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PREFACE

Dear esteemed reader,

It is our pleasure to present to you the magazine of the Actuarial Congress 2026, taking place in the Royal Tropical Institute (KIT) in Amsterdam on March 3rd. This year's congress revolves around the theme "AI under pressure? Call in the Actuaries!".

Artificial intelligence has become a crucial component of actuarial practice, supporting anything from data analytics and risk modelling to decision-making. Yet, as AI systems become more embedded in our processes, they also introduce new forms of vulnerability. What happens when our models go dark in the middle of a cyberattack? Are our systems resistant in a crisis? How do actuaries respond when technology fails, or even turns against us? And most importantly, how resilient is the actuarial world in the face of digital disruption?

The conference offers a deep dive into multiple perspectives surrounding the topic. The theme challenges us to reflect not only on technological preparedness but also on professional resilience, ethical responsibility, and collaboration across sectors. Can we still manage without AI? And if not, how do we ensure its reliability and trustworthiness?

Our program offers a broad range of sessions, combining plenary presentations with interactive sessions. To ensure meaningful and in-depth discussions, we have invited a group of distinguished keynote speakers. These experts come from the corporate sector, government institutions, and academia, offering a well-rounded and comprehensive perspective on the challenges and responsibilities ahead.

As the organising committee, we are honored to bring this community together for what promises to be a thought-provoking and dynamic exchange. In the pages of this magazine, you'll find a preview of the speakers, session topics, and insights that await you.

We look forward to welcoming you on the 3rd of March for a day of inspiration, dialogue, and collaboration as we navigate the future of actuarial science in the age of AI.

On behalf of the Actuarial Congress Committee 2026,

Kinga Zielinska

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Angela van Heerwaarden

INTERVIEW WITH THE CHAIRWOMAN

This year's Actuarial Congress will be supervised by Angela van Heerwaarden. Angela is an actuary and the program director of the executive actuarial program AEMAS/APC at the UvA. This interview provides an introduction to this year's theme; Impact of AI: The upcoming threats of Artificial Intelligence

Angela finished her actuarial science studies in 1986, and after that she specialized in non-life insurance doing her PhD. She graduated in 1991 under the supervision of the late professor Goovaerts and of professor Kaas. Since then, she gathered over 30 years of combined experience: many years in actuarial practice (NRG, Verzekeringskamer, Tillinghast, EY, Arcturus), 7 years as an associate professor at the UvA, and many years combining both worlds.

We have interviewed Angela van Heerwaarden, the day chair of the Actuarial Congress 2026, about her experience with AI, the influence of AI on actuarial work and the program of this year's congress.

WHAT IS YOUR EXPERIENCE WITH AI AS AN ACTUARY?

I'm a boomer, first of all, so I try to keep up, but I'm better known as an Excel queen than as an AI expert. If you interpret AI broadly, more as data science, then I'm quite comfortable. I understand the statistical side, machine learning, and related topics. I've also learned a lot through other roles. For ten years I've been on the jury of the Johan de Witt Thesis Prize, where you read the most innovative actuarial theses every year. That naturally exposes you to new techniques and ideas. So my theoretical knowledge level isn't low, but my practical experience with AI applications is. At my current company, AI developments are happening, but I'm not part of those teams. Like many others, though, I've become an avid chatbot user in recent years, both professionally and personally. Large language models really help with writing better reports and making searches easier. What people describe, like using chatbots to fundamentally improve processes, is not something I'm deeply involved in myself. But when it comes to creativity and generating ideas, I really enjoy working with these tools.

WERE YOU SKEPTICAL OR ENTHUSIASTIC WHEN YOU FIRST ENCOUNTERED AI?

I'm a skeptic by nature. My first reaction is often: that's not possible. So sometimes I need a little push before I get enthusiastic. At the same time, I'm not overly skeptical. Within the actuarial profession, there have always been people who think we're about to become redundant. Ever since I was young, we've had endless discussions about the "actuary of the future." I've never been dramatic about that. We've always had plenty of work, and we've always adapted. We'll take a new path, and things will naturally follow. In that sense, I'm actually very positive.

DO YOU THINK AI WILL REPLACE THE WORK OF ACTUARIES?

