IRLA International Panel

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Your speakers

HOST - Richard Burrows – IRLA Director/YPG Chairman

Richard is a Partner at Weightmans LLP, Liverpool. He joined the firm in 2011 and specialises in disease claims, acting for a number of legacy insurers, live insurers and self-insured corporates. He has a particular interest in emerging risks, and regularly writes articles for Weightmans' insights publications and has contributed articles to pharmaceutical journals on topics such as the opioid crisis.

Richard is Chairman of the IRLA Young Professionals Committee, as well as a director of the Association, and as part of this role he is responsible for the learning and mentoring opportunities made available to new to legacy members.

Richard is a keen runner, despite the air pollution issues news of which he shares here

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Raeesa Chowdhury – DWF Law

Raeesa is a Partner in the London Corporate team, specialising in domestic and international mergers and acquisitions, private equity transactions and corporate restructuring.

Raeesa has experience of advising on a wide range of corporate and commercial matters, with a particular focus on cross-border mergers and acquisitions (both sell-side and buy-side), private equity and joint ventures, particularly in the insurance and financial services sectors. Raeesa was ranked as a Rising Star in the Legal 500 2022 for London M&A deals up to £50m and was recommended in particular for her M&A work in the insurance and financial services sector.

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Andy Creed – RiverStone International

Andy is RiverStone International's Group Chief Financial Officer overseeing the Finance, Treasury, Actuarial and Acquisitions and Business Development departments for RiverStone International's operations. He joined RiverStone in 2013, prior to which he spent time working both in the Corporate and Investment Banking department of Barclays Bank and the Audit and Assurance practice of PricewaterhouseCoopers, where he qualified as a Chartered Accountant in 2010.

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David Flandro – Howden Re

David is Head of Industry Analysis and Strategic Advisory, Howden Re. In this capacity, he leads Howden Re's, Business Intelligence and Research teams, and Strategic Advisory, International. David has held multiple positions in the sector including Head of Howden Analytics, CEO, Howden Capital Markets, Global Head of Analytics, JLT Re, and Global Head of Business Intelligence, Guy Carpenter. He began his broking career as a credit analyst and industry researcher at Benfield. Prior to this, he was an equity analyst at Merrill Lynch, covering European insurance.

David is frequently involved in major pitches, client relationships, and complex transactions. He is a regular presenter at various industry forums and frequently publishes on multiple topics in the insurance and reinsurance business.

David holds an MBA in financial engineering from MIT.

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Kevin Gill – IRLA Chairman

Kevin was elected to the IRLA Board in 2020 and having passed on the Treasurer role has taken on the Chairmanship to get IRLA through the succession planning of the next few years.

He is a Partner at EY and leads its Insurance Restructuring and Run-off practice as well as heading up its UK corporate simplification and exits business. Kevin is also a Director and Chief Risk Officer of Municipal Mutual Insurance Company Ltd.

Kevin is a Chartered Accountant and a Chartered Insurance Practitioner.

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Nick Crossley – Enstar Group (EU)

Nick is CEO of Enstar EU. Prior to that he was a Managing Director in Enstar's M&A team where he was responsible for the sourcing, pricing and negotiation of transactions including LPTs, ADCs, RITCs, Portfolio Transfers, Entity Purchases etc. His remit spanned from Global transactions through to Local market transactions in UK, Lloyd's, Continental Europe and Australia.

Prior to joining Enstar, Nick led EY's Insurance M&A practice in the UK covering advice to corporates, private equity houses and entrepreneurs across a range of transaction situations including legal entity acquisitions and disposals, carve-outs, capital raises, and distress M&A. He has experience of advising across the entire Insurance value chain from underwriting to distribution. He also gained valuable Legacy experience as an advisor, acting on behalf of global re/insurance groups on the sell-side, as well as supporting private equity houses on their acquisition of legacy acquirers.

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