

# MIAS

Established in 1911, the purpose of the Marine Insurance Association of Seattle (MIAS), a non-profit organization, is to promote harmony, good will, fellowship and educational opportunities for Marine Insurance Professionals.

The membership of MIAS consists of a diverse group of marine professionals specializing in underwriting, brokerage, claims handling, surveying, and legal defense throughout the Pacific Northwest.

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## DIRECTIONS

### From I-5 Southbound:

Take the Union Street Exit.

Continue forward onto Union Street.

Turn right on Seventh Avenue. Right on Pike Street.

Left on Eighth Avenue. Left on Pine Street.

The Grand Hyatt Porte Cochere will be immediately on the left.

### From I-5 Northbound:

Exit from the left lane at Seneca Street.

Right on Sixth Avenue. Right on Pike Street.

Left on Eighth Avenue. Left on Pine Street.

The Grand Hyatt Porte Cochere will be immediately on the left.

### Parking:

Valet parking/Self Parking available next to hotel.

## AGENDA

Wednesday, May 3, 2017

8:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.

Registration & Continental Breakfast in the ELIZA JOHNSON FOYER

8:30 a.m. – 8:45 a.m.

Welcoming remarks in the ELIZA JOHNSON AMPHITHEATRE

8:45 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

Opening Remarks

9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

State of the Markets

Beth Kirkpatrick, Senior Vice President, Marsh USA  
Karla Scott, Vice President Ocean Marine, Markel Corp.

10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Cruise Ship and Passenger Vessel Claims

Rodney Q. Fonda, Of Counsel  
Preg O'Donnell & Gillett

11:00 a.m. – 11:15 am

Morning Break

11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Maritime Law Update

Joseph M. Browne, Partner  
Bauer Moynihan & Johnson LLP

12:15 p.m. – 1:15 p.m.

Lunch

1:15 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.

Rise of the Drones: Insuring Unmanned Aircraft Systems

James Van Meter, Practice Leader Underwriting  
Allianz Global Corporate & Specialty

2:15 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Afternoon Break

2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

War Risk Insurance

Michael J. Cummins, Esq.  
Gibson, Robb & Lindh LLP

3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Economic Development

Mark H. Gleason, Maritime & Logistics Business Development Manager  
Economic Development Council of Seattle & King County

4:30 p.m.

Sign Out & C.E. Certificates

Cocktails & Reception in the Princessa II Ballroom

## ABOUT THE TOPICS

### 1. State of the Markets

These two established professionals shall present insurance industry trends in both the U.S. and International Markets. The U.S. section of this talk shall focus on reinsurance trends, the impact of the Hanjin bankruptcy and catastrophe modeling specific to the marine industry. The International portion will cover profitability, capacity, trends and general information on London, Asia, Australia, Europe, Middle East and Africa.

### 2. Cruise Ship and Passenger Vessel Claims

This presenter will discuss the application of admiralty principles to crew and passenger claims and how to protect the vessel owner/employer given the coverage considerations of Maritime Employer Liability policies.

### 3. Maritime Law Update

A legal expert in maritime law will focus on the latest updates pertaining to maintenance and cure, punitive damages and other practical concerns for the maritime insurance industry.

### 4. Insuring Unmanned Aircraft Systems (Drones)

This speaker will delve into how the insurance industry has innovated to provide protections for Unmanned Aircraft Systems manufacturers, operators and the general public. This presentation will cover the types of insurance coverages currently available and explain specific exposures unique to drones.

### 5. War Risk Insurance

A legal expert will elaborate on how this class of business is misunderstood, underappreciated and needed in today's environment. This session will provide a comprehensive overview of war risk insurance for hull and cargo. Numerous court decisions will also be discussed during the session, including decisions involving terrorism.

### 6. Economic Development

As the North Pacific Fishing Fleet continues to modernize, the insurance industry will be impacted. This presentation also covers how to manage and/or reduce sources of risk through insurance or otherwise in the U.S. Fisheries Industry.