Partly, yes, and that's a good thing. Especially the parts of the work we'd really like to get rid of. If you look back far enough, actuaries once worked with paper and manual calculators. Mortality tables and interest rate factors weren't even readily available. Automation has always been part of our profession, and it's wonderful when routine work disappears and makes room for more interesting tasks. The core of actuarial work remains the same: quantifying certainty and uncertainty and finding solutions for it. That still requires constant innovation. A hallucinating large language model cannot come up with meaningful innovations, that's where actuaries are needed. And then there's auditing. Tasks like certifying parts of insurers' annual accounts can never be fully outsourced. That responsibility will always require professional judgment.

WHAT STILL MOTIVATES YOU ABOUT ACTUARIAL WORK AFTER ALL THESE YEARS?

It has a very personal motivation. When there's a heavy storm, extreme snowfall, or a sudden explosion, I secretly feel a thrill. Not because these events are good, of course, but because insurers can

prove their value again. The world is changing constantly, and our profession can't stand still. Climate change, as serious as it is, ensures that actuarial work remains relevant and necessary. What motivates me most is that our work is socially useful which has always mattered to me. Today, my biggest role is training people who can continue that work, and that feels just as meaningful.

WHAT SKILLS SHOULD TODAY'S ACTUARIES FOCUS ON THAT WERE NOT ESSENTIAL 10 YEARS AGO?

I see two main directions. One path focuses on process improvements, developing new calculation tools, and finding innovative applications through data science. That's exciting and very valuable. The other path is more advisory, closer to the board. Those actuaries need a strong overview: they must truly understand what models do, assess them critically, and explain them clearly. Board members generally don't understand the technical details, and that's partly the actuary's job.

WHAT IMPORTANT TOPICS OR SESSIONS DO YOU THINK PARTICIPANTS SHOULD DEFINITELY NOT MISS DURING THE CONFERENCE?

The conference is incredibly interesting overall. The morning session about cybersecurity really stands out to me. As insurers and pension funds, we operate

in a changing world where data security is crucial. How do you protect sensitive information without compromising customers? Actuaries deal with so many aspects of this that they need to understand the bigger picture. The afternoon sessions are also strong, with a lot of space for innovation. As a non-life actuary I enjoy the insurance pricing innovations. Model validation is another favorite of mine, partly because I've done so much of it myself. Looking to the future, I'm also very curious about the different visions people have. It's a versatile program, I am happy that we can skip basic introductions, and also that the diversity makes it exciting.

WHAT DO YOU HOPE PARTICIPANTS WILL TAKE AWAY FROM THE EVENT?

I hope they discover something they hadn't considered before. For people my age, the message is clear: AI is for you too. You can't assume it will just pass you by or that it's something only young people do as a hobby. You really have to stay involved. I also hope participants go home and start experimenting right away. They'll have seen several concrete ideas in action, even from competitors, and that can be inspiring. The more you work with AI, the more routine tasks you can automate. And the more you automate, the more interesting your own work becomes.



THE SPEAKERS

All the speakers of the Actuarial Congress 2026 are highlighted below to give a clear overview of the plenary, interactive and student sessions you can attend.

Amba Zeggen



Plenary Session I Probability & Partners

Amba Zeggen is a Partner at Probability & Partners with over 25 years of experience in the insurance sector. She advises insurers and pension funds on a wide range of risk management topics, including capital modelling and management, risk governance, and risk culture.

In addition, Amba serves as Key Function Holder Risk Management at a pension fund. Drawing on her experience across insurers and pension funds, she has seen the importance of actively managing cybersecurity risks and embedding these risks within the broader risk management framework.

Amba holds a degree in Mathematics and Actuarial Sciences. Alongside her consultancy work, she lectures at the University of Amsterdam – AEMAS Actuarial Practice Cycle, where she teaches Solvency II Pillar 2.

Plenary Session I & II Probability & Partners

Edward Roozenburg is Service Line Lead IT Risk at Probability & Partners. He has more than twenty years of experience in audit and risk management across various industries. Currently, he fulfills the role of Chief Information Security Officer (CISO) and has been extensively involved in the implementation of DORA at several pension funds. His broad risk management background and specialization in IT risk provide him with valuable insights into the governance and practical aspects of the CISO role. Edward is registered as an Operational Auditor (RO, CIA) and is a Certified Information Systems Auditor (CISA).

