

IRM Activity Report for POOSH June 2012

My apologies for being unable to attend this meeting.

The key areas of activity to report for IRM are:

- 1. Risk Culture** – a group of IRM members is currently producing a guidance document on Risk Culture. The document will, eventually, include some diagnostic tools, backed up by explanations of the various models of risk culture, components of risk culture and work on individual and organisational approaches to risk.
On Tuesday 19 June we have a one day open workshop meeting at which we will be seeking input from a broader range of members and others on the work so far. If any POOSH member organisation would like to send a representative to that meeting please e-mail me.
- 2. IRM Membership and Examinations** – membership is holding up well under current market conditions boosted by some large group schemes from major employers seeking to position themselves as experts in risk management. Examination enrolments are just about holding up. Enrolment closes on 15 June for the November 2012 sittings of our Certificate in Risk Management and our Risk Management in Financial Services qualifications.
- 3. Risk Leaders** – our London based conference, focused on risk at board level, is taking place on 20 November. Our speakers will include Michael Woodford (ex CEO at Olympus, famously sacked for whistleblowing) and Jim Sutcliffe. Jim is the Chairman of the new Codes and Standards Committee at the UK Financial Reporting Council (FRC) and will be responsible for the anticipated review of the 2005 Turnbull Guidance (“Internal Control – Guidance for Directors”) which is expected to be a big issue for the risk and governance community in 2012/13.
- 4. IRM Annual Lecture 2012** will be delivered by the government’s Chief Scientific Adviser, Sir John Beddington. This is taking place at the Willis Building in London on Wednesday 5 December. If you would like an invitation please let me know.
- 5. IRM Forum 2012** – took place at the Midland Hotel Manchester in April 2012. Our star speaker was Swedish futurologist Magnus Lindkvist who gave an excellent presentation on slow change and building on failure – we would certainly recommend him to other associations looking for a speaker.
- 6. Global Risk Awards** – IRM is introducing a new range of awards to recognise international excellence in risk management. More details about categories etc will be issued shortly and the awards ceremony will take place in London in February 2013.
- 7. Online Resource Centre** – IRM has an online resource centre for our members that gives quick, searchable access to documents and web resources on a wide range of risk management subjects. If any POOSH organisations have documents or resources that they would like to make available to IRM members then let me know.

Further details on all of the above are available from www.theirm.org or contact Carolyn.williams@theirm.org