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## Canadian Liaison for SOA

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I am happy to introduce myself as the Canadian liaison for the Society of Actuaries (SOA). I am really excited to be part of the actuarial community, since I believe that our profession equips us to contribute to the world by bringing some peace of mind to people in all areas of risks. I believe that the world needs leaders with high integrity more than ever and as actuaries, we certainly have the potential to provide unbiased opinions on current societal issues. Since I started in this role a couple of months ago, I have been more involved with our vibrant community of actuaries who connect with each other, share ideas and advance the profession. It is one of my goals to help these engaged actuaries continue to share their passion for our profession with others this year.

I am a fellow of the Canadian Institute of Actuaries and the Society of Actuaries. Prior to joining the SOA as staff, I worked as a pension consulting actuary for 16 years with large global human resources consulting firms. I am located in Ottawa and I travel within North America to connect with other Canadian actuaries, whether at meetings or in their home town. My role is to lead the SOA's professional development, research topics and content development for Canadian members. What I wish to accomplish in this position is to:

- Connect with Canadian actuaries in all areas of practice to find out how the SOA can assist even more in enhancing your experience as an actuary and in complementing your employer's offering of professional development and research;
- To be your point of contact for submitting project ideas to the SOA; and
- To contribute to this great community of actuaries and stakeholders to advance the actuarial profession.

As you know, at the SOA, we offer education material, seminars, webcasts, podcasts, publications, and research material that are relevant to our members around the globe, as well as Canadian-specific content. In particular, the SOA extends its research capabilities to provide expertise, resources and funding to assist in bringing valuable research to Canadian actuaries and the public. For that purpose, we collaborate with the Canadian Institute of Actuaries (CIA). As an example, I encourage you to consult the latest joint research effort between the SOA and the CIA, "*Sustainability of the Canadian Health Care System and Impact of the 2014 Revision to the Canada Health Transfer.*"

If you want ideas on how to stay connected with your actuarial community, you have a project idea, or you have questions or comments on the SOA's offerings in Canada, please contact me at [ebouchard@soa.org](mailto:ebouchard@soa.org) or 613-402-4118. Follow me on the SOA [Twitter](#), [LinkedIn](#) and [SOA Candidate Facebook](#) channels! □