

The-Women's-Insurance-Net-Work

4th & 5th February 2016

Woodlands Park Hotel, Woodlands Lane, Stoke D'abernon, Cobham, KT11 3QB



Helen Crofts
Chair and co-founder,
The-Women's-Insurance-Net-Work

Patricia and I look forward to welcoming you to TWIN's first meeting of 2016. We have another varied and engaging agenda for you, combining our usual mix of insurance content and wider business skills. There has been a change to the previously advertised programme, as Vitality Life's CEO, Deepak Jobanputra is no longer able to make the date.

I am therefore enormously grateful to David Robinson, former CEO of Bright Grey, for stepping in at the last minute to share his considerable experience of the journey to the boardroom – a subject many of you have requested recently.

I hope you agree that the agenda looks fresh and exciting – so please come along ready and willing to share your views and help make it a stimulating and thought-provoking meeting.

Thursday 4th February 17.40 - 19.00



Gillian Bridge
Executive Coach and Resilience Consultant

"Resilience in the workplace"

Our first speaker on Thursday evening is Gillian Bridge, an Executive Coach with a particular interest in the subject to resilience in the workplace. Resilience, or the ability to bounce back from challenging or stressful situations has been the subject of academic research for over ten years now, and is increasingly finding its way into workplace training and development programmes.

It could be argued that women face more than their fair share of challenging and stressful situations in today's workplace, so an awareness of the tools and coping mechanisms to thrive amidst the chaos is no bad thing!

Thursday 4th February After dinner speaker



Ruth Tidy
Head of Individual Giving
Peace Direct

"Empowering women and educating for peace"

Our after dinner speaker is not from the world of insurance at all, however has a powerful story to tell about the role of women in bringing peace to war-torn areas of the globe. Our speaker is Ruth Tidy of Peace Direct, an international NGO currently supporting local peacebuilding initiatives in nine countries including Israel, Palestine, Pakistan and Somalia.

Ruth's talk is entitled: "Empowering women and educating for peace".

Friday 5th February 08.35 - 09.40



David Robinson
NED at IMPRESS:
The Independent Monitor for the Press

"From Singular to Plural – a case study in transitioning from Exec to Non-Exec"

I am delighted to welcome David Robinson back to TWIN. This will be David's third appearance at TWIN – a record! As former CEO at protection specialist Bright Grey, former NED and chairman at Engage Mutual (in addition to a wider portfolio of Non-Executive roles), David is well placed to offer his advice on the tricky path from executive to non-executive role. If this isn't a career stage you've yet to contemplate – much like saving for your retirement - it's never too early!

Incidentally, David may also be familiar to you as Chairman of Trustees at "Smalls for All" - David addressed us in 2012 about this terrific charity he was instrumental in getting off the ground.



Paul Bailey
Principal
Aon Inpoint

“Emerging Risks and the opportunities they present”

I recently came across an AON report on emerging risks in the insurance sector over the next five to ten years. High quality risk management in many areas has negated the need for insurance in some of our traditional markets. So where do we go next to seek out profitable growth? I was surprised to see that the number one risk identified was reputation and brand. Less surprising perhaps, we have microinsurance, terrorism and cyber risk.

Principal Paul Bailey has kindly agreed to join us and elaborate not only on the nature of these risks, but also the opportunities they present.



Rebecca Hopkirk
Partner
RPC

“The Insurance Act 2015 – things you need to know”

Turning to matters a little more-heavy duty and technical, Rebecca Hopkirk is a partner with TWIN sponsors RPC and will be bringing us all up to speed with “The Insurance Act 2015 – things you need to know”. (And don’t worry if you weren’t even aware of The Insurance Act 2015 until this point – I can promise you that you weren’t alone!)

The Act comes into effect in August and will represent the greatest change to insurance contract law in over 100 years, in particular seeking to create a new and fairer balance between policyholder and insurer. Rebecca will be highlighting the key points of the Act without bamboozling us with legalese!



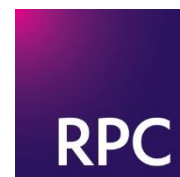
Jeremy Spira
Senior Investment Consultant
Willis Towers Watson

“Cognitive Diversity”

And finally, to close our programme we will be hearing from Jeremy Spira of Willis Towers Watson. With a background in investment strategy Jeremy joined Towers Watson’s “Thinking Ahead Group” in 2013 to focus on innovative thought and new ideas for sustainable, long-term investing.

Jeremy recently shared some interesting new research with the Institute and Faculty of Actuaries’ Diversity Advisory Group, looking in particular at diversity, consumer behaviour and investment decisions. I’m delighted that he is able to share this research with TWIN.

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