

## **INTERNATIONAL**

*(Vote for up to four candidates)*

Hui Shan

Jasmine Lan

Lin Zhao

Mike Smith

Przemyslaw Szumowski

Maria Zou

Donald MacGillivray

**Hui Shan FSA, MAAA, CERA**  
**Principal**  
**Deloitte Consulting LLP**  
**Hartford, CT**

### **Professional Background**

Hui is a Principal with Deloitte's Actuarial & Insurance Solutions practice. Over his 18 years of experience in actuarial consulting, he has supported insurance clients with a broad spectrum of services ranging from actuarial assumption setting, risk modeling, financial performance analysis, and implementation of emerging standards such as EV, IFRS 17 and LDTI. Hui has served clients in Americas, Asia-Pacific and Europe. Hui is a Fellow of the Society of Actuaries and a Chartered Enterprise Risk Analyst. He is a Member of the American Academy of Actuaries, and holds a Doctoral degree from the University of Connecticut.



### **Society of Actuaries Experience (Section and committee memberships and participation)**

- Section member, SOA Financial Reporting Committee (2021-2023)
- Speaker, SOA IFRI seminars (2022-2023)
- Volunteer to support the SOA in recruiting speakers for webcasts and industry conferences
- Frequent speaker at SOA industry conferences and author of SOA newsletter articles
- Co-author, 2nd edition of the SOA IFRI textbook

### **Other Relevant Volunteer Experience**

- Member, AAA Financial Reporting Committee (2016-2020)
- Speaker at the 2018 IFRS17 seminar hosted by American Academy of Actuaries, Washington DC
- Speaker at the 2018 International Congress of Actuaries, Berlin
- Served as a Corporate Development Officer at Ascend New York Chapter (2018-2020)

### **Why are you interested in leading this section?**

Having the first-hand experience seeing how actuaries across the globe play a broader role in the implementation of new global standards like IFRS 17 and act as trusted advisors to other business functions, I am keen to be a resource to share my global views and support others in the profession to succeed as they embark on cross border activities. I am running for a seat in the International Section Council and would like to contribute to providing networking and educational opportunities for our section members.

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**Jasmine Lan FSA, MAAA, CERA**  
**Senior Consultant**  
**Ernst & Young**  
**Chicago, IL**

**Professional Background**

Jasmine is a Senior in the Insurance and Actuarial Advisory Services (“IAAS”) practice with Ernst & Young. Jasmine has over 8 years of experience in the life & annuity insurance industry. Prior to EY, she was a model developer on UL/Trad Life Modeling team at Genworth Financial. During her time at EY, she assisted clients with LDTI model development and model testing. She provided assistance in development of actuarial policies and application of critical judgements. She also supported the clients to develop AXIS models and test AXIS models. She is familiar with the major actuarial modeling platforms including GGY-AXIS, MG-ALFA, and PolySystems. She also has experience with data analytics tools such as SQL, R, and Alteryx.



**Society of Actuaries Experience (Section and committee memberships and participation)**

Friend, SOA International Section (01/2023 -)

E-Learning Graders, end-of-module assessments and final assessments (03/2020 -)

**Other Relevant Volunteer Experience**

None

**Why are you interested in leading this section?**

I am running for a seat in the International Section Council to contribute to the digital communication enhancements. I became a friend of International Section in January 2023. Since then, I have been working on growing International Section group and expanding International Section LinkedIn site. The group provides opportunities for cross-border international topics or work and to stimulate the exchange and discussion of matters that have international relevance. I am keen to make more contributions to the council for digital communication enhancements.

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**Lin Zhao FSA**  
**VP Pricing and Product Development**  
**Chubb Life**  
**Jersey City, NJ**

**Professional Background**

Lin Zhao is the VP, Life Pricing and Product Development in Chubb Life based in Jersey City, NJ. In this role, Lin oversees actuarial pricing, product development, and business plan execution of Chubb Life’s North Asia and Latin America operations. In addition, Lin brings leadership to update Chubb Life’s pricing methodologies and tools to reflect the expanding range and diversity of its product portfolios as well as regulatory and accounting changes such as IFRS and LDTI.



