



# Christmas Presentations



*For RMA members, what's Christmas without some risk assessment ... and that's why at our end of year do we've got some scores for you ....*

Our special Christmas presentations this year examine the greatest risks facing the financial sector, based on the 2006 Banking Banana Skins survey. Conducted by the Centre for the Study of Financial Innovation (CSFI), a non-profit think-tank, and sponsored by PricewaterhouseCoopers, this widely respected survey of 468 bankers and close observers of banking from 60 countries, is authored by CSFI co-director David Lascelles.

At two exclusive Australian presentations for the RMA, courtesy of PwC, David will present his survey findings, and will be joined by a panel of experts from the banking, regulatory and professional services sectors to discuss the highest ranked concerns of financial institutions - the top five being:

**Australia**

1. Too much regulation
2. Commodities
3. Business continuation
4. Corporate governance
5. Dependence on technology

**Global**

1. Too much regulation
2. Credit risk
3. Derivatives
4. Commodities
5. Interest rates

David Lascelles is a widely connected and experienced finance and business analyst, and for 25 years he was a senior player at the Financial Times, including Banking Editor and New York bureau chief.

At the cocktail receptions following the presentations, you will have the opportunity to meet David and our panel of senior risk management professionals, including Tom Karp who oversees the technical support areas of APRA that encompasses specialist risk services.

With roving performers, live music and raffle draw, all within a special venue setting, these will be no risk, purely rewarding and entertaining Christmas functions not to be missed.

**Complimentary events for RMA Members.**

*New members are welcome to join online for \$40 (conditions apply) at [www.rmaaustralia.org](http://www.rmaaustralia.org)*

*Non-Member Institutional representatives are welcome, please contact the **rma** Events Manager [carmstrong@rmaaustralia.org](mailto:carmstrong@rmaaustralia.org) or Ph: 02 9776 7978*

The Risk Management Association (**rma**) is the premier Association for Risk Management professionals. Well established in the US, the **rma** Australia was incorporated in 2004 and has chapters in Sydney, Melbourne and Brisbane. Institutional members include all major Australian Banks, professional service firms, regulatory bodies and there are currently over 1000 individuals in our membership database.

**rma's Objectives**

- To provide a forum for members to enhance and share their knowledge of risk management principles and practices.
- To foster continuous professional growth and development of our members.
- To improve and support risk management education and training.
- To keep our members aware of emerging developments in global risk management practices.
- To promote ethical standards and professional conduct in the Australian financial services industry.

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## Facing up to the Risks

Keynote address:

**David Lascelles**

Co-Director, Centre for the Study of Financial Innovation  
& Author CSFI & PricewaterhouseCoopers  
'Banking Banana Skins' annual surveys

Guest panel:

**Tom Karp**

Executive General Manager, Supervisory Support Division,  
Australian Prudential Regulation Authority

**Rob Whitfield** (Syd)

Group Chief Risk Officer, Westpac

**Mike Hamar** (Melb)

Group Chief Risk Officer, NAB

Facilitator:

**Michael Codling**

Partner, Banking & Capital Markets, PricewaterhouseCoopers

**4:00 - 7:00 pm**

**SYDNEY: Tuesday 5 December**

Heritage Ballroom, The Westin  
1 Martin Place, Sydney

**MELBOURNE: Thursday 7 December**

The Velvet Lounge, BLVD  
6 Queensbridge Square, Southbank

► Cocktails & Canapés

► Live Music & Roving Performers

► Hamper Raffle for Charity  
(don't forget your wallet)

*Complimentary members only events  
- Registration essential -*

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By: 30 Nov