## NEWSPAPER INSURER PRESS ISSUE (25 June - 16 July 2008) WITH AN ACCENT PUT OF THE HIGHLIGHTS, HOT TOPICS AND COMMENTS

ear readers, in the overview of issue no 12 of the newspaper лInsurer Pressы we put an accent on the highlights and hot topics news and events. We make you acquainted with the analyses and thoughts expressed by the leading insurers and also keep you informed about all that happened within the period between the last two issues of the newspaper.

Happy new returns and best wishes to all who celebrate their birthday! Let's wish all lots of love, good health and happiness to our contributors, friends and well-wishers!

Under the regular heading nBetween two issuesы on page 2 a place is given to the news from the Financial Supervision Commission (FSC).

On page 2, with continuation on page 23, is the material from the press conference held after the General Meeting of the Association of Bulgarian Insurers (AIB)

Orlin Penev, Chairman of AIB announced that the association has sent opinions on the recently introduced in the state institutions two bills, connected with the introduction of an insurance catastrophic pool in the country: on the property insurance and on the national catastrophic fund for indemnity victims of natural disasters.

Orlin Penev also explained his personal viewpoint on the topical issue of the range of Motor Third Party Liability ( MLSP) insurance. According to him, a very strict control from the part of the Traffic Police is unavoidable since the AIB and FSC are not able to exercise effect on the increase of the range to 90 per cent.

On the same page you can read that "Generali PPF Holding" (GPH) was issued license for reinsurance in Bulgaria.

The analysis of the voluntary health insurance for the first trimester of 2008. begins on page 2 and continues on page 23.

There also start some short reviews of interesting articles in similar editions treating the Insurance and Social Security issues, published within the period between the two issues of лInsurer Pressы. They continue on page 18.

On pages 4 and 7 is published the conversation of Slavimir Genchev with Atanas Tabov. Chairperson of the National Motor Insurers Bureau (NMIB).

Mr. Tabov answered questions relative to the General Assembly of the Council of Bureaux from the International Motor Insurance System "Green which was held on 28 and 29 may this year in the Portugal capital Lisbon. The Portugal assembly adopted a number of very important decisions, including amendment of the Constitution of the Council of Bureaux from the "Green Card" system, that comprises 44 member-states, rather than only EU member-states

Litva, that had an observer status at the Council, i.e. in trial period for a transition member, has been admitted as regular member. Another important fact in this connection is the approval of Russia's membership, from. 1 January 2009, with an observer statute for 0 years. There have been created two new committees, which had before the statute of working groups: Application committee and Committee for financial stability and monitoring.

Atanas Tabov shared his opinion on the hot question for the shrunk range of the MLSP insurance.

The cases in point further in the conversation are the existing problems. They are channeled mainly in two lines. The first is regarding the requirements of the foreign national bureaus for coverage in case of occurrence of road traffic accident (mostly in the European countries), i.e. the coverage of the insurance of the relative motor vehicle (MV). At the second place arises the problem for issuance of an annual certificate "Green card" by deferred payment, in case that one of the serial installments was not paid.

On page 5 you can read the interview with Temenuga Nenova - Executive Vice-president in charge Distribution channels management, Allianz Bulgaria Holding. Ms Nenova emphasized that the management of the holding was not changed. There are only structural transformations resulting from the target operational model, imposed to all Allianz structures all over the world. To this purpose there were created 5 main positions for the managers who gear the whole model

Of Allianz everywhere the company is presented.

Pages 7 and 7 are devoted to the Seventh National conference with international participation "Social security and insurance in Bulgaria under the conditions of eurointegratiion process: challenges before the yet continuing adaptation". There is published the lecture of Bisser Petkov, deputy chairperson in charge of the Social Insurance Supervision Division of FSC, "SAV-ING INCENTIVES AND THEIR IMPACT ON THE VOLUNTARY PENSION INSUR-ANCE DEVELOPMENT"

The lecture is presenting a comparative plan for development of the systems encouraging the savings for additional pension (voluntary pension insurance) in Bulgaria and in the countries of Central and Eastern Europe (CEE). There is made an analysis of the systems in Hungary, Czech Republic, Slovak Republic, Romania and Poland with illustrative examples the approaches, applied in the relative countries.

The current pension systems in the countries of CEE have similar structure and parameters.

All countries in the region, with proviso for Czech Republic, have threepillar architecture of their pension systems that resulted from the pension reform, implemented according to the World Bank model. The second pillar (mandatory supplemental pension insurance) of the pension system started functioning earlier in the time in Hungary and Poland. And latest in the time in Slovak Republic and Romania.

The voluntary pension insurance in all countries originates and develop before the implementation of mandatory supplemental pension insurance.

Hungary, Chech Republic and Bulgaria are the countries where the mandatory supplemental pension insurance has longer time of presence.

