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## **PRESS RELEASE**

## Actuarial Association of Europe elects new Chairperson

Brussels, 1 October 2021: The Actuarial Association of Europe ("AAE") announced today that Mária Kamenárová has been elected as the new Chairperson of the AAE for the year to October 2022.



Mária is a Slovakian national and has served on the AAE Board of Directors since 2017. Mária has been active in many roles in the AAE (member of the Professionalism Committee since 2010 and member of the IFRS17 WG, the AAE Consumer Protection WG and the AAE Insurance Committee from 2011-2019). Mária is acting also as the current President of Slovenská spoločnosť aktuárov (Slovak Society of Actuaries), where she is in the Board since 1997. Mária holds a PhD in Quantitative Methods in Economy with specialisation in Actuarial Science in Economic University in Bratislava since 2019. She is Fully Qualified Actuary and Chartered Financial Risk Manager.

Mária Kamenárová said: "I feel honoured to represent this great organisation of volunteers as Chairperson. Our communities face many challenges: on-going COVID-19 pandemic, new risks emerging from the impact of climate change, finalisation of implementation of IFRS17 accounting standard, and changing EU regulations: Solvency II, IORPs, Sustainability – just to name a few – are all impacting insurers, pension funds, consumers and therefore also the work of actuaries. In the same time the actuarial profession is continuously transforming the traditional roles and becomes prepared to face future requirements and opportunities. Being the representative of the European actuaries, it is our aim to contribute to find the best solutions and professional advice on complex issues. I look forward to collaborate with our Member Associations, the European Commission, members of the European Parliament, supervisors and other stakeholders to address the major challenges ahead."

Wilhelm Schneemeier, the Immediate Past Chairperson, said: "Mária has been very active in the actuarial community in Europe and has worked in many areas concerning the development of our profession especially focused on insurance. She had a deep involvement in the AAE Board as Vice-Chairperson. I am delighted to contribute next year under her chairpersonship which will continue to move our association."

During today's General Assembly, Lutz Wilhelmy (Switzerland) was elected as Vice-Chairperson for the coming year. Lutz served as Board member from 2017. Giampaolo Crenca (Italy) was elected as Board member replacing Lutz Wilhelmy. The term of office of Matthias Pillaudin (France) was extended with 3 years. Matthias was appointed AAE Board member in January 2021.

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- 1. For further information please contact Monique Schuilenburg, Operations Manager (tel. +32 2 201 60 21), moniques@actuary.eu
- 2. Copies of all AAE press releases are available on the AAE website (<u>www.actuary.eu</u>)
- 3. The Actuarial Association of Europe (AAE) was established in 1978 under the name Groupe Consultatif to represent actuarial associations in Europe. Its primary purpose is to provide advice and opinions to the various organisations of the European Union the Commission, the Council of Ministers, the European Parliament, the European Supervisors and their committees on actuarial issues in European legislation. The AAE currently has 36 member associations in 35 European countries, representing over 27,000 actuaries. Advice and comments provided by the AAE on behalf of the European actuarial profession are totally independent of industry interests. The Actuarial Association of Europe is registered in the EU Transparency Register under number 550855911144-54