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Biographical Notes



David Williams, Technical Director, AXA Insurance UK
CII Vice President

David has over 30 years' experience in General Insurance, roles including Chief Commercial Underwriter at one of AXA's largest branches, Reinsurance Manager, Casualty Insurance Manager, before moving to claims in 2003. After leading AXA's Personal & Commercial Claims Teams, David returned to Underwriting as Managing Director, Underwriting, and now has a broader role reporting in to CEO Amanda Blanc, as part of the newly recombined AXA general insurance businesses in the UK

He was heavily involved in the government and ABI responses to the 'Liability Crisis' way back just after the Access to Justice Act, and continues his lobbying work as the insurance industry looks to remove unnecessary costs and delay from the current adversarial compensation process. He is an outspoken critic of Claims Farming, Credit Hire, High Legal Costs and exaggerated Whiplash Claims.

As well as operating at an Executive level within AXA Insurance, David is a Non Executive Director of AXA Assistance UK, Vice President of the CII and Chair of the CII Underwriting Faculty. He is Chair of the recently formed Autonomous Driving Insurance Group and RISC Authority, was previously a member of the National Stakeholder Council for the Government's 'Workplace Health Connect' initiative during its currency, and was a Director of Thatcham, the Insurance Industry Motor Vehicle Research Institute for four years.

He is a member of various AXA Group Boards and has represented the UK on Asbestos, Health, Pollution and Fraud issues. He speaks regularly at conferences and other events in the UK and Europe on a variety of subjects including most recently, improving customer service, flooding, climate change, Big Data & Driverless cars

David has also appeared on BBC Breakfast TV, Sky, Channel 4 and BBC News, as well as Radio 4's 'Today' Programme, being interviewed on topics varying from Compensation Culture to Business Crime.

David originally hails from Bristol (explaining his passion for Bristol Rovers!) but now lives in Suffolk with his wife Catherine and two young sons Evan (10) & Ryan (8)