Edward Roozenburg



Leonie van der Veen

Plenary Session II AddComm

Leonie van der Veen is Chief Executive Officer of AddComm, a company that supports organisations in communicating with customers and develops and uses software to support this communication. AddComm works with organisations in sectors such as financial services, utilities and the public sector.

As CEO and owner of the company, Leonie is responsible for the overall strategy, governance and continuity of the organisation. Under her leadership, AddComm experienced a cyberattack that had a significant impact on its operations. This incident confronted the organisation with complex challenges related to data security, business continuity and crisis management, and has shaped Leonie's executive experience in leading organisations through high-impact events.



Jauke Biesma



Interactive Session I-1 AON

Jauke Biesma (31) is a Senior Cyber Broker at Aon and the primary point of contact in the Netherlands for the Cyber Risk Analyzer. With a background in Business, Commercial Economics and 12 years of experience in the insurance market – including client facing and consultancy roles, he is responsible for placing international cyber insurance programs at Aon. He supports multinational organisations in quantifying cyber risk and translating it into limits, retentions and program structures. In his role, he bridges board-level discussions with the technical detail required for pricing, modelling and aggregation analysis.

I find it deeply concerning that many – often global – companies are still unable to properly assess their cyber risk. Despite numerous studies consistently identifying cyber as a top business risk, digital crown jewels are often insured far less comprehensively than physical assets. Even with extensive cybersecurity controls, residual risk remains, particularly due to dependency on critical third parties in the supply chain, where a single disruption can lead business interruption and effective a total loss. In the boardroom, I notice that decision-makers struggle with the intangible nature of cyber risk, while its financial and operational impact can be immense. Through the Cyber Risk Analyzer, Aon quantifies these risks using global claims data to model loss curves, scenario impacts and Total Cost of Risk – making the intangible actionable for pricing and boardroom decisions.

This repeatedly leaves me with the same question: why do we insure buildings for billions, yet accept only a few million in cover for the heart of the organisation?

Erwin Huijzer



Interactive Session I-2 Athora

Erwin Huijzer is a Data Scientist at Athora Netherlands, working within CTOO Digital Strategy, Architecture & Innovation. He helps move AI and data science from experimentation to real-world application by bringing technology, processes, and users together. In practice, he is involved in projects where complex computational models are simplified and translated into sustainable software implementations, with a strong focus on transparency and control over data flows. In addition, he contributes to responsible AI deployment and the secure adoption of generative AI, within appropriate governance structures and supported by AI Impact Assessments where required. His guiding principle is: "Intelligence alone is not enough; only when a system is both reliable and manageable does it become truly usable." Erwin holds a Master's degree in Business Analytics from Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam and conducted research on machine learning applied to email interactions and customer emotions.

Interactive Session I-2 Athora

Casper Dekker works as a Risk Manager at Athora Netherlands. He is part of the Model Risk team and operates at the intersection of models, AI, and investments. In addition to a strong interest in analysing and validating models, Casper has a passion for innovation and continuously asks how things can be improved. Building on technical expertise originally developed through a Data Science minor at Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam, as well as a wide range of personal hobby projects, Casper has been working at Athora Netherlands for two years and has contributed to several successful AI business cases. Casper holds a Master's degree in Finance from the University of Amsterdam.

Casper Dekker



Anton Pysarenko



Interactive Session I-2 **Athora**

Hi all, my name is Anton Pysarenko, and I work as Risk Manager in the Balance Sheet Reporting department at Athora Netherlands. I am also a student of Msc Actuarial Science at UvA. In both roles I utilize AI to boost my performance and expand my knowledge in diverse fields I encounter in everyday life.

Maarten van der Maarel, MSc

Interactive Session II-2 **Deloitte**

Maarten is part of the actuarial team of Deloitte in the Netherlands. Maarten has obtained a Masters degree in Quantitative Finance Honours Programme and a Bachelors degree in Financial Econometrics at the Vrije Universiteit van Amsterdam. Maarten has been working with and for insurance companies since 2010. In these sixteen years, he has seen the industry change from back-of-the-envelope Solvency I calculations to the sophisticated cloud-native reporting streets of today. Maarten is part of the international actuarial GenAI initiative of Deloitte and leads the Dutch Financial Risk Management GenAI initiative of Deloitte. In this role, he is constantly searching for the newest technological advancements, without overcomplicating things. Keep it simple if possible!



