

## Actuarial Society 2017 Convention

17-18 October 2017

Sandton Convention Centre



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Have you registered yet? The standard fee ends on 31 July 2018, so get in quick and [register now](#). See below for just some of the reasons you don't want to miss out on this year's Convention.

#### Cyber crime

You may be aware of the latest ransomware attack referred to as 'Petya'. This ransomware like the previous WannaCry attacks in May of this year, blocks access to the affected computer or its data and demands a release ransom payment in a crypto currency like bitcoin. Cyberrisk has clearly become a real threat to the financial services industry and many companies find themselves inadequately prepared to protect themselves against this pervasive risk. At this year's convention Riekie Gordon will help you to better understand this critical new risk.

The talk will provide international and cross sectorial cybersecurity insight aimed at assisting you in better understanding cyberrisk. In addition less known or second-order resultant effects caused by cyber breaches will also be addressed, as well as insight into existing cybersecurity insurance protection that companies have at their disposal.

Finally, Riekie will talk about the expected future developments in this area and what companies can do to adequately prepare for the evolving and growing cyberrisk landscape.

#### Athol Williams earns Oxford University Distinction

Our closing plenary speaker, Athol Williams, a South African poet who grew up during apartheid in Mitchells Plain, has earned a distinction from Oxford University for his Master's thesis. He is the first person to receive Master's degrees from five of the top universities in the world, including Harvard, London Business School and Oxford University. [Read more here](#).

Be sure to stay for his talk entitled "A Life of Possibilities: Me, You, Us" on Wednesday, 18 October at 03:00 PM in Ballroom 1/50 of the Sandton Convention Centre.

Regards,

The 2017 Convention Organising Committee

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