

Insurance claims

Forensic and
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As the global financial crisis worsens, we can be sure that this will be a catalyst for an increase in insurance claims, with questions arising around fraud and financial motive.

Our expertise

Mazars has considerable experience of working with insurers in a broad range of insurance claims. This includes:

- Business interruption
- Product liability
- Directors and officers
- Professional negligence
- Public liability

The current economic climate requires greater awareness of insurance fraud and overstated claims. Consideration must also be given to whether the parties making the claim have a financial motive which is linked to the causation. We have a proven expertise in investigating issues of alleged fraud and financial motive.

Our forensic approach

Our partner led teams have extensive experience and a proven track record of dealing with insurance claims in the UK and internationally. We are able to combine the experience of our internationally coordinated Forensic and Investigation Services team and other specialists within Mazars, to provide authoritative and impartial advice.

Although each case is unique, our approach will often include:

- Analysing large amounts of data
- Advising on further information that should be available
- Dealing with multiple parties
- Interviewing individuals
- Presenting our findings orally and in a report in a manner that is clear to non-accountants
- Liaising with other professionals

Our practical and tailored approach is designed to specifically meet the needs of individual cases.

Partners and directors within our Forensic and Investigation Services team are appointed as experts in relation to insurance claims, and are experienced in a range of dispute resolution techniques including litigation, arbitration, mediation and all party negotiations.

How we can help

Mazars is recognised for its expertise in dealing with claims. We establish the circumstances of the claim, the incumbent sensitivities in the financial calculations and determine the veracity of the underlying assumptions. We present our findings in a robust and authoritative manner. We utilise the expertise of industry specialists across our global practice. The team investigates claims in the UK and overseas.

Our experts



**Nigel Grummitt – Partner, London
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Nigel has worked with insurers on a number of matters, including business interruption and professional negligence claims across a wide range of sectors. Nigel has an active audit portfolio and is ideally placed to advise on auditor negligence liability issues as well as on quantum issues. Nigel is the Partner responsible for dealing with professional indemnity claims against Mazars in the UK.

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