Bart Rikkert



Interactive Session II-2 **Aegon**

Bart Rikkert, FRM, leads Model Risk and Validation for Aegon globally. In this role, Bart is responsible for the Model Risk Management policy, model risk monitoring, and the independent validation of all major models—including AI—within Aegon. At Aegon, Bart has been involved since 2012 in the design and implementation of the Solvency II Partial Internal Model within Aegon Netherlands and the UK, IFRS9, IFRS17, and the transition from the Dutch Central Bank (DNB) to the BMA (Belgian Central Bank) as the new lead supervisor. Previously, he was Head of Model Validation at SNS Reaal, where he oversaw the design and introduction of Basel II.

Interactive session II-4 Hogeschool Utrecht

Rijk Mercuur is a researcher at the Artificial Intelligence research group at the Utrecht University of Applied Sciences, focusing on responsible and human-centered AI. His recent research centers on AI-driven decision-making in insurance, with particular attention to fairness, discrimination, and the societal impact of automated premium differentiation. Rijk studies how human values can be embedded in AI systems and how humans and AI can meaningfully collaborate. He obtained his MSc in Artificial Intelligence in 2015 (cum laude, best thesis award) and defended his PhD at TU Delft in 2021 on simulating routine human behavior. Afterwards, he taught Philosophy and AI at Utrecht University and founded an AI & Ethics department at Hiro.

Since 2023, he has worked within the cooperative AI research line and contributes to the Data Driven Business Master's program and the ICT Institute at the Utrecht University of Applied Sciences..

Rijk Mercuur



Bogdan Tautan, AAG



Plenary Session IV Achmea Re

Bogdan Tautan, a Senior Reinsurance Actuary at Achmea Reinsurance with a background in economic cybernetics and actuarial sciences, manages risk transfer solutions and coordinates efforts to enhance actuarial tools, data, and IT infrastructure within the organization. As a qualified actuary, he actively contributes to the profession through roles such as Chair of the AI Working Group and member of the Professionalism Committees at the Royal Dutch Actuarial Association, co-Vice Chair of the AI and Data Science Working Group and Chair of the Risk Management Committee at the Actuarial Association of Europe, and Chair of the Adoption Framework workstream within the Task Force on AI and member of the Professionalism Committee at the International Actuarial Association.

His congress participation will cover AI developments and trends, associated risks, governance practices, and globally developed resources, with a focus on their significance to actuaries and the actuarial professional standards.

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Lars Janssen



Student Session PWC

Lars is a director in the Risk Modelling Services team at PwC Netherlands, where he started his career in 2010. He leads PwC Netherlands Non-Life practice and is mainly involved in helping insurers with advisory work on strategy, bodily injury reserving and pricing, as well as M&A projects and audit support. Lars holds a Master of Science in Actuarial Sciences from the University of Amsterdam and is a credentialed actuary at the Dutch Royal Actuarial Society. From 2016 to 2018, he was seconded to PwC US' New York office.

Student Session PWC

Tom currently drives and manages the Artificial Intelligence & GenAI proposition within the Risk Modelling Services & Pensions team, which revolves around (Gen)AI solution development as well as AI strategy and AI governance. His background lies in mathematics and physics, and during his career at PwC, he has gained experience in the insurance market as well as other industries within the financial sector. His main areas of expertise include advanced Artificial Intelligence, Data Analytics, Machine Learning, and programming/model development.

Tom Peters



Sam Neefjes



Student Session PWC

Sam is a consultant in the Risk Modelling Services & Pensions department at PwC, working across various sub-teams focused on different parts of the insurance and pension sector from a data analytical and solution development angle. He graduated as an econometrician with a specialization in Financial Econometrics. Sam has thorough experience with the development, implementation, and testing of GenAI and traditional ML applications and tooling, always with a focus on process digitalization and automation.

dr. Erik-Jan de Vries

Interactive Session I-3 TaData

Erik Jan de Vries is a Senior AI Platform Architect and Consultant with over 15 years of experience in data science, machine learning, and AI platforms. He designs and builds AI platforms that help organizations move from experimentation to reliable, business-critical AI. His work focuses on making AI scalable, controllable, and trustworthy, particularly in complex and regulated environments. Over the past seven months, he has worked as an MLOps Engineer and Architect at Swift, contributing to AI initiatives within one of the world's most security-sensitive infrastructures. Erik Jan has extensive experience on Azure and Google Cloud and specializes in bridging the gap between data science teams and enterprise IT. In his presentation, he discusses AI platforms as a secure foundation for modern businesses, connecting architectural choices to risk, trust, and long-term business value. As an independent consultant, he helps organizations operationalize AI responsibly and at scale.



