

Invitation to a Course on Actuarial Modelling

30th September 2009 to 3rd October 2009
Salzburg University

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- Dates:** Wednesday, 30th September, 9.00 – 17.30
Thursday, 1st October, 9.00 – 17.30
Friday, 2nd October, 9.00 – 17.30
Saturday, 3rd October, 8.00 – 11.00
- Contents:** The course covers all aspects of actuarial modelling required to become a fully qualified actuary according to the education syllabus of the International Actuarial Association and the core syllabus of Groupe Consultatif, according to the regulations of the Actuarial Association of Austria (AVÖ), as well as according to the regulations of the German Actuarial Association (DAV). For continuing professional development (CPD) the course counts as 21 hours. A survey on the application of models in insurance will be given, starting with basic definitions, the classification of models and an introduction to the modelling process („Actuarial Control Cycle“). The focus will be on the objectives, selection, calibration and critical review of models in practice. By examination of typical examples and an extended case study the fundamental models used in life and non-life insurance will be presented, and their components, structure, functionality, areas of application and relevance in an insurance company will be illustrated. The course is designed not only for actuarial students, but also addresses experienced practitioners. Basic knowledge of insurance mathematics is required. Please find the structure of the course below.
- Course fees:** €480 without hotel accommodation, €840 with accommodation from Tuesday to Saturday (4 nights) in the Castellani Parkhotel including breakfast. Lunches and coffee breaks are included in the fees for all participants.
- Information:** For further information, please contact Sarah Lederer by fax (+43 662 8044 155) or e-mail (sarah.lederer@sbg.ac.at) with your telephone number. Your questions will be answered as soon as possible.

Registration: Please send the attached registration form by post or fax it to +43 662 8044 155, and arrange for the amount to be transferred (at no cost to the recipient) to the following account before 28th August 2009. After this date registration with hotel accommodation is only possible upon request. The registration and payment deadline for participants who do not need accommodation is 11th September 2009.

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Location: Lecture Hall 402 in the Faculty of Science
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Course Structure

1. Basic concepts of modelling

- Definition and components of a model
- Characteristics of models in insurance
- The Actuarial Control Cycle

2. Models in life insurance

- The profit test as an example for a micro model
- Transition from the profit test to a model for the whole portfolio (components, structures, applications)
- Construction of a model for business in-force and new business
- Applications of liability models (e.g. Embedded Value, corporate planning, valuation of a life insurance portfolio)
- Basic concepts of an asset/liability model
- Applications of asset/liability models

3. Models in non-life insurance

- General concepts and discussion of selected models in non-life insurance
 - Individual and collective model for the stochastic modelling of claims
 - Examples of models in non-life insurance
- Models for corporate planning and valuation
- Components and structure of a non-life insurance company model for Dynamic Financial Analysis (DFA)
 - Basic concepts and structure of an asset/liability model in the non-life context
 - Stochastic modelling of gross claims (attritional claims, large claims, natural catastrophes), validation and plausibility checks
 - Reinsurance model
 - Reserving risk
 - Modelling of dependency structures
 - Modelling of the development of claims over time
 - Corporate model
- Applications of a DFA model, e.g.
 - Calculation of ruin probabilities
 - Cost of Capital, Risk Adjusted Returns, Economic Value Added (EVA)