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## Newly Elected International Section Council Members



### **Anna Dyck, FSA, FIA**

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#### **Professional Background**

Having started my actuarial career in New York and Vancouver in pension and international benefits consulting, I have now spent the last five years working in London, U.K., primarily in general insurance and wider non-traditional actuarial areas. Currently, I'm a consultant at PricewaterhouseCoopers and my areas of expertise are model validation and risk management.

#### **Society of Actuaries Experience**

I have been involved in volunteering with the SOA since I qualified as a fellow in 2011, as an Ambassador in the United Kingdom, proctoring local exams and organizing an annual gathering of U.K. SOA members.

#### **Other Relevant Volunteer Experience**

In addition to my involvement in the Society of Actuaries, I am involved in the Canadian community in London, acting as treasurer and founding member of the University of Waterloo London Chapter.

#### **Why are you interested in leading the International Section?**

With a tendency to get involved in organizations and societies, I am really interested in obtaining more of an understanding of how the SOA International Section operates, and helping to lead its future with the energy and experience I've obtained from living abroad.



### **Wendy Liang, FSA, CERA, MAAA**

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#### **Professional Background**

I relocated to Zurich, Switzerland from the United States to work at Swiss Re's global headquarter in 2009. Currently, I work in the Actuarial Control team where we provide independent actuarial oversight at the group level for Swiss Re's liabilities from an economic point of view. In addition to my current role in risk management, I also have an international background in experience studies, having spent a few years working in both the United States and Europe on studies covering life, DI and CI portfolios. Most recently, I completed a short assignment in 2012 to work in our Hong Kong office, covering reporting responsibilities for the Asian countries. Outside of traditional actuarial work, I have also worked in Finance where I managed the annual planning process for our top clients, and

was the L&H expert and business partner for the client executives.

I am a graduate of the University of Michigan and have always been interested in volunteering, both with the SOA as well as with other actuarial and non-actuarial organizations. After becoming a fellow, I volunteered as a grader for the SOA. Earlier this year, I also worked as a moderator at the SOA's Life & Annuity Symposium. I hope that I can give back to the actuarial community through my international experience, having lived and worked in three continents. Together with my passion and energy, I look forward to sharing my experience with the members of the International Section and also among the wider actuarial community.

#### **Society of Actuaries Experience**

- Member of the International, Joint Risk Management and Reinsurance Sections for several years
- Former grader for the SOA
- Recently volunteered as a moderator during the 2013 Life & Annuity Symposium
- I also organize and run all the SOA exams in Zurich, Switzerland, allowing interested local candidates and students to sit for the exams in Zurich.

#### **Other Relevant Volunteer Experience**

I participated in a few actuarial and non-actuarial groups in the United States, including the Chinese Actuarial Club (CAC) where I organized lunch/dinner events in the greater Fort Wayne, Indiana area for local Chinese actuaries. As a graduate of the Leadership Institute of the Young Leaders of Northeast Indiana (YLNI), I was also actively involved with the organization, where we focused on community growth and

personal development of young leaders in the area from a variety of professions. In Zurich, I have started a dinner event for Chinese actuaries and we currently have about 15 people (mostly SOA members!) meeting a few times a year after work.

#### **Why are you interested in leading the International Section?**

Being an SOA member whilst working and living in Europe could sometimes lead to the feeling of being a bit "left out." Yet I would like others to know that one can still be involved and actively volunteer.

Born and raised in Asia until age 16, and living and working now in Europe after having spent many years in the United States, has given me the opportunity to explore a variety of cultures. Through my international experience, I am a firm believer in the value of meeting people, understanding the differences and building relationships. I believe that it is time for me to share my passion with other members in the International Section. Given the SOA's current ongoing effort with overseas initiatives trying to expand internationally, I can definitely see how this ties to my multi-cultural background and experience. If elected, I hope to bring my energy and experience to the section and to give back to the wider actuarial community.



### Lindsay Neu, FSA, EA, MAAA, FCA

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#### Professional Background

I am a manager at Deloitte with nine years of experience working with clients on the valuation and financial management of their pension plans. My non-U.S. retirement plan experience includes advising governments and employers on appropriate plan designs and facilitating coordination with tax and third-party pension benefits for both private and public pension systems, most recently in Armenia.

In addition to my actuarial consulting experience, I have experience mentoring and teaching actuaries both in the United States and abroad. I have developed and taught curriculum on actuarial modeling, funding and accounting calculations, and professionalism. I have also trained local actuaries on the issues related to the emerging pension industry and their role in supporting its development.

#### Society of Actuaries Experience

I am currently a member of the International and Social Insurance & Public Finance Sections of the Society of Actuaries, as well as the Actuaries Without Borders, International Association of Consulting Actuaries, and

Pensions Benefits & Social Security Sections of the International Actuarial Association.

My professional volunteer work and speaking engagements include the following:

In the Spring of 2012, I helped to organize the Actuaries without Borders IAA Fund Seminar in Hong Kong at which I spoke on both volunteer opportunities and the lifecycle of the actuarial organization. Also at the IAA Colloquium in Hong Kong in the Spring of 2012, I co-presented on Armenia's pension reform and my work there related to modeling of the pension system.

In the Fall of 2012, I organized and moderated a panel on emerging market pension trends for the Conference of Consulting Actuaries Meeting.

Later in the Fall of 2012, I was a volunteer curriculum developer and instructor for a course in Azerbaijan on public pension basics co-sponsored by the SOA's International Section and the IAA's Actuaries Without Borders Section.

#### Why are you interested in leading the International Section?

I have a strong interest in international actuarial work and am passionate about building a tightly-knit community from which we can all learn and to which we can all contribute. After volunteering for individual events over the last year, I have decided that I would like to deepen my commitment to the profession by seeking a seat on the International Section Council. □