Luuk Tegels



Interactive Session I-4 KPMG

Luuk Tegels is a Senior Manager working in the Actuarial and Insurance Risk team at KPMG Netherlands and has over ten years of experience in the insurance sector. His work focuses on actuarial modelling, regulatory compliance, and balance sheet management across life and non-life insurance. Over the years, he has been closely involved in topics such as actuarial transformation, M&A, regulatory compliance (Solvency II and IFRS 17), often at the intersection of actuarial, finance, and risk management. He combines a strong interest in modelling and practical technology applications, such as automation and AI-driven tooling, and in recent years has increasingly focused on applying innovation to actuarial work in a thoughtful and responsible manner.

Randolph Nwaiwu

Interactive Session I-4 KPMG

Randolph Nwaiwu is a Manager in Cyber Defense at KPMG Netherlands, supporting organizations across the cybersecurity lifecycle with a focus on cyber resilience, crisis management, and incident response. With a background in Computer Forensics and eDiscovery, he helps clients translate complex technical risks into clear, actionable guidance for senior leadership while strengthening security posture and regulatory compliance. He has been closely involved in initiatives such as crisis simulations, tabletop exercises, and high-impact incident coordination, often operating at the intersection of technical teams, business stakeholders, and executive decision-makers. Randolph combines practical investigative insight with a strong interest in innovation, including the application of AI to cybersecurity and incident response, and is committed to enhancing resilience and security capabilities in a structured and responsible manner.



Interactive Session II-3 Top Advisory

Harm Mulder is one of the founders of TOP-Advisory. With a strong background in actuarial science and consulting, he has built a career at the intersection of analytics, strategy, and business impact. At TOP-Advisory, Harm focuses on helping organizations translate complex actuarial and financial challenges into practical solutions. He is known for combining technical depth with a clear, pragmatic approach. Throughout his career, Harm has been closely involved in the development of young actuarial professionals. Knowledge sharing and continuous learning are central themes in his work. At the VSAE Actuarial Congress 2026, Harm brings both experience and perspective. He looks forward to engaging and contributing to the dialogue on the future of the actuarial profession.

Harm Mulder, AAG



Emiel Bangert



Interactive Session II-3 Top Advisory

Emiel Bangert is the driving force behind the data strategy at PetSecur. He specializes in building a modern insurance provider where technology is at the core. At PetSecur, he combines the stability of classical machine learning for claims with the innovation of Agentic AI to drive efficient business processes. Much like Harm, Emiel believes that the strength of the sector lies in translating complex technology into tangible impact. At the VSAE Actuarial Congress 2026, he will share his practical experience in scaling a data-driven insurer and looks forward to engaging in dialogue about the synergy between AI and the actuarial profession..

Martin Tan i.r.



Plenary Session V NN Group

Hi everyone, My name is Martin Tan, I am 32 years old and I live in Leiden. I graduated with a B.Sc. in marine technology and a M.Sc. in systems and control, from the Delft University of Technology. Currently, I am working as a pricing actuary at NN in the intermediary channel, focusing on the retail motor line. In previous roles, I worked as an actuarial consultant at Oliver Wyman, data scientist at a.s.r. asset management, and offshore engineer at Allseas. My interests lie in stochastic modelling, machine learning and in general applying his technical expertise in quantitative and strategic problems. In my spare time I like to build computers, tinker with my gaming pc or home server, do some powerlifting or play some squash, or play some card games (e.g. Yu-Gi-Oh!). I have a small home lab on which I do small hobby projects (e.g. running an LLM locally or some robotics).

