

IRM Activity Report for POOSH June 2010

The key areas of activity to report for IRM are:

1. **IRM Annual Forum** – we successfully moved our annual conference (now called the Global Risk Management Professional Development Forum) forward from September and the event took place from 19-21 April at Keele University. Although we lost speakers, workshop leaders and delegates to the travel difficulties caused by volcanic ash, there was not too much damage to the event, thanks to contingency plans, clear contract terms and the goodwill and flexibility of our members. 2011 dates are 4-6 April, again at Keele.
2. **Risk Management Awards** – IRM has worked with Perspective, the publishers of our magazine, to launch a new series of annual awards for excellence in risk management. The awards ceremony will take place in London in November. For more details see <http://www.rmprofessional.com/awards/index.html>
3. **Risk Leaders in London Conference** – we are organising a half day conference in London on the morning of Fri 19 November. Aimed at senior risk professionals, CROs, CFOs and those responsible for risk at board level, the conference will address various aspects of the implementation of ERM within an organisation.
4. **Launch of New Fundamentals of Risk Management Course** – this summer we are launching a new two day course providing a general introduction to the subject of risk management and its implementation, including a guide to the provisions of the new ISO31000 standard. The course is aimed at anyone who needs to understand the concepts, tools and techniques of modern enterprise risk management.
5. **Launch of new Risk in Financial Services Module for the International Diploma in Risk Management** – we are currently working on a new specialist Diploma module covering the management of risk in banks and insurance companies. This will be available for the next Diploma intake in October 2010 and can be taken as part of the Diploma course or as a standalone module.
6. **Enrolment** will open again for the Certificate in September and the Diploma in October. Discounts are available to individual members of POOSH organisations who agree to market the qualifications to their members.
7. **New ISO 31000 Standard in Risk Management** – was released at the end of 2009. A practical implementation guide is available from the IRM website. <http://www.theirm.org/ISO31000guide.htm>
8. **New UK Corporate Governance Code** – a new corporate governance code has been issued in the UK by the Financial Reporting Council. IRM has welcomed the sharper focus on the management of risk in the new Code: there is now an explicit requirement for company boards to maintain sound risk management and internal control systems. See <http://www.frc.org.uk/corporate/ukcgcode.cfm>

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