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The digital future of private health insurance and medical travel

Welcome to our second Latin America event

About the International Health Insurance Forum

The Forum is a brand of The Consilient Consultancy Limited founded by Robin Ali, an insurance and health system financing specialist with over 30 years' experience in insurance and the last 10 years as an adviser and consultant to insurance companies and governments. His work today includes being the Head of Program Content for the IHIF series of events. The Forum consists of a growing number of events in several parts of the world including

- Middle East
- East, West and Southern Africa
- Southeast Asia
- Latin America
- Central Europe

Our format and event philosophy

Our in-person events are focused on health system financing, including social and private health insurance as financing tools. They bring together policy makers, key influencers and decision makers involved in the health financing ecosystem.

Our events are "how to do" not "what to do" affairs and they are "quality" not "quantity" events. They are "dialogue" not "monologue".

We believe that smaller, more intimate events offer greater, more valuable networking and knowledge transfer opportunities. Our events aim to do the following:

- Provide content relevant to the region
- Bring engaging speakers from within and outside the region
- Offer first class venue facilities
- Educate and inform
- Deliver actionable outcomes
- Provide excellent face to face networking opportunities
- Above all, be an enjoyable experience.

Our events so far

Since 2018 and despite the Covid-19 pandemic, we have produced events in UAE, Bahrain, Kenya, Ghana, Rwanda, Nigeria, South Africa, Romania, Panama and Singapore. This Latin America and Caribbean event will be our 17th event in total and our 2nd in the region.

Why Panama?

We contemplated several of the 31 countries that are considered part of Latin America and the Caribbean as the venue.

Taking into account climate, accessibility, logistics and facilities on offer we selected Panama City for our first event and will return there in 2024.

Panama is geographically highly accessible from many countries in the region as well as from Europe and North America.

The themes

LAC countries have diverse healthcare systems in terms of funding levels, financing mechanisms, the degree of private healthcare insurance penetration and the levels of intra- and extra-regional travel for medical treatment. Our aim in developing the themes of our event was to try to cover what would be the most attractive topics for a diverse audience involved in many aspects of the healthcare and healthcare financing ecosystem.

Accordingly our themes for 2024 will address the digital future of private health insurance and medical travel in Latin America and the Caribbean.

A different calibre of speaker

Several of our speakers will have experience of speaking at conferences around the globe and will generally be high level executives who can bring their globally acquired experience to our audience.

But we can equally learn from regional speakers who have experience of their own markets which have different challenges. The opportunity for knowledge transfer between speakers from outside the region and within the region is enormous.

The audience

We expect the forum to be attended by insurers and reinsurers, intermediaries, regulators, IT firms, medical travel and assistance companies, pharmacos and healthcare providers.

I hope our approach will inspire you!

Robin Ali Head of Program Content International Health Insurance Forum series

Your program

20 May 2024

1930 - 2200 Evening reception (complimentary for all Forum attendees)

Mingle informally with delegates, sponsors and speakers as you enjoy food and beverages on the Tejas Banquet Hall Terrace at J W Marriott, Panama City



21 May 2024

0830 - 0900 Registration and refreshments

Welcome and opening addresses

0900 - 0905	Event producer's welcome	
	Robin Ali	
	Head of Practice, The Consilient Consultancy Limited and Head of Program Content, International Health Insurance Forum, Ireland and UAE	
0905 - 0915	Chairperson's welcome address	
0915 - 0945	Opening ministerial/regulatory address	
0945 - 1005	A private health insurer's perspective on the impact of technology	
1005 -`1025	A medical travel facilitator's perspective on the impact of technology	
1025 - 1045	A healthcare provider's perspective on the impact of technology	
1045 - 1115	Sponsor speech/special address	
1115 - 1145	Refreshment break and networking	

Theme 1: How will technology transform the future of private health insurance?

