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2020 ASNY ANNUAL MEETING – PRESENTER BIOS

BIOS - General Sessions

Thomas Terry, FSA EA MAAA FCA | Academy Past President and member of the Committee on Qualifications

General Session: Shining a Light Onto the Grey Areas: Being a Professional in Uncertain Times

Tom has been active in the leadership of the actuarial profession, both in the U.S. and internationally. He served as President of the International Actuarial Association in 2017, President of the American Academy of Actuaries in 2014, President of the Conference of Consulting Actuaries in 2007, and as a board member of the Society of Actuaries. Tom is CEO of The Terry Group, a consulting firm focusing on insurance, healthcare, pensions and analytics. Tom is involved in several other relevant professional activities:

- He chairs the Board of Actuaries, the advisory and oversight board for the U.S.'s Federal Employees Retirement System covering over five million participants.
- He was a member of the 2019 Technical Panel of the Social Security Advisory Board, a bipartisan, independent federal government agency established to advise the President and Congress on matters of policy and administration of the U.S. Social Security program.
- Finally, Tom chairs the board of The Global Aging Institute, a research and educational organization dedicated to improving our understanding of global aging, to informing policymakers and the public about the challenges it poses, and to encouraging timely and constructive policy responses.

Alex Zaidlin FSA, MAAA, ACIA | KPMG

General Session: Actuarial Process Optimization: The New Transformation?

Alex is a Director in the Life Actuarial advisory practice, based out of the New York office. He has over 15 years of experience with consulting, insurance and reinsurance firms. His experience includes actuarial modeling, accounting change projects, internal and external audit support, pricing and valuation, experience analysis, product and assumption development. Alex leads a team of technical actuaries that focus on actuarial process optimization and automation using latest technology to allow actuaries focus on higher value tasks.

Brandon Lin ASA | KPMG

General Session: Actuarial Process Optimization: The New Transformation?

Brandon is a Senior Associate in KPMG's Actuarial advisory practice, based out of Chicago. He has over 4 years of experience working with life and annuity products, including experience with automation, actuarial modeling, accounting change, and audit support. Brandon is part of KPMG's team exploring new technologies and applying them to enhance actuarial processes.

James Chi | KPMG

General Session: Actuarial Process Optimization: The New Transformation?

James is a Director at KPMG in the Financial Services consulting practice, primarily focused on providing management and technology consulting services to financial institutions. James has extensive experience leading technology and data transformational initiatives from target operating model design and implementation planning through program execution.

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BIOS - BREAKOUT SESSION #1

Ben Blakeslee FSA MAAA | Munich Re
Breakout Session 1a: Old Age Mortality

Ben leads the Pricing Governance team at Munich Re. Prior to that he worked at John Hancock doing process improvements, asset modeling, and financial reporting. Ben is a Fellow of the Society of Actuaries, member of the American Academy of Actuaries, and holds a Bachelor of Science from Worcester Polytechnic Institute.

Kendria Boddie FSA | PwC
Breakout Session 1b: Principle-Based Reporting

Kendria is a manager in PwC's Actuarial Services practice, based out of the Chicago office. She has experience in actuarial consulting and auditing. Her current area of focus includes assisting insurers with model conversions and modernization considerations for recent accounting changes, including PBR.

Tim Cardinal FSA MAAA CERA MBA | Cardinals 1 Consulting
Breakout Session 1b: Principle-Based Reporting

Tim is a boutique consultant with a focus on VM-20, PBR Report peer reviews, and GAAP LDTI implementations. Tim was a 2014 SOA Volunteer of the Year recipient, has served on numerous industry councils and committees, and is a frequent presenter and author.

Erika DeLorenzo | Haven Life
Breakout Session 1c: Wearing Different Hats: The Many Roles For Actuaries in InsurTech

Erika DiLorenzo works as a Product Actuary at Haven Life, focusing on innovative product ideas and agile product development. She previously held life insurance product development and management roles at John Hancock. Erika has been a Fellow of the Society of Actuaries since 2016, and is a Worcester Polytechnic Institute alumnus.

Kofi James FSA MAAA | Haven Life
Breakout Session 1c: Wearing Different Hats: The Many Roles For Actuaries in InsurTech

Kofi James is a Pricing and Technology Actuary at Haven Life. He has over 10 years of experience in pricing, risk management and asset liability modeling for retail life and annuity products. Kofi holds a BA from Vassar College in mathematics and geography, and a MS in Actuarial Science from Columbia University. He is a Fellow of the Society of Actuaries and a CFA charterholder.

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BIOS - BREAKOUT SESSION #2

Julia Druce | Munich Re

Breakout Session 2a: Actuaries and Data Scientists – Powerful Partnerships and Success Stories

Julia Druce is a Senior Data Scientist on the Integrated Analytics team at Munich Re Life US. She supports cross-functional mortality and morbidity analyses, including the application of machine learning techniques and new data sources. Previously, she worked in loss reserving for P&C and completed the ACAS exams. She has a Master's degree in Statistics from Rutgers University and a Bachelor's degree in Biology from Stanford University.

John Myslinski ASA | Munich Re

Breakout Session 2a: Tec Actuaries and Data Scientists – Powerful Partnerships and Success Stories

John Myslinski is an Associate of the Society of Actuaries on the Integrated Analytics team at Munich Re Life US, where he uses analytic techniques and new data sources for assumption development, pricing and risk assessment. While he currently works as a data scientist, the bulk of his experience has been in traditional actuarial roles. Previously, he worked in Individual Life Reinsurance Pricing at Munich Re and in various pricing roles at Guardian Life Insurance. John has a bachelor's degree in Economics from Syracuse University.

Peter Yang FSA, CFA | EY

Breakout Session 2b: Long-Duration Targeted Improvements

Peter Yang is a Consulting Actuary with the Insurance and Actuarial Advisory Services practice of EY. He is based in New York. Peter has had a number of engagement experiences in variable annuities, risk management, financial planning and analysis, and ALM. He is a Fellow of the Society of Actuaries and a CFA charterholder.

Vincent Carrier-Cote FSA, CFA, ACIA | EY

Breakout Session 2b: Long-Duration Targeted Improvements

Vincent is a Consulting Actuary with the Insurance and Actuarial Advisory Services (IAAS) practice of EY. He joined EY in 2015 after graduating from Concordia University's Actuarial Mathematics/Finance Co-op program and is based in New York. Vincent has worked with life insurance clients across the areas of actuarial modeling, financial reporting (including US GAAP LDTI and IFRS 17), retirement income and capital adequacy. Hi is a Fellow of the Society of Actuaries, a CFA charterholder and an Associate of the Canadian Institute of Actuaries.

Syed H Raza FSA MAAA | EY

Breakout Session 2c: Model Transformations- End to End

Syed Raza is a Senior Consultant in the Insurance & Actuarial Advisory Services (IAAS) of Ernst & Young LLP. He is based in the firm's New York office. He has over 10 years of consulting, direct insurance, software and audit firm experience covering financial services industry and risk management for life insurance companies. His key areas of expertise include modeling, financial reporting, data analytics, transformation, actuarial software conversion, due diligence and experience studies.