Market Insight: Review of 2017/2018 London Market Changes

The London Accident & Health market continues to play a very important role for the development of insurance and reinsurance business in the United States. The ability of this market to be flexible, competitive and most importantly, innovative, makes it a key component for profitability and growth for US insurers and MGUs. Keeping abreast of the evolving landscape and understanding the impact of market changes are essential elements of maximizing the potential of your business.

General Overview

- Lloyd's bottom decile review set syndicates to identify the worstperforming 10 percent of business across its whole-account gross written premium consecutively over the past three years. This is an initiative to put responsibility on underperforming syndicates to produce and execute a remediation plan to be approved by Lloyd's
 - There is a stronger focus on profitability of individual accounts to improve the overall underwriting result
 - It has been reported that up to five syndicates have been identified to satisfy Lloyd's requirements through the planning process
 - Advent have indicated they will either run off or transfer and integrate their portfolios into separate entities owned by Fairfax, their parent company (Brit, Newline and Allied World, Riverstone)
 - Abundance of reinsurance capacity and increased competition to retain market share among markets however, according to an insurance publication two thirds of A&H Lloyd's Syndicates are underperforming
- Reinsurers under pressure to maintain disciplined terms and conditions
- Uncertainty for European business post Brexit. We anticipate this will have a limited impact on Reinsurance but the change in regulation will affect the Insurance and Life market
- Lloyd's have separated the risk code for Long Term Disability (KB – Long Term Benefit) from the standard Personal Accident KG risk code. This will be applied to business incepting 1 January 2019 onwards
- Increased frequency of individual losses versus catastrophe losses and reports of movement on old years of account dating back to 2015
- Amtrust have announced that they will be running off their Life Syndicate 44 for 2019. There are now only two Life Syndicates operating in Lloyds, AXA XL 3002 and Beazley 3622.

Capacity

8 new entrants to the Accident & Health market: Agora, China Re, Pardus Underwriting, Radius Specialty, NOA, Sompo International, Faraday, Barbican, the latter five markets listed have treaty capacity.

Significant underwriter movement between Companies and Syndicates, >50 changes between 2016/18:

Underwriter movement in Lloyd's by Class	%
Treaty	33%
Direct & Facultative	33%
Both Treaty and Direct & Facultative	21%
K&R/Life/Medical/Contingency	12%

2018 M&A	Previous years' M&A		
Apollo/Aspen	Liberty/Ironshore	Mitsui/Amlin	Catlin/XL Group PLC
China Re/ Chaucer	Sompo/ Endurance	Hannover/ Argenta	Amtrust/ANV
AIG/Validus	Sirius/China Minsheng Investment		
Axis/Novae			
AXA/XL Catlin			

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