



IRM UAE Regional Group

Those intending to participate are kindly requested to inform the regional group secretary on portellijames@gmail.com to make sure that we can accommodate all attendees. Thank you.

Regional Group Meeting

2nd Meeting – 25th March 2010 (18:00 to 20:00)

Venue: Oman Insurance Company PSC Head Office, Block W5 Wing B, Floor 8th, Dubai Airport Free-zone (DAFZA), Dubai. *

Agenda:

17:30: Registration.

(We are aiming for a prompt start at 18:00 in view of what needs to be covered)

18:00: Introduction of speakers

18:10: **2009 Regional BCM Survey** conducted by Mr. Eddie McLaughlin and/or Mr. Volker Widdern, Marsh Risk Consulting

Highlights of the Presentation

- The findings of the recent Marsh Business Continuity Benchmarking survey in the Middle East will be discussed with special emphasis given to maturity level of BCM in the region, various BCM infrastructures implemented, integration of BCM with supply chain risks, the elements that are driving or preventing BCM in the organisations and conformance to standards.
- Survey responses will be further analyzed to reveal underlying challenges to implement BCM and to address discrepancies between the reality and the perception of organisations.
- Practical challenges will be addressed and recommendations will be provided during the Q&A session.
- Q&A

18: 50: **The Institute of Risk Management: Recent Developments** conducted by Mr. Steve Fowler and Ms. Sophie Williams, CEO and Deputy CEO respectively at IRM.

- Recent Developments
- Q&A

19:40: Follow-up on 1st meeting matters arising by regional group secretary (Mr. James Portelli)

19:50: Conclusion by regional group chairman (Mr. Moh'd Al Otaibey)

20:00: Light refreshments

* DAFZA is between Dubai Airport Terminal 2 and the Airport Tunnel /Underpass on Al Quds Street. Al Quds Street is parallel to Airport Rd.



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BCM Presentation Speakers:

Eddie McLaughlin

Managing Director, Marsh

Eddie McLaughlin is Head of Strategic Risk EMEA driving growth in strategic risk consulting offerings across EMEA. In addition, he is the Global Practice Leader of Modelling Analysis and Design and leads the 'senior business development' resource in Risk Consulting.

Eddie started his full-time career as a consultant in risk management working for a pre-eminent firm of Management Consultants where he gained his professional qualifications and memberships - the Institute of Actuaries, Institute of Risk Management and Chartered Insurance Institute. He holds both a BA and an MA degree. He is the holder of two corporately sponsored professional awards in the field of risk management –Risk Analysis and Risk Financing.

He specialises in the creation of client specific actuarial, financial and risk decision making models and computer based simulations. He has extensive financial modelling, risk management and financial engineering solutions (ART) experience. He is a 'certified loss reserve' specialist for two Bermuda based companies (requiring domicile authorisation) and is a Spanish speaker.

Volker Von Widdern

Managing Director, Marsh

Volker joined Marsh SA as Director – Marsh Advanced Risk Solutions (MARS) in 2002 and has established and integrated risk finance, captive advisory and operational risk consultancy. He is a member of the Marsh SA Board, and serves on various Committees, Insurance Captive Boards and as a Trustee of the Pension Fund. He is now responsible for the risk consulting practices in South Africa and the Middle East. Volker has delivered a variety of ERM and ART projects for Marsh clients in various regions since 2002.

Volker completed his articles of clerkship at Deloitte Haskins & Sells where he attained the position of Audit Manager. Volker obtained his professional qualification as a Chartered Accountant at the Institute of Chartered Accountants in 1988. After qualifying, his commercial experience involved various finance company and financial service activities.

Volker was appointed to the board of the SA Insurance Association in December 2000 and is the chairman of its cell captive / ART sub committee. He joined the Board of Alexander Forbes (Africa) in 2001 and he completed his MBA at Henley (London) in 2001.

Volker is a member of The Institute of Chartered Accountants, The Association of Corporate Treasurers, The Society of Risk Managers and The Institute of Directors.