



# LIABILITY INSURANCE CONFERENCE Tomorrow and Tomorrow and Forever 4 - 6 SEPTEMBER 2023 ROBINSON COLLEGE, CAMBRIDGE

## THE CONFERENCE

This is the twenty-ninth Conference organized with the support of the Liability Underwriters Group. The Conference will once again cover a wide number of issues including:

- The state of the market
- A review of some emerging risks
- Policy coverage issues, particularly in relation to emerging risks
- Legal developments impacting on Liability business

There will be plenty of opportunities for delegates to join in discussions. Time is set aside after each presentation for questions, delegates will be able to take part in the debate, and issues can be raised by delegates for consideration by the Conference.

### WHO IS THE CONFERENCE FOR?

This Conference will be of interest to anyone involved in Liability Insurance: underwriters, brokers, claims managers, risk managers and lawyers.

### THE LIABILITY UNDERWRITERS GROUP

The Conference is supported by the Liability Underwriters Group (LUG), a Committee of the International Underwriting Association of London Ltd (IUA). LUG was formed 40 years ago by leading underwriters in the London Market with a view to improving levels of knowledge in the market as a whole. Membership is open to all IUA members together with invited underwriting representatives from other syndicates and companies. LUG presents a forum for discussion of issues of interest to the Liability Market. It also seeks to promote sound principles for best practice, provide education to its members and formal liaison with other professional bodies. This Conference gives the members of LUG the opportunity to further its aims and to involve others in the industry who have an interest in Professional Indemnity Insurance.

## **CONFERENCE PROGRAMME**

MONDAY 4th SEPTEMBER	
4.00 - 6.00 рм	REGISTRATION
5.45 - 6.45 рм	DINNER
7.00 рм	PUNTING ON THE CAM
TUESDAY 5th SEPTEMBER	
8.00 - 9.00 AM	REGISTRATION
9.00 - 9.15 ам	WELCOME TO THE CONFERENCE Deborah Hall
9.15 - 10.00 ам	<b>AN OVERVIEW OF ISSUES FACING THE MARKET</b> Amanda Catron - Technical Underwriting Officer, UK Casualty, American International Group UK Limited
10.00 - 10.15 AM	TEA AND COFFEE
10.15 - 11.15 AM	<b>TAKE IT TO THE LIMIT: AGGREGATION IN LIABILITY POLICIES</b> Jamie Smith KC - 4 New Square
11.15 ам - 12.15 рм	FOREVER CHEMICALS Lucy Dyson - Partner, RPC
12.15 - 1.15 РМ	LUNCH
1.15 - 2.00 рм	LITHIUM BATTERIES AND PLASTICS - THE RISKS FOR LIABILITY INSURERS Natasha Lioubimova - Legal Director, Clyde & Co
2.15 - 3.15 РМ	<b>GEOPOLITICS AND THE IMPLICATIONS FOR LIABILITY INSURANCE</b> Tom Chivers - Senior Underwriter, QBE Re
3.15 - 3.30 рм	ΤΕΑ
3.30 - 4.30 рм	LIABILITY FOR MEDICAL DEVICES Barnaby Winckler - Partner, Kennedys
4.30 - 5.30 рм	ASBESTOS - THE RE-EMERGENCE, ONCE AGAIN, OF A NEVER-ENDING PROBLEM Chris Gower - Associate, RPC
6.30 - 7.00 рм	DRINKS RECEPTION
7.00 рм	BANQUET

### WEDNESDAY 6th SEPTEMBER

LIABILITY INSURANCE - RESOLVING COVERAGE DISPUTES WITHOUT DAMAGING COMMERCIAL RELATIONSHIPS David Pryce - Managing Partner, Fenchurch Law	
<b>ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE - THE RISKS AND LIABILTIES</b> Amanda Catron - Technical Underwriting Officer, UK Casualty, American International Group UK Limited	
TEA AND COFFEE	
<b>HEAD INJURIES AND UBIQUITOUS EXPOSURES</b> Neil Beresford - Partner, Clyde & Co	
<b>THE FINAL CHAPTER IN THE TALE OF THE TAIL</b> Tony Gregory - Managing Director, Insurance Market Conferences	
LUNCH AND SYMPOSIUM OUR PANEL OF EXPERTS WILL LEAD A DISCUSSION ON ISSUES RAISED BY DELEGATES Robert Beesley - Senior Casualty Underwriter AXA XL Tony Gregory - Managing Director, Insurance Market Conferences Dr. Andrew Auty - Re: Liability (Oxford)	

