades, increasingly research- and technology-driven. Financial instability culminating in the on-going crisis. In life insurance and pensions: Demutualization, dissolution of portfolios, increasing mobility of insurance contracts (buy-outs, individual and bulk), surrenders and free policies. The traditional with profit scheme gave way to a plethora of products equipped with various forms of guarantees. Hence risk management increasingly based on market operations: reinsurance, swaps, securitization. Pension crisis triggered by faltering markets and improved longevity. Occupational schemes moving from defined benefits to defined contributions. Renewed interest in with profit? Or seek new ways of adapting premiums and benefits to indices for interest and mortality? Risk classification driven by technology (gene tests) or legislation (gender neutrality). Disability and long term care in an ageing population. Reintroduction of regulation. Solvency II, IFRS, external models vs internal models/ORSA. Valuation of assets and liabilities (what is MCEV?). Furthermore: consolidation, globalization, emergence of insurance markets in developing countries. And, not least, the impact of advances in the mathematical theories of finance and insurance and their interface.

Topics

The list of issues above is just a backdrop meant to encourage and inspire contributions from participants. The Scientific Committee has chosen not to add a list of more specific topics that might narrow the scope of the conference. At the end of the day the programme will be shaped by the submissions, which transpire from what prospective participants are actually doing. Papers can be scientific, applied, or surveys. The criteria for selection of papers are relevance to the objectives of the IAALS and PBSS, quality of the presentation, novelty if the paper is theoretical, and impact on actuarial practice - demonstrated or potential - if the paper is applied.



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The LIFE and PBSS Sections are granting two prizes of CAD 1000 each, one to the author(s) of the best LIFE paper and one to the author(s) of the best PBSS paper. The winners will be selected by the Scientific Committee and be announced and awarded their prizes during the Colloquium. IACA will be offering a CAD 500 prize for best IACA track paper/session.

The deadline to submit your paper is January 31, 2015. Complete details of the [Call for Papers](#) are available on the Colloquium website.

Keynote Speakers

During the colloquium we will also have the participation of keynote speakers with international experience, who will share with us their ideas during their schedule presentations:

- Professor An Chen, University of Ulm, Germany
- Managing director Idar Kreutzer, Finance Norway, Norway
- Professor Antoon Pelsser, University of Maastricht, The Netherlands
- Professor Mogens Steffensen, University of Copenhagen, Denmark

Registration

Our early-bird registration period ends on **April 1st**, therefore please do not delay in registering for this important actuarial event and save. The [registration details](#) can be accessed online.

Bursaries

Bursaries are available to authors of papers that are being presented at the Colloquium. Such papers should generally be new and not have been presented at prior IAA Colloquia or International Congress of Actuaries. It is expected that applicants for bursaries will be from developing countries, although applicants from other nations may be considered. Bursaries awarded shall cover the cost of registration fees and up to CA\$500 to help defray hotel and/or travel. You must [apply online](#) for the bursary **before 1 March 2015**.

Social Activities

The social activities will include a Welcome Reception at Oslo City Hall, visit to Vigeland Park and the Munch Museum, and the Gala Dinner at Gamle Logen. Read more about the [social activities](#) online.

Please visit the Colloquium website for more details.

We look forward to seeing you in Oslo in June 2015!

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