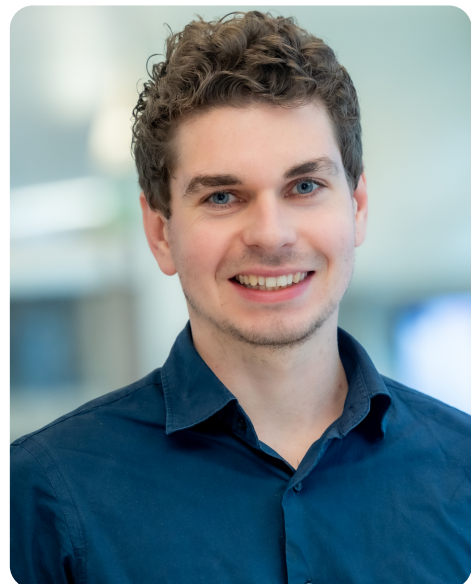
Rob Schuitemaker, AAG

Plenary Session V NN Group

My name is Rob Schuitemaker, I am 31 years old and live in Amersfoort. I am married and have a 1.5-year-old son. I enjoy sports, such as playing volleyball or going for a run, and I also really appreciate an evening of watching series on the couch. In 2017, I completed my studies in Econometrics at the University of Amsterdam and started my career at Nationale-Nederlanden for the ABN AMRO Verzekeringen label. There, I worked as a pricing actuary for retail non-life insurance. In 2022, I made a move within NN to Retail Non-Life & Health, where I still work today. I am also a pricing actuary for retail non-life insurance here, but now for the OHRA, NN, ASN, and ING brands.

As an actuary, I have always been eager to explore new developments in our field. AI certainly is the most impactful one of the last few years. One question keeps coming up: how will AI reshape actuarial work?

I believe AI can significantly boost our productivity — but only if we're willing to adopt it and make it part of our toolkit. So the real question becomes: do you see AI as an opportunity, or as a threat?



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On behalf of the board of the VSAE and the rest of the association, we wish you an inspiring day!

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Kinga Zielinska

CHAIRWOMAN

I'm Kinga, the chairwoman of the committee organising this year's edition of the Actuarial Congress. I'm currently pursuing a Master's degree in Actuarial Science and Mathematical Finance at the University of Amsterdam. Alongside my studies, I work at a café, where I've been perfecting my latte art skills. In my free time, I love travelling, sports, and most recently, knitting.

I'm really excited to be leading the committee this year. We're all working hard to make this year's Congress stand out with some fresh ideas and interesting sessions, especially since the theme of artificial intelligence is so relevant right now and has been reshaping everyday life and the way we work.



Laura Wilde

COORDINATOR

My Name is Laura and this year I'm the coordinator of the Actuarial Congress 2026 committee. I'm currently the Internal Affairs and Secretary of the VSAE board which I enjoy a lot because it allows me to connect with many people and help organize exciting events like the Actuarial Congress. This year's theme is about exploring the influence of Artificial Intelligence on the actuarial field and beyond and is especially relevant since AI is transforming the way we analyse data and make decisions. I'm really looking forward to seeing how our speakers and sessions bring these ideas to life and to making this year's Congress a truly memorable edition!



Helen Sandford

ACQUISITION & PROMOTION

Hi! My name is Helen and I'm part of the Actuarial Congress 2026 committee. Together with Guus, I'm responsible for acquisition and promotion, which means I get to connect with our partners and help make sure everybody knows about our event. I'm currently pursuing a Master's in Econometrics, following the Financial Econometrics track. In my free time, I love playing football and squash and I'm always up for some drinks and having fun with my friends. I'm really looking forward to helping make this edition of the Actuarial Congress, with the interesting theme of Artificial Intelligence, really successful.

Guus van Vijk

ACQUISITION & PROMOTION

My name is Guus, and I'm proud to be part of the Actuarial Congress 2026 committee. Within the committee, I'm responsible for acquisition and promotion together with my fellow committee member Helen. Our goal is to ensure that the Congress reaches a wide audience and that we connect with our partners to make the event a great success. I'm currently in my third year of the Bachelor's program in Econometrics and Data Science, and at the moment I'm pursuing a minor in Mathematical Themes. I'm really excited about this year's Actuarial Congress because the theme is both relevant and really interesting. It's also a special experience to be part of the organizing committee and I can't wait to see everything come together during the Congress.