3.15 - 3.30 PM

CONFERENCE CLOSE

## **CHAIRPERSON**



**DEBORAH HALL** has been a professional presenter for over 30 years. She was trained by BBC TV as a journalist and read the Local and National News on BBC-1. She was a News Anchor on BBC World (total 12 years). She is a very experienced Conference Chair, fronting nearly 100 conferences for the London insurance market, including all the Professional Indemnity Conferences. She still presents TV programmes and webcasts for businesses. Deborah coaches MBA students at Durham University and is the staff trainer for London Business School. She is the in-house trainer for various law firms and insurance brokers and underwriters. As a coach on the Civil Service Learning Panel, she has worked with Directors at the Departments of Health, Business Innovation & Skills, Work & Pensions and HM Treasury. Deborah has worked extensively in Europe over 25 years as media trainer for the European Centre for Disease Control and is the media consultant on the scientific side of Bill Gates/WHO's programme to vaccinate the world's poor (since 2000), training over 1000 delegates from 92 countries.

### PRESENTERS



**DR. ANDREW AUTY** is Director of Re: Liability (Oxford) Ltd and was Senior Liability Consultant at the Loss Prevention Council when it was owned by ABI and Lloyd's. He has over twenty years' experience as an independent consultant to the liability insurance market and to those who seek to influence it.

He is principal author of over 110 position papers and publications relating to liability for personal injury, climate change, the environment and clarifications of the common law. Andrew is widely known for his objective, thorough assessment and interpretation of science issues and how they affect liability exposure. These insights lead to greater accuracy of policy wordings, risk selection, and claims strategy and are the basis for quantitative exposure evaluations.



**ROBERT BEESLEY** is Senior Casualty Underwriter at AXA XL Insurance having had many years' experience in the London Market as a broker and underwriter. He has been a member of the Liability Underwriters Group since 1993 and is a past Chairman.



**NEIL BERESFORD** is a Partner in Clyde & Co., where he leads the firm's global Product Liability practice. He specialises in complex and cross-jurisdictional liability claims, particularly those involving products and environmental liability. He also has significant experience of Environmental Liability claims, advising on the scope of policies and defending claims against insureds under the UK's largest environmental insurance scheme. Before entering practice, Neil was a Fellow of Robinson College and a speechwriter to the Lord Chancellor, Lord Irvine of Lairg. He maintains active ties with Cambridge and teaches here regularly during term time. He does a lot of work in Colombia.



AMANDA CATRON is Technical Underwriting Officer in AIG's Casualty team. She has over 30 years' experience, across both Property and Casualty, and has focused on Casualty for the last 18 years. She has worked for Cigna, Aviva, Lloyd's, RBS/NIG and has been with AIG for the last 14 years. Her current role encompasses technical policy analysis, broker wording negotiations, and providing technical underwriting guidance and governance. Amanda's specialisms include Emerging Risks, Sanctions and Cyber. Amanda has been representing AIG at LUG for over 4 years and is currently the Chair of LUG.



**TOM CHIVERS** is Senior Underwriter at QBE Re. He underwrites professional and general liability, political risk and credit reinsurance. Tom is a past Chairman of the Professional Liability Underwriting Group.



