

# Connecting Knowledge

## Sunday 11 May 2025

18:00 - 19:00 Early bird welcome reception  
Free to make your own dinner plans **Victoria Lounge**

## Monday 12 May 2025

10:00 - 17:30 **Rooms open to all delegates Consort, Lounge & Pavilion**  
Reserved for Sponsors meetings **Albert**

12:45 - 14:30 Press briefing and lunch  
IRLA Chairman & market spokesmen **Regent**

13:00 - 14:00 Open buffet available – all delegates  
Sponsors lunch area **Consort**  
**Albert**

13:30 - 14:15 **Breakout session and lunch**  
**Are you healthy enough to work? (FLP)**  
A conversation with Josh Clamp, TMHN **Pavilion**

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14:30 - 16:30 **Brighton Walking tour - please book with the office**

17:00 - 19:00 **Open welcome reception** **Victoria Lounge**  
Free to make own dinner plans

Hosted by DWF &  
RiverStone International



19:00 - 21:00 **Future Leaders Dinner - pre book only** **Consort**

21:00 - 23:00 Bar open for hotel guests **Victoria Lounge**

## Tuesday 13 May 2025

08:30 - 18:00 **Rooms open to all delegates Consort, Lounge & Pavilion**  
Reserved for Sponsors meetings **Albert**

SESSION MODERATOR PENNY HASLAM, BIT FAMOUS

09:00 - 09:15 Welcome to Congress  
Kevin Gill, IRLA Chairman **Empress Suite**

09:15 - 09:45 **Business Communication; connecting better** **Empress Suite**  
Speaker Lee Warren

09:45 - 10:45 **Navigating the deals landscape** **Empress Suite**  
Chaired by Ali Robson, IRLA YPG  
Speaker(s) Steve Ryland, Acrisure Re, Raeesa Chowdhury, DWF, Dan Sanford, Enstar & Mike Mucher, RiverStone

10:45 - 11:00 Open to all refreshment break  
Reserved for Sponsors meetings **Consort & Pavilion**  
**Albert**

11:00 - 11:30 **Opinion or Fact; the responsibility of knowledge in the 21st century** **Empress Suite**  
Speaker Pete Stone, Woodstone Advisory

11:30 - 12:30 **Live connections: Capital & beyond** **Empress Suite**  
Chaired by Kevin Gill, IRLA  
Speaker(s) Barry Gale, AON, Zameer Mitha, Compre, Till Wagner, DARAG, James Nicholls, DWF & Andy Creed, RiverStone

12:30 - 13:45 Open buffet available **Albert & Pavilion**

12:30 - 13:15 **Breakout session and lunch** **Consort**  
**Finding your purpose as a leader (FLP)**

Led by Emma McConachie, Arete Ventures

13:30 - 14:30 **Breakout session** **Consort**

**Maintaining a Cool Head in Complex Times: 2025 Professional Essentials:**

Workshops led by Lucy Phillips & Paul Brown, FTI

14:30 - 15:30 **Deals; the transactions & operations discussion** **Empress Suite**

Chaired by Louis Isaacson, IRLA YPG

Speaker(s) Kam Hill, Compre, Donna Wayman, Zurich LS & tbc

15:30 - 15:45 Open to all refreshment break  
Reserved for Sponsors meetings **Consort & Pavilion**  
**Albert**

15:45 - 16:45 **Regulators v market; how are we connecting?** **Empress Suite**

Chaired by Pete Thomas, PwC

Speaker(s) George Petropolous, BMA, Sarah Ruberry, BIRLA, Geraint Alexander, EY & Robert Handebo, PRA

17:00 - 17:30 **Breakout session - Tips & hints for your first panel (FLP)** **Consort**

Led by Emma McConachie, Arete Ventures & Penny Haslam, Bit Famous

17:30 - 19:45 Bar open for delegates **Victoria Lounge**

19:45 - 23:00 **Round the World reception & buffet social event** **Empress Suite**

23:00 Bar open for hotel guests **Victoria Lounge**

## Wednesday 14 May 2025

08:30 - 16:00 **Rooms open to all delegates** **Consort & Pavilion**

SESSION MODERATOR NICOLE LAW, IRLA YPG CHAIRMAN

09:00 - 09:05 Welcome back  
Kevin Gill, IRLA Chairman **Empress Suite**

09:05 - 10:00 **The global insurance market and reserving picture: Cool Britannia or 'roaring' twenties?** **Empress Suite**  
Speaker David Flandro, Howden Re

10:00 - 10:30 Hotel check out – storage at The Grand

10:00 - 10:45 **Claims; the never ending story** **Empress Suite**  
Chaired by Karun Deep, IRLA Future Leader  
Speaker(s) David Wynn, DWF, Liam Bedford, Kennedys Robbie Vaughan, RiverStone & Mike Mackenzie, PRO

10:45 - 11:00 Refreshment break **Crush Hall**

11:00 - 12:00 **Market predictions; 'our survey says'** **Empress Suite**  
Chaired by Rebecca Wilkinson, PwC  
Speaker(s) Jennifer Lejeune, Axa LM, Wynne Lawrence, Clyde & Co, Anita Wackerl, Swiss Re & Jane Newton, Xitus

12:00 - 12:30 **Summary from our Future Leaders** **Empress Suite**  
Chaired by Nicole Law, FTI  
Speaker(s) Alex Lanes, Teneo, Rosie Knott, DWF, Ali Robson, EY & Louis Isaacson, PwC

12:30 - 13:30 Finger buffet available **Crush Hall**

16:00 Conference closes

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