

# Update on FIO/NYU Conference on Catastrophic Cyber Risk and a Potential Federal Insurance Response and FIO's Catastrophic Cyber Insurance Work

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**Federal Insurance Office** 

#### **Background**



- To briefly recap, we previously briefed FACI on FIO's catastrophic cyber insurance work:
  - In September 2022, on FIO's just-published Request for Comments on a Potential Federal Insurance Response to Catastrophic Cyber Incidents, and
  - In March 2023, on our high-level Summary of Comments received, as well as on the just-published Administration's National Cybersecurity Strategy, including its Strategic Objective 3.6 stating that "The Administration will assess the need for and possible structures of a Federal insurance response to catastrophic cyber events that would support the existing cyber insurance market."
- Subsequently, the Administration published in July 2023 the Implementation Plan for the National Cybersecurity Strategy.
  - Initiative Number 3.6.1, "Assess the need for a Federal insurance response to a
    catastrophic cyber event," designates Treasury as the Responsible Agency, and
    states that "The Department of the Treasury's Federal Insurance Office, in
    coordination with CISA and ONCD, will assess the need for a Federal insurance
    response to catastrophic cyber events that would support the existing cyber
    insurance market."
  - The Implementation Plan states as the completion date for this Initiative 1Q FY24, or the end of CY 2023

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- To help bring together industry and government participants in the initial stage of FIO's catastrophic cyber insurance assessment whether some kind of federal insurance response to catastrophic insurance response is needed FIO and NYU's Volatility and Risk Institute co-hosted a conference in New York on November 17<sup>th</sup>, with this agenda:
  - Welcoming remarks by Richard Berner, Co-Director, Volatility and Risk Institute,
     NYU Stern and FIO Director Steven Seitz
  - Opening keynote by Nitin Natarajan, Deputy Director, Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA)
  - C-Suite Fireside Chat on Insuring Catastrophic Cyber Risk as a Generational Risk and Opportunity
    - John Doyle, CEO, Marsh McLennan (moderator)
    - Albert Benchimol, former CEO, AXIS Capital
    - John Keogh, President and COO, Chubb
    - Martin South, President and CEO, Marsh
    - Jim Williamson, Group COO and Head of Reinsurance, Everest Global
  - Panel on Catastrophic Cyber Risk and the Cyber Insurance Market
    - Pascal Millaire, CEO, CyberCube (moderator)
    - Tracie Grella, Global Head of Cyber Insurance, AIG
    - Monique Ferraro, Cyber Counsel, HSB, a Munich Re company
    - Darren Pain, Director, Cyber, The Geneva Association
    - Bob Wice, Head of Underwriting Management Cyber Risks, Beazley

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- Nov. 17 conference agenda (cont.)
  - Remarks by Drenan Dudley, Deputy National Cyber Director, Office of the National Cyber Director (ONCD)
  - Panel on Catastrophic Cyber Risk as Viewed by the Policyholder
    - Christian Hoffman, Global Cyber Leader, Aon (moderator)
    - Philippe Cotelle, VP and Chair of the Digital Committee, Federation of European Risk
    - Management Associations (FERMA); and Head of Insurance Risk Management, Airbus
    - Defence & Space
    - William Hillman, Chief Underwriting Officer and incoming President and CEO,
    - Associated Electric & Gas Insurance Services (AEGIS)
    - Kristen Peed, Treasurer, RIMS, and Director of Corporate Risk Management, CBIZ
    - Monica Shokrai, Head of Business Risk and Insurance, Google Cloud
  - Closing Keynote by Graham Steele, Assistant Secretary for Financial Institutions, U.S. Department of the Treasury, who noted that further exploration of the proper federal insurance response to catastrophic cyber risk is warranted and should be undertaken.

### **FIO's Next Steps on Catastrophic Cyber Insurance Assessment**



Treasury will host another conference during the week of April 22 at U.S. Treasury exploring in more detail the issues raised at the November conference, including the potential forms that a federal insurance response to catastrophic cyber risk might take, including a public-private partnership or other collaborative mechanism. This conference, which FIO will organize, will also draw on the expertise of industry and other cyber insurance stakeholders.