**LUCY DYSON** is a Partner in RPC. She is an insurance and reinsurance lawyer who specialises in complex casualty coverage and disputes. She routinely advises insurers on domestic and international exposures under public, products and pollution liability covers. Her practice particularly involves advising on losses in the energy, mining, manufacturing, infrastructure and hospitality sectors. This includes high severity events (explosions, spillages, fires), catastrophic injuries and fatalities, product liability and long tail exposures, including occupational illness and pollution. Lucy has significant experience advising on multi- jurisdictional claims, particularly in Latin America, the Caribbean, the USA and Africa.



**CHRIS GOWER** is an associate at RPC in Bristol. He has been an insurance lawyer for 15 years, specialising in complex multi-track injury claims. He has significant experience dealing with injury claims of all types but specialises in industrial disease claims, including high value and fatal asbestos claims. Chris has a particular interest in costs litigation and also deals with product liability claims and policy coverage advice.



**TONY GREGORY** is Managing Director of Insurance Market Conferences. He had many years' experience in the London Market underwriting Liability and Professional Indemnity business, before establishing IMC. He was the leader of the Insurance Institute of London's Research Groups on Professional Indemnity Insurance (First Edition) and of Liability and Accident Compensation. He was a founder member of the Liability Underwriters Group. Tony lectures and provides training on a range of insurance topics in the London market and worldwide.



**NATASHA LIOUBIMOVA** is Legal Director at Clyde & Co. She acts for insurance companies in relation to a range of liability defence, coverage and subrogated recovery cases, with a particular focus on environmental and product liability claims.



**DAVID PRYCE** is Managing Partner of Fenchurch Law. He founded Fenchurch Law in 2010. It was the first law firm in the UK to specialise exclusively in representing policyholders in insurance coverage disputes. As well as being responsible for running the firm, he is a member of Fenchurch Law's Reinsurance and International Risk practice group and has a particular focus on insurance disputes arising out of large construction projects both in the UK and abroad. David also advises policyholders and brokers with regard to cyber insurance wordings and disputes.



JAMIE SMITH KC practises from 4 New Square. His practice embraces Professional Liability, General Liability, Directors' and Officers' Liability and Cyber Insurances. Jamie also deals with disciplinary and regulatory matters and commercial fraud.



**BARNABY WINCKLER** is a London-based partner in the insurance division of Kennedys. He specialises in providing policy advice on a range of non-marine polices, and acting in coverage disputes on casualty, property and professional indemnity claims. He additionally has substantial expertise defending higher education institutions and schools in the full range of claims they face. He is a member of the Forum of Insurance Lawyers, sits on the Liability Underwriters' Group and the Developing Technology Monitoring Group of the International Underwriting Association of London. Barnaby also sits on the City of London Law Society Insurance law Committee.

## **CONFERENCE INFORMATION**

## DATES 4th - 6th September 2023

4th Sept.	4.00 pm onwards	Registration
5th Sept.	8.00 am onwards 9.00 am	Registration Conference Commences
6th Sept.	3.30 pm	Conference Closes

#### VENUE

The Conference will be held at Robinson College, Cambridge

#### FEES

The fee for the two-day Conference is  $\pm 995.00 + VAT$ . The fee includes accommodation, refreshments, breakfast, lunch, dinner, banquet, Punting on the Cam and any conference documentation.

#### ACCOMMODATION

Student Single Study "en-suite" bedrooms located in the College building.

#### SOLICITORS REGULATORY AUTHORITY CPD SCHEME

This Conference qualifies for Continuing Professional Development

#### **CII CPD SCHEME**

This Conference may be used for the purpose of CPD

#### BOOKINGS

To book places for the Conference, please email: <u>tony.gregory@imc-seminars.com</u> or telephone: +44 (0)1491 872 839 / +44 (0)7712 482 212 or via the website: <u>www.imc-seminars.com</u>

### PLEASE NOTE

Joining instructions will be emailed to all delegates prior to the Conference. If you do not receive these, please contact us to ensure we have registered your booking. It may be necessary for reasons beyond the control of the organisers to change the speakers and/or alter the content and timing of the programme.

If you have any queries, please contact Tony Gregory <u>tony.gregory@imc-seminars.com</u> +44 (0)1491 872 839 or mobile +44 (0)7712 482 212