



Evolving Liability Conference 2023

Scanning the Horizon for Emerging Risks

Hosted by Gen Re
29–30 March
Greenwich, Connecticut, USA

Agenda

(V) = virtual speaker

Wednesday, 29 March

Liability Expert Forum (by invitation only)

Location: Regency Mead AB room, Ground level

- 13:30–14:00 **Registration and welcome coffee**
- 14:00–14:15 **Welcome and introductions**
Tim Fletcher, Vice President & Senior Emerging Issues Specialist, Gen Re
Darren Pain, Director Cyber & Evolving Liability, The Geneva Association
- 14:15–15:00 **Session 1: Liability Accumulation Modelling**
Moderator: **Darren Pain**, Director Cyber & Evolving Liability, The Geneva Association

Presentation by **Andrea Scascighini**, Head Casualty Research & Development, Swiss Re^(V)
- 15:00–15:20 **Coffee break**
- 15:20–16:05 **Session 2: Understanding Medical Inflation Trends**
Moderator: **Darren Pain**, Director Cyber & Evolving Liability, The Geneva Association

Panellists:
- **Fergus Craig**, Commercial Director, AXA Health UK^(V)
- **Deb Goldberg**, Head of Healthcare, Lexington Insurance/AIG
- 16:05–16:25 **Coffee break**
- 16:25–17:10 **Session 3 : ESG Regulation and Corporate Liability**

Presentation by **Marek Krowka**, North America Chief Underwriting Officer, AIG
- 17:10–17:15 **Closing remarks**
- 19:00–19:30 **Welcome reception**
- 19:30–22:00** **Welcome dinner**
Location: Hyatt Regency Greenwich, Condes Restaurant

Thursday, 30 March

Main conference

Location: Regency Ballroom, Ground level

- 8:00–8:30 **Registration and welcome coffee**
- 8:30–8:45 **Welcome remarks**
Jad Ariss, Managing Director, The Geneva Association
- 8:45–9:00 **Opening keynote: Many Mountains Yet to Climb for Insurers and Reinsurers**
Charlie Shamieh, Chairman, Gen Re
- 9:00–10:15 **Session 1: Where Do Things Stand on PFAS/Microplastics and Where Are We Heading?**
Chair: **Charlie Shamieh**, Chairman, Gen Re
- Panellists:
- **Neil Beresford**, Partner & Head of Global Product Liability and Recall Practice, Clyde & Co
 - **Adam Grossman**, Vice President Emerging Risk, Praedicat
 - **Rainer Lohmann**, Professor of Oceanography, Marine & Atmospheric Chemistry, University of Rhode Island
 - **Michael Meadows**, Senior Product Manager, Swiss Re
- The session will discuss the latest scientific evidence on the human and environmental effects of these contaminants, recent and prospective litigation that corporates are facing/could face as well as the potential fallout for the re/insurance sector.
- 10:15–10:45 **Coffee break**
- 10:45–11:30 **Keynote speech: Mind the Gap – Is the gap between liability and insurance growing in the U.S.? If so, what should be done about it?**
Tom Baker, William Maul Measey Professor, University of Pennsylvania Carey Law School
- 11:30–12:45 **Session 2: Climate Change Litigation – How material are the liability risks?**
Moderator: **Maryam Golnaraghi**, Director Climate & Environment, The Geneva Association
- Panellists:
- **Nigel Brook**, Partner, Clyde & Co^(V)
 - **Ina Ebert**, Leading Expert Liability & Insurance Law, Munich Re
 - **Lucian McMahon**, Senior Manager Liability Analytics, Verisk Extreme Event Solutions
 - **Joana Setzer**, Assistant Professorial Research Fellow at the Grantham Research Institute on Climate Change & the Environment, LSE^(V)

The session will examine how far litigants are succeeding in establishing corporate liability for climate change, including claims that firms failed to prevent or adequately adapt to climate change, or provided misleading disclosures about their climate-related green credentials or performance. What are the prospects for future litigation? How should re/insurers think about the liability risks that might migrate to their balance sheets?

- 12:45–14:00 **Networking lunch**
- 14:00–15:00 **Fireside chat: Moves Towards the Metaverse – Implications for liability insurance**
Moderator: **Darren Pain**, Director Cyber & Evolving Liability, The Geneva Association
Christopher Sirota, Product Manager of Emerging Issues & Innovation, Verisk Analytics
- 15:00–15:10 **Coffee break**
- 15:10–16:25 **Session 3: Third-party Litigation Funding – Friend or foe?**
Chair: **Anthony Sebok**, Joseph and Sadie Danciger Chair in Law & Co-Director, Jacob Burns Center for Ethics in the Practice of Law, Cardozo Law School
- Panellists:
- **Susanne Augenhof**, Professor of Law, University of Innsbruck
 - **Fiona Chaney**, Senior Investment Manager & Legal Counsel, Omni Bridgeway
 - **Harold H. Kim**, Chief Legal Officer, U.S. Chamber of Commerce
 - **Jane Mandigo**, Senior Vice President, Swiss Re
- The session will discuss the latest trends in Third-party Litigation Funding (TPLF) and how it fuels litigation and boosts claim settlements. How can its benefits, including widening access to legal redress, be harnessed while reducing frivolous lawsuits and/or extortionate payouts?
- 16:25–16:30 **Closing remarks**
Darren Pain, Director Cyber & Evolving Liability, The Geneva Association
- 15:00–16:15 **Farewell drinks**