



The Under 35s Reinsurance Group Seminar 2018

The U35s Reinsurance Group Committee is proud to announce the dates for its 26th annual Underwriting Seminar as the 20 – 21 September 2018.

The cost per delegate is £475. The Underwriting Seminar is the cornerstone of our educational programme and provides an opportunity for our members to learn the basics of reinsurance underwriting.

The seminar would benefit those requiring a greater understanding of the practical issues surrounding the underwriting of property and casualty risks. The Underwriting Seminar's main priority is the development of the techniques and skills of reinsurance underwriting, both in theory and in practice. The seminar covers an introduction to burning cost rating using the chain ladder method with consideration given to IBNR, inflation and portfolio changes. Also covered are exposure rating techniques and the use of the Pareto distribution to rate extreme return period driven events.

The course is held at Latimer Place, lasting 2 days, half taught in a lecture format with worked examples and half as an in-depth team based case study, applying the techniques learnt from the lecture topics. It is anticipated that delegates will have a limited knowledge of the mechanics of reinsurance with varying degrees of experience in the insurance industry. The course is an excellent opportunity for budding underwriters and intermediaries who wish to improve their technical skills and those whose day to day jobs may not include underwriting but require an understanding of underwriting (lawyers, accountants, wording technicians, actuaries and consultants have all attended past courses). In addition to these benefits the course is an invaluable opportunity to meet and interact with other reinsurance professionals from a wide variety of business areas. It allows members the unique opportunity to learn from practicing underwriters who use the skills taught during the course on a day to day basis and places a particular emphasis on combining theory with practice.

This year we welcome back veteran **Mike van der Straaten** (Qatar Re, Head of London Branch & Chief Underwriting Officer Long Tail & Specialty Classes) for his 18th year teaching the seminar.

The Committee will try to accommodate all applications, but as this seminar is often over-subscribed we reserve the right to select candidates according to our own criteria.

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