



Welcome to the April 2026 edition of the IFRIMA Quarterly Update

The global risk and insurance landscape is evolving rapidly, and our member organisations continue to lead the way – hosting impactful events, publishing valuable insights, and shaping thought leadership across the sector. If your association has upcoming initiatives or news to share, please email the Secretariat to secure a feature in the next edition. We encourage you to share this newsletter with your membership networks to help amplify these contributions.

Yours in risk and insurance,

The IFRIMA Team

Member Leadership & Awards

Airmic welcomes new CEO, Diane Maxwell

Congratulations to the newly appointed **CEO of Airmic, Diane Maxwell.**

Maxwell joins Airmic on the back of an international career in financial services and risk management. She was CEO for six years at the NZ Retirement Commission, working closely with the financial services sector, government and regulators across pensions, savings and insurance products and public policy, and internationally on OECD steering groups supporting the G7 and G20 on financial resilience. She previously held an IFC regulatory role as executive director of policy and risk.

Maxwell says it's a privilege to take on this role at such a critical juncture for the risk profession: "People say these are complex times, but I don't think that does it justice for our members," she says. "Each of the global challenges they face is hard enough – but cumulatively they represent a challenge of a different order."

Her initial priorities include delivering practical support for businesses, modernising the association and injecting healthy and constructive debate into the market. "I see it as my job both to champion the risk profession and to be a voice of challenge," she says.

The IFRIMA community congratulates Diane Maxwell on her appointment and wishes her every success in leading Airmic into its next chapter.



Member News, Updates & Articles

PARIMA NEWS: The Next Risk Challenge: Honouring Innovation, Resilience, and This Year's Winners

The Next-Gen Risk Takers Challenge forms part of PARIMA's broader mission to strengthen the risk profession across Asia by building a sustainable talent pipeline and fostering greater collaboration within the industry ecosystem.

Designed as a speaking competition for emerging risk professionals, the challenge provides participants with a platform to share their risk management insights, experiences, and perspectives before a live audience. Beyond testing technical knowledge, the competition also develops critical communication, leadership, and analytical thinking skills through presentations and live Q&A sessions.

Winners of the challenge receive the opportunity to attend and speak at the PARIMA Conference 2026, giving rising professionals valuable international exposure and a platform to contribute to conversations shaping the future of risk management across the Asia-Pacific region.

Hong Kong Edition



The **Hong Kong Edition** of the Next-Gen Risk Takers Challenge featured three finalists — **Junning Tu, Karson K. C. Tang, and Animus Chow** — who took centre stage to present their insights to a live audience. Following a strong round of presentations, **Animus Chow** was selected by the judges as the winner.

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PARIMA's Launch of the Risk Exchange Series

The Risk Exchange is a personal, story-driven profile that traces an individual's career journey, leadership approach, and evolving views on the role of risk managers. The angle focuses on how leadership, talent development, and strategic risk thinking create meaningful value for clients — spotlighting the insights and experiences that have shaped the individual's perspective over time.

In our first feature article, we featured Jennifer Richards, Chief Executive Officer for Asia Pacific (APAC) and a member of the

Taipei Edition



The **Taipei Edition** of the Next-Gen Risk Takers Challenge featured three finalists — **Charmaine Marie Villa, Michelle H. Yang, and Ryan Chiang** — who took centre stage to present their insights to a live audience. Following a compelling round of presentations, **Charmaine Marie Villa** was selected by the judges as the winner.

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FERMA Updates: Advancing the Future of Risk Management Across Europe

Latvian Risk Management Association Joins FERMA



The Latvian Risk Management Association has joined FERMA, strengthening the organisation's European network and enhancing collaboration, knowledge sharing, and professional exchange across the region.

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FERMA Launches Sponsored Student Programme for Forum 2026



FERMA is launching a sponsored student programme for the Forum 2026, offering selected students access to key sessions, networking opportunities, and industry insights to inspire future careers in risk and insurance, while bridging the gap between academia and the profession.

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Registrations Open for the FERMA Forum 2026

Registrations are now open for the FERMA Forum 2026, bringing together risk management professionals from across Europe and beyond for high-level discussion, networking, and a forward-looking agenda focused on emerging risks and strategic challenges.

Registration is free for risk managers, with early registration available for other professionals.

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FERMA Releases New White Paper on Strategic Risk Management and Organisational Value

FERMA has released a new white paper which explores how risk management can evolve beyond traditional frameworks to become a key driver of organisational performance and resilience. The paper provides practical insights and recommendations for integrating risk into strategic decision-making and long-term value creation.

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FERMA Introduces the Next Gen European Risk Council

FERMA has introduced the Next Gen European Risk Council, a new initiative aimed at empowering emerging risk professionals by providing a platform for innovation, cross-generational dialogue, and leadership development.

This platform aims to reinforce FERMA's commitment to shaping the future of the risk profession in Europe.

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CRMI 2026 Annual Risk Outlook Launch – Shaping the Future of Risk in Nigeria



On 16 March 2026, The Chartered Risk Management Institute of Nigeria successfully launched its 2026 Annual Risk Outlook, bringing together leading risk professionals, industry experts, and regulators to explore emerging risks and resilience strategies for the year ahead.

Key discussions focused on macroeconomic instability, foreign exchange volatility, cybersecurity risks, emerging threats, resilience strategies, and Nigeria's strategic outlook for 2026. The event provided valuable insights for professionals, policymakers, and organisations seeking to navigate uncertainty and strengthen resilience in an increasingly complex operating environment.

In addition, CRMI announced its upcoming 25th Annual International Conference and 25th Anniversary Celebration, scheduled to take place from 14–16 October 2026 at the Oriental Hotel in Lagos. The milestone event will mark 25 years of advancing risk management practice and professional development in Nigeria.

Upcoming IFRIMA Member Events

- **RIMS | RISKWORLD 2026**
3 - 6 May 2026 | Philadelphia
- **PARIMA | MUMBAI CONFERENCE 2026**
12 June 2026 | Mumbai
- **PARIMA | ASIA PACIFIC CAPTIVE FORUM 2026**
2 July 2026 | Singapore
- **AIRMIC**
London Risk Week | 11 - 15 May
Global Risk Summit | 12 May
Airmic Annual Conference | 15 - 17 June

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Members Trending on Social Media

IFRIMA's LinkedIn page is steadily growing. We need your help to put us on the map as a leading source of risk and insurance news and insights!

Here are a few stats for Jan'26 - Apr'26

Total Following: 1,837

12 663 Organic Impressions

298 Page views

395 Reactions

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