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# Editor's Note

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Welcome to the first 2018 issue of *International News*.

**A**rpita and I have been keen to create a platform where our readers can be informed of the changing global landscape around us, as well as getting exposure to diverse cultures and developments of local actuaries in different continents. This issue has 10 articles contributed by 11 authors. They cover many actuarial societies' activities in countries around the globe. This level of sharing, and advancing the profession, is an excellent way to keep the actuary adaptable in this rapidly changing world.

It is my pleasure to announce the 2017 Country Feature Article Call for Papers winner, Graydon Bennett with "An Island Paradise," and the runner-up, Ronald Klein with "Lifetime Annuity Income is the Key to Life." Many thanks to all authors who submitted their articles for the 2017 contest. Starting with this issue, we will publish the winning papers and a few other selected excellent articles. In this one, Graydon educates us on Guernsey, a country with the most actuaries per Capita, and why he thinks Guernsey is a paradise for actuaries.

Many thanks to all authors who submitted their articles for the 2017 Country Feature Article Contest.

As you can see, this issue is another great collection of articles—and we do hope to see one from you. Please send us your ideas for something new, fun and inspiring. If you are a bit unsure about how to get started, feel free to contact any of our editorial board members and they will guide you through the process. Even better, if you are considering joining as volunteer editor, please contact Arpita or myself. We encourage you to volunteer and help our section to be an even greater success.



In conclusion, I would like to give a special thanks to all 2017 Country Feature Article Call for Papers contest participants, our authors, newsletter editors, and SOA staff for all the hard work they do so we can all enjoy this publication. ■



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