

Media Release

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IRLA Announces New 2015/16 Academy programme

The IRLA Academy has produced high quality and cost effective technical training for a number of years and this academic year will be providing 68 hours of accredited Continuing Professional Development courses.

Benjamin Baker MBA, Head of IRLA Academy and Council Member of the Insurance Institute of London has drawn together a team of trainers and committee members that are committed to the provision of education to the membership.

Ben Baker said: *“IRLA is dependent upon the full support of our members’ employers releasing committee members to work on this extensive programme, so I am really encouraged that members find the work of the IRLA Academy so worthwhile. I am looking forward to working with IRLA and specifically Kiran Soar my co-chairman on the Education Committee to establish the Academy as a key part of our members’ technical training programmes.”*

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EDITOR NOTES

IRLA is the UK-based market body for insurance and reinsurance legacy management professionals. IRLA is recognised as the voice of the legacy management sector by a wide range of government and market bodies, including the UK Financial Conduct Authority (FCA), the Prudential Regulation Authority (PRA), Financial Services Compensation Scheme (FSCS), Employers Liability Tracing Office (ELTO) and the Department of Work and Pensions (DWP).

IRLA activities range from industry consultation with government to promotion of the sector's skills and expertise. In particular, the IRLA Academy provides top quality, competitively-priced training that is fully-accredited by the Chartered Insurance Institute, one of the world's premier professional training organisations for the general insurance industry. IRLA has also established a Young Professionals' Group and has its own Awards scheme, designed to promote and recognise excellence in legacy management each year.

With member companies spanning reinsurers and insurers with legacy business (both solvent and insolvent), service providers and associated professionals such as brokers, accountants and lawyers, over the past decade IRLA's membership has also grown and broadened to include companies from Continental Europe and the US. IRLA highlights and reflects the development of the legacy management sector globally.

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