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# INARM Yourself (in a Good Way)

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**FOR THOSE WHO DO NOT KNOW,** the International Network of Actuarial Risk Managers (INARM) is the de facto international “arm” (ugh) of the JRMS. More appropriately, it was started by Dave Ingram as an international special interest group open to members of actuarial organizations around the world. It serves as a vehicle to allow members of all actuarial communities to connect in the risk management area and developments worldwide.

INARM is a 21st century virtual organization, consisting of a listserv run by the SOA and a blog site [www.inarm.org](http://www.inarm.org). Those interested in joining the listserv can look under the Listservs link in the JRMS Web site. (It is worth noting that the JRMS is sponsoring the INARM blog Web hosting fees.) The listserv provides updates on INARM

activities and allows participants to engage in e-mail discussion on topics related to Risk Management.

INARM's worldwide members have been very active during the financial crisis. Many

INARM members were authors in the financial crisis essay collection, and others were speakers and attendees for the two international ERM webinars.

Until recently, the listserv was the most active part of INARM. Some of the recent e-mail discussion topics include:

- Securities valuation as an actuarial activity,
- Stress testing,
- Solvency systems worldwide,
- Actuaries as CROs,
- Engineering Control systems and ERM, and
- Conservation of Risk (an Ingram classic).

The blog is a newer undertaking, providing a standing electronic forum for longer form discourse on many critical ERM topics, such as Economic Capital Modeling, Emerging Risks, ERM and Actuaries, Financial Instability and Risk Margins. Everyone is encouraged to visit the INARM blog and contribute to the online discussions.

If successful, this forum can provide a large base of intellectual content for the profession to build upon as we raise our profile in the ERM space.

## THE WAY FORWARD

Up until now, INARM has been steered to be more of a membership network, rather than an affiliation of organizations—that is, a network of individual practitioners, not of representatives of groups (the IAA already fulfills the latter role).

The expectation is if INARM really starts to succeed (early signs are good), there will be a need for a more formal structure. At such time, suggestions will of course be solicited from individuals and from groups that are represented in the participants.

So do your part to raise the profession's ERM profile around the world—INARM yourself today! ♦



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