Hanna Klein Koerkamp

SPEAKERS

Hi! I'm Hanna, and I'm part of the Actuarial Congress 2026 committee. I'm currently pursuing my Bachelor's degree in Econometrics and Data Science. Within the committee, I'm responsible for the speakers and the overall content of the Congress. I work closely with Angela, the Program Director of AEMAS/APC, and together we've chosen this year's theme because it touches on some of the most pressing and fascinating developments of our time, from Artificial Intelligence to hybrid warfare and the shifting boundaries of human and machine intelligence. These topics are not only incredibly relevant today but will continue to challenge the actuarial field in the years ahead, demanding a more forward-thinking and adaptive mindset.

Therese Comon

MAGAZINE & WEBSITE

My name is Therese, and I am thrilled to be collaborating with Joris Neu on the magazine for the 2026 actuarial congress. I will also be responsible for the creation of its website! Currently, I am in my third year of econometrics and data science at UvA. During my free time, I enjoy playing tennis and travelling!

This year's congress plays a crucial role in exploring the relationship between AI, digital warfare and global tensions. I am confident it will offer many valuable insights and engaging discussions and I look forward to seeing everyone there!



Joris Neu

TREASURER & MAGAZINE

Hi! My name is Joris, and I'm a third-year Bachelor's student in Actuarial Science at the University of Amsterdam. I'm passionate about the world of risk and currently serve as Treasurer of this year's Actuarial Congress. In this role, I oversee the congress's finances and help ensure that everything runs efficiently behind the scenes. Additionally, I'm pleased to work together with Therese on the interesting congress magazine. Outside of studying and treasuring, I'm pursuing my long-term goal of visiting one hundred countries and I enjoy playing all kinds of racket sports. I find this year's topic on Artificial Intelligence particularly exciting, as its rapid development is transforming many professions, including the actuarial field itself.

Wij zijn NN

Collega's zijn de kern van ons bedrijf. Wij geloven dat verschillen ons samen beter maken. Als werkgever bieden we jou de support om je talenten en vaardigheden te ontwikkelen. Om professioneel en persoonlijk te groeien en veranderen naar de beste versie van jezelf. Zodat jij met jouw talenten kan bijdragen aan steeds betere producten, diensten en initiatieven waarmee we onze klanten en de maatschappij optimaal kunnen supporten.

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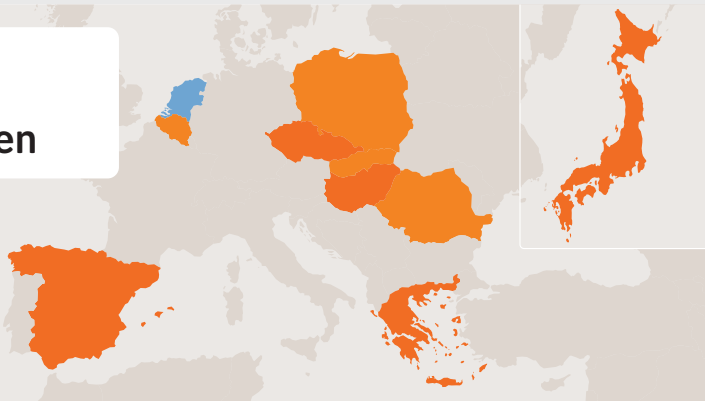
Samen werken we aan een wereld waarin we mensen helpen zorgen voor wat zij echt belangrijk vinden. Als financieel dienstverlener zetten wij ons in voor het financieel welzijn van onze collega's en klanten. Natuurlijk met onze producten en dienstverlening, maar ook met inspiratie & advies. Ook op het gebied van fysiek en mentaal welzijn kunnen collega's en klanten rekenen op onze support.

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Inclusieve werkomgeving

Bij NN geloven we dat onze organisatie het sterkst is wanneer we ieders uniekheid erkennen en de waarden die eenieder meebrengt waarderen. Dit stelt ons in staat om succesvol te zijn — als individuen, als teams en als organisatie. NN stimuleert een werkplek waar leren en groei centraal staan, en waar mensen zichzelf kunnen zijn en zich gerespecteerd, gewaardeerd, veilig en betrokken voelen. Dit omvat het vergroten van de dialoog om begrip te versterken, inclusie te bevorderen en eenieder de kans te geven gehoord te worden. Samen met onze zes medewerkersnetwerken streven we ernaar een inclusieve werkplek te creëren waar medewerkers zich verbonden voelen.

