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## **Editor's Note**

by Cathy Lyn

would like to start my term as editor by saying that this newsletter a forum to discuss matters that are relevant to the membership. I would like you all to write to me so that I can find out:

- What is happening to you in your actuarial career
- What challenges you are facing both at the local and international level

- Your thoughts on the influences of the commercial world
- How globalization has impacted you professionally
- How you would like to influence actuarial practice in your sphere of operation
- Your opinion on whether prescriptive regulations improve governance and meaningful transparency
- Anything else of interest you would like to tell me.

I would enjoy engaging you in a dialogue regarding your ideas, viewpoints and recommendations. As the number of actuaries working in the international arena increases dramatically and as the forces of globalization take on more momentum, the International Section is well placed to become one of the main leaders to influence and drive our profession in a positive direction for our customers.

The Ambassador Program has a key function linking the International Section Council to the membership in each territory they cover. I have been sending out appeals to all ambassadors to provide an update of the actuarial activity in their country and an account of recent functions or events for publication. I am now contacting people outside the Ambassador Program to send in contributions to the newsletter. Through this exercise, develop a community of leaders who will make a difference.

I must thank Randy Makin for his introduction in the last publication, and let you know that I have moved from Watson Wyatt in Toronto, Canada to Eckler Partners in Kingston, Jamaica. You can contact me at clyn@eckler.ca.

I look forward to hearing from you so we can work together with Marc Slutzky, International Section chairperson, and his fellow council members to help make the section work for you.  $\square$ 

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