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Insurance Claims Processing 2008

Driving Efficiency, Cost Reductions and Achieving Excellence in Service Delivery

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Pranav Pasricha, Executive General Manager: Strategy & Technology
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Richard Poole, National Group Insurance Claims Manager
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ATTEND THIS IN-DEPTH FORUM TO:

- **DISCOVER** best practice techniques for **greater operational efficiency**, accuracy and speed
- **LEARN HOW** to leverage technology to **reduce cost** and translate IT investment into business benefit
- **GAIN INSIGHT** into innovative and flexible solutions to attain consistency in your approach and delivery
- **OBTAIN** the key **maximisers of customer service delivery**
- **BENEFIT FROM** discussing how others are profiling claims, improving their decision-making capability and driving industry standards

DON'T MISS OUR INTERACTIVE MASTERCLASSES:

Masterclass A:

Extracting Maximum Value from Straight Through Processing (STP) and Automated Claims Management

Facilitated by: **John Williams**, Senior Manager: Business Systems **BT INSURANCE**

Masterclass B:

Streamlining Operations to Achieve Greater Functionality and Improved Business Processes on a Day-to-Day Basis

Facilitated by: **Dave Williams**, Chief Information Officer **BANKWEST & ST ANDREWS GROUP**

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Find Out How You Can Dramatically Reduce Your Processing Cost

Benchmark Against Australian Leaders

Dear Claims Professional,

Reducing processing costs and improving efficiency are essential steps in remaining competitive. How are you tackling this challenge?

The integration of new technology, advancement of customer services and transformation of existing claims processes are significant challenges. The need to secure senior management support for technology investment and create trust and deliver excellent service is fundamental in retaining customers and essential business.

Insurance Claims Processing 2008 will look at how your organisation can gain a competitive edge through improved processes. You will discover how differentiating your service through the utilisation of technology will deliver improved customer service agreements, minimise risk and effectively manage workflow.

Join us to benefit from a range of innovative technological and strategic views on technology adoption.

You can evaluate different processing approaches driving the evolution of back-end systems and claims handling.

Attend Insurance Claims Processing 2008 to evaluate your next step and discuss cost-saving techniques with best practice implementers and innovators from across the insurance sector!

Featuring case studies, insights and inspiring presentations from:

- **QBE AUSTRALIA** discussing strategies to manage workflow and consolidate information for increased productivity
- Securing senior management support through a robust business case by **BT INSURANCE**
- **TOWER AUSTRALIA** looking ahead to claims handling transformation
- Driving service excellence with electronic case files at **AIG LIFE**
- **NIB HEALTH FUNDS** leveraging automation technology to realise bottom-line savings
- **ZURICH AUSTRALIA** assessing how to raise standards of practice and service delivery

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I look forward to meeting you at Insurance Claims Processing 2008 in October.

Best regards,
Kate Tappin
Conference Director, IQPC



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Exploit this Excellent Opportunity to Meet and Discuss the Latest Innovation and Developments in Claims Processing with your Peers.

This forum has been specifically developed for Chief Officers, Directors, General Managers, Managers and Heads of:

- Claims Processing
- Business Operations
- Process Improvement
- Information Technology
- Information and Data Management
- Risk Management

DAY ONE AGENDA: Wednesday, 29 October 2008

8:30 Registration and Coffee

9:00 **Opening Remarks from the Chair**

Margaret Dennis, Manager: Claims Training and Development **ASTERON**

STREAMLINING PROCESSES FOR INCREASED OPERATIONAL EFFICIENCY

9:10 **Securing Senior Management Support Through a Robust Business Case**

- Communicating the need for process agility and investment to senior management
- Building a business case through proven return on technology investment
- Highlighting the advantages of reduced cost and increased productivity
- Gaining top-level support for IT projects and change management

John Williams, Senior Manager: Business Systems **BT INSURANCE**

9:50 **Identifying Key Factors to Reduce Claims Lifecycles and Drive Process Improvement**

- Auditing your existing claims cycle to identify sources of error and inaccuracies
- Understanding how the decision-making capability of staff can impact on your business
- Raising standards of practice and service to ensure your claims handling is consistent with the General Insurance Code of Practice
- Looking ahead to claims handling transformation

Megan Beer, Chief Risk Officer & Acting CEO: Retail Life **TOWER AUSTRALIA**

David Joyce, National Quality Assurance Manager **ZURICH AUSTRALIA**

Garry Toms, Claims Manager Australia & New Zealand **RGA AUSTRALIA**

10:30 Morning Tea and Networking

11:00 **Streamlining Processes and Improving Claims Processing Techniques at RGA Australia**

- Streamlining operations to dramatically reduce processing times and enhance service delivery
- Outlining the active claims management strategy at RGA Australia
- Ensuring performance, profitability, efficiency and service standards are achieved
- Achieving operational excellence and adding tangible business value to the organisation