1145 - 1215	Session 1: How will technology affect distribution channels for private health insurance?
1215 - 1245	Session 2: How will and should digital integration between payers and providers develop?
1245 - 1315	Session 3: How will AI/ML impact claims adjudication and settlement?
1315 - 1415	Lunch and more networking!
1415 - 1515	Panel Session A: How will technology change the private health insurance and medical travel market? Panelists to be announced
1515 - 1545	Refreshment break and networking
1545 - 1615	Session 4: How will technology change the way that private health insurers interact with employers and insured members?
1615 - 1715	Panel Session B: How can private health insurers reinvent themselves in a new technological paradigm and survive?
	Panelists to be announced
1715 - 1730	Chairperson's summation and close of the day's session

22 May 2024		
0830 - 0900	Arrival refreshments	
0900 - 0915	Chairperson's opening	
0915 - 0945	Sponsor speech:	
0945 - 1030	Special address: Understanding Artificial Intelligence in health insurance and healthcare: where it came from and where it is heading	
	Robin Ali	
	Head of Practice, The Consilient Consultancy Limited, Ireland and United Arab Emirates	

Theme 2: How will technology transform the future of medical travel?				
1030 - 1100	Session 5: How will teleconsultation impact the medical travel market?			
1100 - 1130	Session 6: How will telemedicine and robotics impact the need to travel for treatment?			
1130 - 1200	Refreshment break and networking			
1200 - 1300	Panel Session C: Is the medical travel market destined for a significant contraction due to advances in telehealth or will it expand?			
	Panelists to be announced			
1300 - 1400	Lunch and a chance for more networking			
1400 - 1430	Session 7: How should the medical travel sector adapt its operating model to account for advances in technology?			
1430 - 1500	Session 8: How will technology influence consumer choices when seeking treatment abroad?			
1500 - 1530	Refreshment break			
1530 - 1630	Panel Session D: How should the medical travel sector reposition itself and embrace technology to flourish?			
	Panelists to be announced			
1630 - 1645	Chairperson's remarks and close of IHIF Latin America and Caribbean 2024 Event			

Venue

J W Marriott, Punta Pacifica, Panama City

A convenient location in the Financial District near local businesses, shops and entertainment venues with stunning views of the Panama City skyline.

J W Marriott is 20 miles from Tocumen international airport. It has a fully equipped fitness centre, outdoor pool and on-site parking (USD 15 per day)



Conference facilities

Our event utilizes the Grand Pacific ballroom which can accommodate our target audience of up to 100 delegates, sponsors and speakers.

The exhibition area will be outside the ballroom and will also serve as the refreshments area. Lunch will be served in the Tejas Banquet Hall.



Grand Pacific ballroom



Lunch venue



Exhibition and foyer area



Prior Evening Reception venue

Registration details

Ticket prices are as shown below. The price includes:

- Attendance at the two main forum days (unless one day delegate rate is selected)
- Attendance at the complimentary prior evening food and drinks reception on 20 May at the Tejas Banquet Hall Terrace (all delegates)
- All refreshments and lunch on both forum days (or single day in case of one day delegates)

Ticket type*	Discount on	USD**	EUR***	Availability and conditions
	standard ticket rate			
Standard ticket rate	n/a	1200	1100	Freely available. No time limit
Group rate	25%	900	825	Available to 3 or more delegates employed by same legal entity. No time limit
Early registration	25%	900	825	Booking deadline 31 March 2024
Trade body or strategic partner delegate	35%	780	715	Booking deadline 30 April 2024
NGO/NFP delegate	50%	600	550	Freely available. No time limit
Budget ticket delegate	40%	720	660	Booking deadline 29 February 2024. Non-refundable. Non-transferable.
One day delegate	n/a	600	550	Freely available. No time limit

^{*} Ticket types cannot be combined

Registration and payment

There is a secure online registration and credit card payment facility available through our event ticketing agency at https://cvent.me/0P539z and also accessible at our website www.ihif.global. We can also accept payment by direct bank transfer (when booking select "Bank transfer" option)

Cancellation

Should a paying delegate wish to cancel we will accept a substitute delegate. Otherwise we will provide refunds on the following basis:

Cancellation before 23 April 2024	75% refund or substitute delegate allowed	
Cancellation from 23 April 2024 onwards	No refund but substitute delegate allowed	
Full cancellation of group booking	As above schedule	
Partial cancellation of minimum group booking (3 delegates)	Substitute delegate only	

^{**} Approximate equivalent to the EUR ticket price as at 5 December 2023

^{***} Payment currency is EUR and must be made through our ticketing agent via credit/debit card or via offline direct bank transfer in Euro equivalent (see below)