Before Chubb Life, Lin was an AVP & Actuary in Munich Re Life US in New York. In this role, Lin collaborated with clients, priced life reinsurance solutions, and focused on Accelerated Underwriting (AUW). Before joining in Munich Re in 2019, Lin worked in Prudential Financial for 8 years and rotated in different business units and actuarial functions, including 3 years in Prudential International Insurance. In this international role, Lin leveraged Prudential Annuities’ value proposition and developed innovative retirement income solutions for the Asian market. One of his key contributions was the development of the first US dollar denominated variable annuity with lifetime withdrawal benefits in Korea. Lin started his actuarial career as a valuation actuary with CIGNA International Expatriate Benefits in 2008.

Lin is a Fellow of the Society of Actuaries and a Member of the American Academy of Actuaries. He graduated from University of Pennsylvania with a master's degree in Computational Chemistry in 2008 and from Fudan University (Shanghai, China) with a bachelor's degree in Polymer Materials and Engineering in 2003.

### **Society of Actuaries Experience (Section and committee memberships and participation)**

Secretary/Vice Chair, International Section Council, 2021-Present

### **Other Relevant Volunteer Experience**

Member of the Actuarial Standards Board Life Committee Task Force Reinsurance Pricing ASOP team

### **Why are you interested in leading this section?**

Born and raised in China while educated and working in US, I have had the opportunity to explore different cultures. Throughout my actuarial career, I have almost equally spent my time on the international and US domestic markets and gained broad perspectives by working with actuaries from different countries. The SOA is global in scope with more than 5,500 members and 12,000 candidates outside of North America. Actuaries are called on to work across borders and manage risks for people and organization globally. Every day, US actuaries learn from actuaries from actuaries abroad while at the same time share their own knowledge and expertise. I have the passion to share my prior experience with other members in the International Section, further facilitate educational and networking opportunities for our colleagues across the world and strengthen our connections with actuarial organization in other countries. I was elected to the International Section Council in 2021 and served as the Secretary and Vice Chair since then. I would like to continue contributing the success of the International Section and serving our members.

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## **Mike Smith FSA, FCAS, MCAA, MAAA**

**Independent Consultant / Contractor**

**Retired**

**Palm Valley, FL**

### **Professional Background**

- US Army veteran, 1969-1971
- B.S. S.M. MAAA, FCAS, MCAA, FSA
- Previously employed by: ISO (NYC), Assurant (f/k/a Tillinghast, Towers Perrin)
- Current independent consultant/contractor: self-employed

### **Society of Actuaries Experience (Section and committee memberships and participation)**

Previous:

- SoA Examination 2012-2021
- SoA GI Research, SoA REC
- SoA Committee on Diversity
- SoA Nominating Committee 2019-2021
- Joint CAS/SoA Committee on Career Encouragement and Actuarial Diversity

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Current:

- Friend of the SoA International Section, June 2023-Present

### **Other Relevant Volunteer Experience**

- Casualty Actuarial Society
  - Examinations (previous & current)
  - Liaison to 2002 ICA (previous)
  - Diversity Committee (previous)
- American Academy of Actuaries
  - Extreme Events Committee (Current)
- Academia de Actuarios de Puerto Rico, 2007-2013



- Discipline Committee
- Education Committee
- Co-President 2012-2013
- Caribbean Actuarial Association
  - Board, 2015-2019
  - P&C Committee Vice-Chair, 2012-2015
  - Communications Committee Chair (current)
- International Actuarial Association
  - IACA Board, 2013-2015 and 2016-2019
  - AwB Board Chair 2019-2020
  - General Insurance Committee (previous)
  - A&A Mentorship Task Force (previous)
  - SPC Observer (current)
- Latin America Regional Working Group of the Advice & Assistance Committee (current)
- American Association of Retired Persons Foundation
  - Tax Aide – 5+ years of past service

**Why are you interested in leading this section?**

- International Background and experience, primarily in LAC Region
- Work toward Future Actuarial Growth, particularly in P&C and non-traditional areas
- Long-standing interest in Organizational Governance and Professionalism
- Personal recruitment by Board member
- Strong interest in actuarial expansion in the LAC Region, especially the Greater Antilles
- Interest in advertising profession to indigenous students and professionals in the Americas with aptitude or experience in STEAM areas
- Research interest in actuarial density and actuarial penetration, particularly as related to DEI and the Future Supply and Demand for Actuarial Services
- Continuing interest in actuarial education
- Previous experience with IAA Sections

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**Przemyslaw Szumowski FSA**  
 Associate Director  
 WTW  
 Chicago, IL