We richten ons op het creëren van een omgeving waarin iedereen zichzelf kan zijn. Daarom zijn wij bij NN voorstander van diversiteit, gelijkwaardigheid en inclusie, en zetten wij ons in voor het bevorderen van gelijke kansen voor iedereen.

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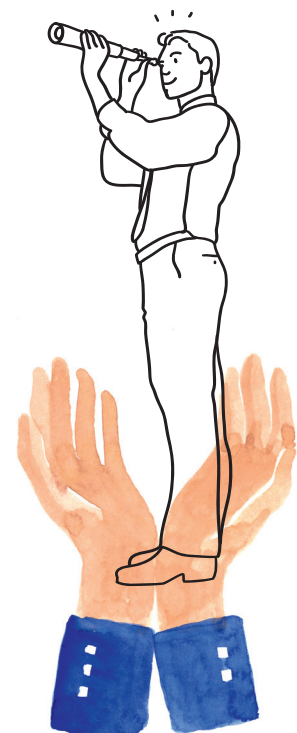
Ontwikkeling is van belang om samen te groeien als bedrijf en uitstekende dienstverlening te leveren aan onze klanten. Deskundige medewerkers maken dat we als bedrijf goed kunnen presteren. Dit komt ook de loopbaan van de medewerker ten goede. Ons opleidingsbeleid stelt collega's in staat om goed te blijven functioneren in een veranderende werkomgeving, waar ze groeien als professional én als persoon.

Actuarissen bij NN: volop mogelijkheden

Binnen NN spelen actuarissen een sleutelrol in uiteenlopende functies. Voor iedere actuaaris is er een interessante uitdaging te vinden. Zo zien we actuarissen in managementposities op financieel gebied of risicomanagement.

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Actuarissen kunnen kiezen voor een vaste rol binnen een team of een dynamische positie bij onze interne actuariële adviesafdeling. Zo bieden we ruimte voor zowel specialistische expertise als brede strategische impact. Bij NN geloven we dat actuarissen het verschil maken, in cijfers én in visie.



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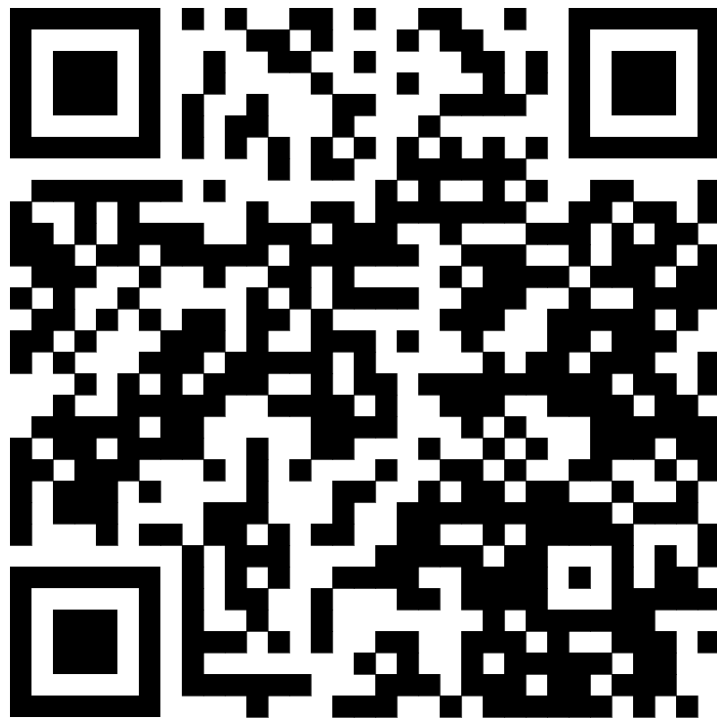
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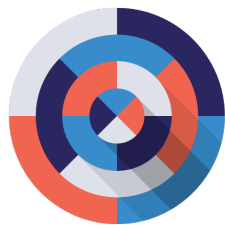
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