

## SAI Annual Convention - 27th October 2023

### Arrangements

This year, we will return to the Convention Centre Dublin where attendees will be able to pick from over 30 sessions; delivered in 5 parallel streams and 2 plenary sessions. There will also be plenty of time to network and catch up over the light breakfast upon arrival, tea/coffee breaks and the lunch break!

#### Programme:

[Click here to view the full programme](#). When making your reservation, please make sure to select which parallel session you will be attending during each time-slot so that we can ensure we have ample space to accommodate everyone. This year we have over **30 sessions; delivered in 6 parallel streams throughout the day and 2 plenary sessions**. The parallel sessions include an extended session focusing on communication skills (across 2 parallel sessions [block 4 and block 5]) and a 1-hour professionalism CPD event [block 6].

#### Keynote Presenter:

The sessions will start at 9.00am (*after the light breakfast which is from 8.20am – 8.50am*) with a presentation from our keynote presenter, Minister of State Jennifer Carroll MacNeill, Minister of State at the Department of Finance with responsibility for Financial Services, Credit Unions and Insurance.

#### Buddy System:

If you are attending the Convention and would like to meet people who will be attending similar parallel sessions, or to have a chat with during the breaks/lunch, you can sign up for a *Convention Buddy*. You can do this by emailing [events@actuaries.ie](mailto:events@actuaries.ie). We will then match you with a suitable buddy, who will either be a member of one of the Society's Committees or another attendee. You will meet with this person at the *Convention Buddy* meeting point on the Liffey floor before the first session. Also, members of the Society's Diversity, Equity, Inclusion & Accessibility (DEAI) Committee will have stickers on their name labels on the day, so please feel free to approach them at any point during the Convention.

#### Quiet Room:

A Quiet Room will be available for those who would like respite from the activities of the Convention. This room will be quiet, dimly lit, with ample personal space and away from strong smells. If you avail of this room, we would ask you to be respectful of others using this space and do not use it for phone calls or meetings. This room will be clearly signposted and directions can be provided by any member of the Convention Centre staff.

#### Lactation Room:

A Lactation Room will also be made available. The room will have a comfortable chair, table, power outlet and refrigeration will be available. This room will be clearly signposted and directions can be provided by any member of the Convention Centre staff.

### **Accessibility:**

For the Convention Centre's **accessibility information**, please refer to their website, [here](#). **Bike parking information** can be found [here](#) and **car parking information** can be found [here](#). The under-ground car park at The CCD is a public carpark.

### **Mentoring:**

The Society has Mentoring & Support Services that can help people with a number of areas in their career journey, from *a student looking for a 'buddy' to advise them in relation to their exams to considering your options to prepare for a C-Suite role, an INED, or looking at entrepreneurial role*, with lots of support and mentoring to offer in between! The members of the Society who offer to mentor and support, are part of the Society's Mentoring Circle. The Mentor Circle members attending the Convention will be noticeable as they will have stickers on their name badges, so if you would like to enquire about the Mentoring & Support Services the Society offer, please feel free to approach them on the day. They are more than happy to have a chat. In the meantime, please check out details of the Mentoring & Support Services, [here](#).

### **Recordings:**

While we hope that as many members as possible can join us on the day, we understand that not everyone will be available to travel on that day. Therefore, we will make the recordings from most of the sessions available afterwards through a dedicated platform. If you already know that you cannot attend on the day but would like to receive the link to the recording, please make your reservation [here](#). This will help us to make arrangements with the venue as efficiently as possible. That said, do try to attend in-person, if you can at all! If you attend on the day, you will be given automatic access to the recording after the event.

### **Cost to attend:**

The cost to **attend in-person and to access the digital platform** is as follows:

- Cost for Members: €285
- Cost for Student Members/ Members working as full-time Academics / Members who qualify for the 'retired' member subscription rate as per our [subscriptions schedule](#): €140
- Cost for Non-Members: €340

The cost to **only access the digital platform** is as follows:

- Cost for Members: €245
- Cost for Student Members/ Members working as full-time Academics / Members who qualify for the 'retired' member subscription rate as per our [subscriptions schedule](#): €120
- Cost for Non-Members: €290

[Click here to read our cancellation policy](#)

**Reservations are now open! Book online as soon as possible to ensure your space is reserved!**

[CLICK HERE TO MAKE A RESERVATION](#)

**Reminder:** *When making your reservation, please make sure to select which parallel session you will be attending during each time-slot so that we can ensure we have ample space to accommodate everyone.*

**If you want to see the sessions you booked for the Convention:** After making your reservation for the Annual Convention you can revisit the list of sessions you have chosen by going to 'My Reservations' in your User Account Menu, where you will then see a list of all the events you have booked with a link to each event. For the Annual Convention, to view your sessions, click the link and you will be brought back to the events page, but having now made your booking you will now note a tab below the Convention title named 'My Reservation', within this tab you will see the list of the sessions you have booked.

**We would like to say a big thank you to this year's sponsors of the SAI Annual Convention 2023:**