In Romania, where the pension reform was carried out latest in the time, the voluntary pension insurance has started functioning not until the year 2007.

In the column "Between the theory and the prac-

tice" on page 11, professor, reader-doctor, Ec. Sc. **Hristo Draganov** is making more clear HOW TO INSURE THE C A T A -STROPHIC RISK. Professor Draganov is explaining the purpose of the

delivered opinion: During the last years the problem for the best way to indemnify the damages caused by the catastrophic risk, has been discussed on different occasions and at different levels. There were offered many variants and most often appeared the variant for the implementation of a mandatory insurance that should be administered by purposely created Catastrophic Insurance Pool (KIP). There are also many questions that we are not able to answer synonymously. The purpose of the opinion I delivered, is to give an answer to just one question: Is it possible to consider the catastrophic risk insurable?

On page 14 we start publishing the materials from the Catastrophe insurance workshop hosted by the World Bank on 27 May this year, in Borovets, attended by more than 70 statesmen, insurers, actuaries, financiers, experts from the Bulgarian Academy of Sciences and construction branch, representatives of the local authorities, foreign brokers and experts, journalists.

Some of these were Venelin Uzunov chairperson of the parliamentary commission for accidents and disasters policy: Lubka Kachakova Deputy Minister of Environment and Water; Stefan Stoilkov, Director of Licensing & Subsequent Supervision over Insurers & Brokers Directorate, FSC; Orlin Penev, Chairperson, AIB, representatives of the Bulgarian actuarial association and academic circles

All attendants became familiar with the data from the special World Bank technical survey for Bulgaria and the recommendation s of the bank for the insurance of the catastrophe risks. The survey is financed by a grant from Provention Consortium.

Participants at the workshop were

presented two different approaches for the development of the catastrophe risk insurance market in Bulgaria - the one of the National Program for Catastrophe Risks Management Initiative

(NRCRMI) with Chairman Roumen Galabinov and the one of the World Bank. The forum was lead off by Florian Fichtl, Country Manager of the World Bank for Bulgaria. Besides Roumen Galabinov, there were also another lecturers - the World Bank's top expert in catastrophic insurance risks - Eugene Gurenko, Margaret Arnold - Manager of the Prevention consortium, scientists from both Bulgarian and Czech Academies of Sciences and other leading experts.

According to Mr. Galabinov from NRCRMI, the main problem is: prevention measures before the calamity or measures after the occurrence of the catastrophe event. If the answer to the first option is positive, here comes the question what the decision shall be: to accumulate a fund and to transfer the risk or only to transfer the risk.

On pages 15 and 20 Jordan Kiffov, Executive Director of Bulins AD, is explaining how "the insurers are playing Russian roulette"

Mr. Kiffov thinks that the problem with the shrunk range of the MLSP insurance can be resolved by more strict control from the part of the police that

shall check for presence of MLSP insurances at traffic stop. According to Mr. Kiffov the data reporting of the insurers is perfect. The delay of the insurance statements is a "question of cleaning of the information system and the way it works - it shall be coordinated with the Traffic Police and FSC"

He also expressed his opinion that the deferred payment is the "the heel of Achilles" of the MLSP insurance. One of the ways to resolve the problem is the elimination the deferred payment.

Furthermore, the recently passed supplement of the insurance regulations that stipulate that the sticker has a longer validity, than this of the insurance police, the validity of the sticker prevail. This impede frauds from the part of unscrupulous insurers.

Mr. Kiffov also commented the MTLP insurance price - which is the lowest in Europe - "the guild shall set to seriously increase the prices".

"I heard about fantastic commissions of the order of 42 per cent!" - he shared and emphasized "the money shall not be with the middlemen, but with the insurer - they shall have money to pay damages"

On page 16, a place is given to final of "Theme to be continued" - Risk management. National catastrophe pool modeling". The published materials are from the seminar that was held in the beginning of April and hosted by the reinsurance broker Willis Re.

In this issue you find the continuation of the presentation, made by Matthew Twilly.

The theme., The Risk Management - the guarantee for security and prosperity of the small companies" (page 17) by reader doctor Ivanka Boneva The need of specialized insurance market for regulation and support of the risk management is getting more and more powerful, emphasizes Ms Boneva.

On page 19, in the column "In the world" Senior Research Associate second degree Dr. Dimitar Shishkov, expresses his opinion on TNE NEW HEALTH INSURANCE MODEL, the funding, the funds, and the commercialized health insurance.

