



PRA Practitioner Panel Insurance Sub-committee Terms of Reference

Introduction and Membership

1. The PRA Practitioner Panel (the Panel) and Panel Insurance Sub-committee (Sub-committee) are established by the Prudential Regulation Authority (PRA) under section 2L of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (the Act) to represent the interests of practitioners. The Panel and Sub-committee are independent of the PRA.
2. The Prudential Regulation Committee appoints such Sub-committee members representing PRA-authorized persons as it considers appropriate. Relevant trade associations and market representatives will be consulted and invited to provide nominations. Members of the Panel nominated from the Association of British Insurers will also be invited to serve on the Sub-committee. Other Panel members will be able to attend individual meetings of the Sub-committee if a relevant topic arises.
3. Members will serve a term of 3 years (a term), which is renewable for one additional term at the discretion of the members' respective trade association and the Prudential Regulation Committee.
4. The PRA provides secretariat support to the Sub-committee.
5. Meetings of the Sub-committee will be chaired by one of the Panel members who also sit on the Sub-committee.

Role and Purpose

6. Having been established under section 2L of the Act, the Sub-committee will be consulted as part of the PRA's arrangements for effective consultation with PRA authorized persons on the extent to which the PRA's policies and practices related to the insurance sector are consistent with the PRA's general duties under sections 2B to 2H of the Act. Policies and practices related to either the banking sector or covering both banking and insurance sectors will be discussed at the Panel. The PRA will consider representations that are made to it in accordance with section 2N of the Act.
7. The Sub-committee does not carry out responsibilities on behalf of the PRA, and does not seek to duplicate the work of trade associations.
8. The Sub-committee will review the impact of the PRA's policies in relation to the insurance sector insofar as they affect regulated firms, individuals and markets, responding and providing feedback to the PRA at an appropriate stage of the policy development process, as detailed below:
 - a. The PRA will ensure effective consultation with the Sub-committee as part of the public consultation process and will consider any representations made to it by the Sub-committee.
 - b. The PRA will provide for additional engagement with the Sub-committee, as need be, during the public consultation period.
 - c. The PRA may also consult the Sub-committee prior to public consultation on significant and cross-sectoral policy issues related to the insurance sector, where views from across the industry, as represented by the Sub-committee,



are likely to be beneficial in the policy development process. Such pre-consultation is likely to occur only for policy issues where the Panel's breadth of expertise would provide significant added value, and would not be a routine step in issuing PRA Consultation Papers.

- d. The PRA will keep the Sub-committee informed of the upcoming consultation schedule.
 - e. The Sub-committee may request pre-consultation on policy issues prior to public consultation. Such pre-consultation may take place at the PRA's discretion.
9. The Sub-committee will be active in bringing to the attention of the PRA issues which members feel are likely to be of major significance or controversy for the PRA and its objectives.

Relationship between the Panel and Sub-committee

10. Information will be shared between the Sub-committee and the Panel. The Panel will have sight of the Sub-committee's forward agenda and will receive a debrief of each Sub-committee meeting at the following Panel meeting.

Accountability

11. The Sub-committee shall contribute to the Practitioner Panel's Annual Report.
12. In addition, members of the Sub-committee will, when appropriate opportunities arise, report informally on its work to practitioners and trade bodies.