**Professional Background**

Przemek is an Associate Director with WTW in the Integrated and Global Solutions line of business. He has worked in the actuarial field for 10+ years helping clients with their retirement benefits. He started his career focusing on U.S retirement and post-retirement welfare plans by managing and completing valuations of complex and simple, single-employer plans. He developed better and efficient processes to save on costs and time for the business. Other responsibilities he had were reviewing and administering benefit calculations and assisting clients with plan governance. Seven years ago, he switched his focus to the international scale working with multinational companies on the design, implementation, financing, and management of non-U.S. benefits and HR policies. Graduated from the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, with a B.S. in Actuarial Science and is a Fellow of the Society of Actuaries.



**Society of Actuaries Experience (Section and committee memberships and participation)**

- Treasurer, Taxation Section Council (2021-2022)
- Member, Taxation Section Council (2020- )
- Member of the following sections: Taxation and International

### **Other Relevant Volunteer Experience**

- Member and volunteer for the Polish American Association, a human services organization providing a comprehensive range of bilingual and bicultural services to the Polish community and others in need.
- Member and Chairman of the Jr. Board of the Polish American Leadership Political Action Committee (2013-2016) for the purpose of addressing social, civic, and business interests of the Polish-American community in the U.S.
- Part of the team that organized the Quo Vadis Chicago leadership conference for young Polish-Americans (2012).
- Volunteered and supported local and state campaigns.

### **Why are you interested in leading this section?**

Having worked with many actuaries across the globe, I would like to bring my experience to the council. We should be understanding what happens abroad as new ideas and innovations can happen anywhere. I would like to support the council to identify key issues and ideas that are happening abroad for actuaries who may not be familiar with areas outside their home country. I hope we can help increase everyone's knowledge with valuable newsletters, webcasts, and insightful research.

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**Maria Zou FSA, FCIA**  
**Senior Product Manager, Public Sector Solutions**  
**Swiss Re**  
**Hong Kong, SAR**

### **Professional Background**

Maria has 11 years of experience in the life and health re/insurance industry. She has extensive international experience working in different teams such as capital management projects (Boston), traditional pricing and valuation teams (Toronto), as well as global system transformation for IFRS 17 covering business in Canada, Australia, Asia Pacific, and South Africa. Most recently in 2022, she relocated to Swiss Re office in Hong Kong, overseeing product development and structuring for public sector clients in Europe, Middle East Africa, and Asia Pacific region.

Maria is a fellow of Society of Actuaries, as well as a fellow of Canadian Institute of Actuaries. She holds a master's degree in finance from Smith/Queen's School of Business.



### **Society of Actuaries Experience (Section and committee memberships and participation)**

- Maria is a friend of both International Section Council and Reinsurance Section Council. (Member of International, Reinsurance and Leadership Section Councils since 2016). Volunteering to speak on webinars and to provide contacts for speakers at various SoA events.
- She is part of the Project Oversight Group for SoA LTC product research project in Asia.
- She has been an active volunteer for the Continuous Education committee since 2015 – a core contributor in Fellowship exam question writing and grading for the Quantitative Finance and Investment track.

### **Other Relevant Volunteer Experience**

- Maria is an active member for Principle for Sustainable Insurance Life & Health working group as part of United Nations Environment Program Finance Initiative, that is jointly publishing the paper "Health is Our Greatest Wealth: How life & health insurers can drive better health outcomes and address the protection gap".
- She sits on the Continuous Education Committee Corporate Life Sub-committee of the Canadian Institute of Actuaries, planning for CIA webinars and speaker sessions at the CIA Annual Meetings and Appointed Actuary Seminars.

### **Why are you interested in leading this section?**

Having worked and lived in various places as an actuary, my passion lies in applying my knowledge and expertise to close the life and health protection gap, especially in emerging markets for underserved communities. I believe in collaboration and exchange across different cultures and perspectives. I will strive to bring in more diversity in the

section's events, to increase exposure of SoA especially in regions outside of Americas, such as Canada, Europe, Middle East, Africa, and Asia Pacific region. With my active involvement in Canadian Institute of Actuaries, as well as other working groups and industry networks, I will leverage resources from these organizations to broaden the knowledge sharing platform for members of International Section.

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**Donald MacGillivray FSA, FCIA**  
**Sun Life**  
**Hong Kong, SAR**

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