Garry Toms, Claims Manager Australia & New Zealand **RGA AUSTRALIA**

11:40 **Identifying Opportunities for Process Improvement and Strategies for Effective Implementation**

- Streamlining internal processes to generate business value
- Realising bottom-line savings that allow you to compete in an evolving insurance market
- Managing your projects with informed planning and project KPIs
- Aligning process development with the strategic business view to secure and sustain senior management support for investment

Wendy Scott, Executive Manager: Project and IT Services **RACQ INSURANCE**

12:20 Lunch and Networking

ALIGNING PEOPLE, PROCESSES AND TECHNOLOGY TO CAPITALISE ON IMPROVED CLAIMS HANDLING

1:30 **Overcoming the Technology Challenges in Integrating the New with the Old**

This session will explore moving from a mainframe centric insurance processing model to an extended value chain including suppliers.

- Exploring the technology challenges; factoring to extend the realisation of the "insurance promise"
- Managing systems to ensure they are available and stable
- Tackling people challenges - retaining the talent and increasing engagement

Peter Lirantzis, Senior Manager: Claims & Finance. Business Technology Services: Personal Insurance **INSURANCE AUSTRALIA GROUP (IAG)**

2:10 **Safeguarding Against High Error Rates, Inaccuracies and Inconsistency**

This session facilitates interactive group working and provides learning points on the key challenges and solutions to assist in better information and data management.

- How can we achieve claims process transparency and effectively manage workflow?
- Which techniques improve the claims cycle time and speed to market?
- Where do quality issues arise and how can reducing data entry points minimise business risk?
- How to meet compliance requirements and accountability

Facilitated by the Chair

2:50 Afternoon Tea and Networking

OPTIMISING SERVICE DELIVERY TO REALISE COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGE

3:20 **Providing a Strategic View on the State of the Insurance Industry and KPIs for Customer Service Success**

- Keeping pace with a service-oriented and increasingly customer-centric industry
- Evaluating the changing face of insurance claims processing
- Taking the next step towards twenty-first century customer service delivery
- Aligning people, processes and technology to exploit innovation and extract maximum business benefit

Helen Coyer, Chief Operations Officer **QSUPER**

4:00 **Dispelling the Myth of Conflict Between Customer-Centricity and Good Risk Management**

The claims experience is increasingly important - how should claims departments adapt?

- Focusing on customer propositions
- Exploring customer benefits from profiling
- Optimising speed in the claims experience
- Enhancing communication

Neil Borthwick, Claims Team Manager: Life Risk **ASTERON**

4:40 **Improving the Claims Experience with Efficient On-line Claiming at Medicare**

- Providing customers with the tools and access to accurate information within an efficient and secure framework
- Identifying data quality issues to minimise errors and business risk
- Delivering exceptional customer service and rising to meet customer expectations
- Deriving business benefit from your customer communication strategy

Mark Jackson, Executive General Manager: Business Solutions & Operations **MEDICARE AUSTRALIA**

5:20 Closing Remarks from the Chair 5:30 Close of Conference Day One

8:30 Registration and Coffee

9:00 Chair's Welcome Back

Wendy Scott, Executive Manager: Project and IT Services **RACQ INSURANCE**



FOCUSING ON CUSTOMER SERVICE

9:10 Developing Client Relations to Deliver in 'The Moment of Truth'

- Being proactive in meeting the needs of the customer
- Maintaining a brand profile across disparate sites and mainframes to retain consistency and integrity
- Investing in an inclusive approach to the market and delivering on customer service
- Achieving outstanding customer retention levels

Gerard McGreevy, Chief Operating Officer **ACCIDENT COMPENSATION CORPORATION (ACC)**



9:50 Transforming the Client Interface to Provide Real-Time Claims Monitoring Facilities

- Driving service excellence with electronic case files at AIG
- Exploiting on-line technology to communicate through various channels for maximum exposure and service delivery
- Evaluating the impact of investing in a web presence for claims management

Richard Poole, National Group Insurance Claims Manager **AIG LIFE**



10:30 Morning Tea and Networking

REDUCING PROCESSING COST WHILST MAXIMISING DELIVERY

11:00 Evaluating Practices and Techniques to Profile Available and Innovative Cost-Saving Solutions

Reducing expenditure is an ever present business concern increasingly in times of economic downturn. Techniques to streamline claims processing are available but identifying how to unlock the full potential and harness the cost advantages are a growing challenge.

Key topics include:

- Deploying techniques to accelerate claims processing, improving performance and reduce cost
- Strategies to manage workflow and consolidate information for increased productivity
- Overcoming the challenge of legacy systems to achieve data consolidation and eliminate information silos
- Can outsourcing be an effective cost-saving solution in the long-term?