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## СРОДНИ ИЗДАНИЯ - ЗА ЗАСТРАХОВАНЕТО И ОСИГУРЯВАНЕТО

(Продължава от стр. 2)

С голяма снимка на Орлин Пенев, председател на УС на АБЗ, под общо заглавие "Камъче в обувката на застраховането" е отбелязано и неговото мнение "Контролът срещу нарушителите, които не сключват задължителната застраховка "Гражданска отговорност", трябва да е много строг". На друга страница на този брой (126 от 2 юли т.г.) е материалът на Иван Маджаров "Задължителната полица на ръба на пропастта" и подзаглавие "Балансите по задълмесец". В същия брой е и кратката информация "ДЗИ промени името си". Пак в него е и интервюто на същия автор с Георги Момчилов "Застрахователите конкурират все повече взаимните фондове" и думите му: "Очаквам около 20%-25% рьст в животозастрахователния пазар през следващата година. Оптимист съм и за идните 5-7 години основно заради ниското проникване на тези услуги в България".

В бр. 129 от 7 юли т.г. на в. "Пари" има няколко информации: "Конова напусна "Дженерали". "Законова пречка пред застрахователи". сыпроводена със снимка на Светла Несторова, председател на УС и изпълнителен директор на ЗАД "Булстрад Живот". Става дума за нейното писмо, което ние публикуваме едно към едно на стр. 17 в този брой на в. "Застраховател прес". Третата информация е "Появи се нов здравен

фонд Далл Богг"

Темата за "Гражданска отговорност" продължава и в бр. 131 от 9 юли на същия вестник На цяла страница под заглавието "Рискът Застраховки на автомобилите" е поместена голяма снимка на Румен Янчев, който казва, че поддържането на портфейл само от автополици е опасно за бъдещето както за всяка компания, така и за целия застрахователен сектор. Следва и интервю на Иван Маджаров с него, озаглавено "Идва плавно увеличение на цените по Гражданска отговорност".

Недялков "Армеец обявява промоция на застраховка "Защитен дом"

Прегледа на в. "Пари" продължавам с бр. 132 от 10 юли т.г., в който Иван Маджаров и Найден Недялков разработват темата за ръста на техническите резерви. Заглавието е "Разумът все още движи пазара на полиците Живот у нас". Поместена е и снимка на Светла Несторова, председател на УС и изп. директор на ЗАД "Булстрад живот" с текст под нея: "Най-важният показател за стабилността на сектора са техническите резерви, смята Светла Несторова"

И последният брой в този преглед на в. "Пари" съдържа информацията "Алианц" с комбинирана полица. Става дума за новия продукт "Премиер", който комбинира различни покрития, които обезпечават изцяло семейството и дома. Съпроводена е със снимка на Орлин Пенев, изп. директор на ЗАД "Алианц България".

Интригуващ е материалът без ав-

**БАНКЕРЪ** тор "Тайното наддаване за КФН продължава", публикуван в

бр.26 (28.06.-04.07.2008 г.) на в. "Банкерь" Заглавието само говори - реч иде за изтеклите мандати на петима членове на Комисията за финансов надзор и за евентуалното заемане на техните места от нови лица. В същия брой отново имаме възможност да се срещнем с Георги Момчилов, изпълнителен директор на Апиани България Живот" Интег Светла Стоилова и е озаглавено "Застраховките предлагат инвестиционни възможности".

В следващия (27/05.-11.07.2008 г.) брой на същия вестник са поместени две информации "Търси се ново име за "Български имоти" (за сутрешната работна закуска на ЗПАД "Булстрад"), която в. "Застраховател прес" отразява на страница и половина в настоящия си брой. И "ДЗИ с нов надзорник". Това е Красен Станчев, който заема мястото на Асен Ошанов.

Интересен и интересно разработен е от Светлана Стоилова в същия брой на в. "Банкеръ" материалът "Изкушението Задължителни застраховки" и подзаглавие "Куцият контрол спъва ефективността".

На една страница в бр. 26 от 27 юни т.г. на в. "КЕШ" има 4 информации "Refrech в "Бул инс" с подзаглавийца

"Доц.Стоян Проданов е новият изпълнителен директор на дружеството" и "Кой е новият шеф" (Петрозар Петков). Втората е "Професор Нено Павлов предложен за зам.-председател на КФН", третата "Общо застраховане записа 476 752 млн.лв. премии" и четвъртата "11% спад на здравноосигурителните дружес-

И в още един брой на в. "КЕШ" (28 от 11 юли 2008 г.) има материали от разглежданата област. В рубриката "Смяна на креслата" напусна "Дженерали", събитие, което отразяваме и ние на 2 стр. в днешния брой. А в страницата "Застраховане" са публикувани материалите "30% ръст на кражбите на застраховани автомобили", с подзаглавие "Български имоти" се специализира в автомобилното застраховане, до края на годината сменя името си" и "КФН предприема мерки за повишаване обхвата на "Гражданска отговор-

М за-вършвам **ИКОНОМИЧЕСКИ** 

този преход с нашумелия случай в с. Челопечене, на който посвещава материала си Албена Алексиева "Какви обезщетения се плашат" в бр. 27 на в. "Икономически живот".

Прегледа направи ПЕТЪР АНДАСАРОВ