

## Actuarial Society Update – September 2018

### Key Dates for the Year

Event	Cape Town	Johannesburg	Other venue	
<b>Seminars</b>				
Life	8 May	10 May		
Health		15 May		
Investments		30 Aug		
Retirement		6 Aug		
Short term		7 Sept		
Risk mgt		26 Sept		
Banking		31 July		
Education		14 Sept		
Wider fields		12 Sept		
<b>IAA meetings</b>			Berlin	30 May – 03 June
			Mexico City	27 Nov - 02 Dec
<b>ICA 4 yearly Congress</b>			Berlin	04-08 Jun
<b>Annual general meeting</b>	20 June	20 June		
<b>Convention</b>	24-25 Oct			
Africa Seminar	23 Oct			
A100/A200 & F106 exams	16-27 April & 17 Sept – 28 Sept			
A301 exams	2-3 May & 3-4 Oct			
A302 exam	11 May & 24 Oct			
F201-F206 exams	18 May & 22 Oct			
F101-F105	23 May – 1 June & 31 Oct – 12 Nov			

### Election time

Members who have not yet voted in the annual ASSA election, are reminded to do so before the close of business on **Friday 19 October**. Although this is a mid-term election (as the Americans would say), there is a lot at stake for the profession. All members have a vote in at least one of the 3 elections:

Fellow members (FASSA) may vote for the Council members (4 candidates for 2 positions) and the newly qualified Council member (2 candidates for 1 position).

Student and Technical members (TASSA) may vote for the Student observer on Council (5 candidates for 1 position)

Associate members (AMASSA) may vote for the Fellow and newly qualified members as well as the Student member.

If you have not yet received your usernames and passwords for the election and emails directing you to the websites for the elections you are entitled to participate in, contact Wim Els ([wels@actuarialsociety.org.za](mailto:wels@actuarialsociety.org.za)). Before contacting Wim, check your Clutter and Junk folders as many of our election emails have been sent to these folders.

### **Credit cards**

Members can now pay for all ASSA services purchased online using credit cards. This includes all education services, event registrations and the annual renewal.

### **Convention**

For those who have yet to register, the annual convention will be in Cape Town on 24 and 25 October. To date 1 322 delegates have registered. There is a diverse and interesting programme with the closing panel to be addressed by former Public Protector, Professor Thuli Madonsela. If you haven't yet registered, you can do so at <https://www.actuarialsociety.org.za/assa-convention/registration/>.

### **Update – ASSA curriculum 2019**

The IAA introduced a new syllabus for the Associate level (A level) subjects for 2019. ASSA's alignment with the new syllabus is well underway and will largely maintain the alignment with the IAA and IFoA syllabus, but will implement 2 important deviations from the IFoA syllabus structure:

1. The IFoA will combine the Contingencies and Financial Mathematic subjects into 1 larger subject called Actuarial Mathematics (CM1). ASSA will retain this as 2 subjects in 2019, called Mathematics for Finance (A211) and Contingencies (A213).
2. ASSA has also decided to maintain the current (i.e. as for subject A301 in 2018) syllabus, exam structure and study notes for the Actuarial Risk Management (A311) subject in 2019. The new syllabus for A311 will be implemented with some SA localisation in 2020.

The final ASSA curriculum structure and information for studies in 2019 is available on the website:

[Web page](#)

**CPD**

All fellow, Associate and students of more than 10 years standing are reminded of the importance of CPD and of making CPD declarations annually – even if you are operating on a 2-year CPD cycle.

Regards



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