Pranav Pasricha, Executive General Manager: Strategy & Technology **QBE AUSTRALIA**

Vivek Bhatia, Chief Information Officer **WESFARMERS INSURANCE DIVISION**

Richard Poole, National Group Insurance Claims Manager **AIG LIFE**

Stephen McMullan, Assistant Vice President: Claims & Liability Management

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11:40 Making Cost-Efficiency Savings that Affect and Deliver Key Business Outcomes

- Leveraging automation technology to minimise processing expenditure on labour-intensive tasks
- Embedding decisioning capabilities in your strategy
- Realising bottom-line savings that allow you to compete in an evolving market
- Outlining lessons learnt from selecting and implementing automisation technologies

Melanie Kneale, Chief Operating and Technology Officer **NIB HEALTH FUNDS**



12:20 Lunch and Networking

EMBRACING CHANGE AND PROCESS MODERNISATION

1:20 From Data to Decision, the Source to Solution Continuum

- Exploring the role and applicability of predictive analytics for claims processing
- Mitigating risk through a complete view of the customer
- Utilising business intelligence to understand claims processing and link to strategic intent
- Measuring success - performance measurement & management with dashboards

Paul Ormonde-James, President: The Data Warehouse Institute (TDWI) & Intelligence Institute Australia & Head of Group Intelligence **MBF**



2:00 Claims and the Importance of Delivering on the Broker's Promise

- Developing a pro-active approach
- Mitigating exposures and finding alternative solutions
- Investing in accuracy and reliability
- Improving our customers' bottom line

Effy Dimos, Head of Claims **BENFIELD GROUP**



2:40 Afternoon Tea and Networking

3:10 Building Green IT and Sustainable IT Practices into Your Process Improvement Strategy

- Understanding how sustainability, climate and information technology can impact on today's operations
- What should be on your wish list for a green IT policy?
- Reducing your carbon footprint - real examples, real savings achieved at IAG
- Pitching the case - it's not just about being green

Greg Rowntree, Manager Technical Support Services: Technology Services

INSURANCE AUSTRALIA GROUP (IAG)



3:50 Closing Remarks from the Chair 4:00 Close of Conference

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- 1 Complete exposure to Senior Decision Makers from claims, IT and operations functions from leading insurance organisations.
- 2 We actively maintain a reduced vendor ratio, which creates a more intimate environment for networking and knowledge sharing.
- 3 14+ confirmed industry speakers. At Insurance Claims Processing 2008 the majority of professionals participating have first-hand experience of the issues under discussion.
- 4 Extensive networking opportunities, allowing for face-to-face interaction with the heads of your target market.
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9:00am - 12:00pm

Extracting Maximum Value from Straight Through Processing (STP) and Automated Claims Management

Reducing processing times by automating claims management across the business

With any back-end process from application to settlement, it is extremely challenging to achieve STP across the entire claims value chain. This interactive tutorial will review best practice for insurance claims processing STP and the automation of processes. You will explore:

- How can STP be utilised in back-end processing today?
- Building on existing technology with automated low-worth, high-volume process solutions
- Achieving claims process transparency and effectively managing workflow
- How will STP and automated claims revolutionise your business?

About your executive workshop leader:



John Williams, Senior Manager: Business Systems **BT INSURANCE**

John has almost 40 years experience in general insurance. He has worked with variety of insurers in Australia, New Zealand, Europe and South East Asia, specialising in IT projects for the past 20 years.

John currently manages all general insurance applications for BT Insurance (Westpac's insurance arm). He is responsible for all application support and development and most recently worked to select and implement an automated claims system.



1.00pm - 4.00pm

Streamlining Operations to Achieve Greater Functionality and Improved Business Processes on a Day-to-Day Basis

Evaluate how your organisation can achieve process optimisation

The desire to optimise business processes inevitably leads to questions surrounding which solution: automation technology, outsourcing etc. will best fit your organisation. This interactive workshop will cover how to introduce customer-focused process improvement to the organisation, identify process leakages, define process performance metrics and identify technology enablement opportunities. Given that the integration of new technology with legacy systems can prove costly and time-consuming. Avoid making the wrong decision by joining in-depth workshop where we will explore proven techniques to decide which option suits the needs of your organisation with an open and frank look at the various service offerings. You will leave equipped with the in-depth understanding of how to proceed with process re-engineering and modelling that's right for your organisation.

About your executive workshop leader:



Dave Williams, Chief Information Officer **BANKWEST & ST ANDREWS GROUP**

Dave is Chief Information Officer for Bankwest & St Andrews Group - Australian subsidiaries of HBOS – one of the 10 largest financial services companies in the world, and the largest mortgage lender in the UK. Dave has more than 25 years experience in banking/IT in the UK and Europe and significant experience of the BPM world including:

- Responsibility for establishing the largest Business Process Management implementation in the UK
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- Integration of BPM into complex technical environments

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