



Argo Group Appoints Bill Wharton to Head of Argo Insurance Bermuda

Nigel Mortimer to lead International Casualty

HAMILTON, Bermuda – January 8, 2019 – Argo Group International Holdings, Ltd. (NYSE: ARGO), an international underwriter of specialty insurance and reinsurance, today announced the appointment of Bill Wharton to Head of Argo Insurance Bermuda, effective immediately. Wharton will also continue as Head of Professional Lines in Bermuda. This change comes as former Head of Argo Insurance Bermuda, Nigel Mortimer, moves into a new role leading the company's International Casualty business from its London office. Wharton will report to Matt Harris, Head of International. Mortimer will report to Steve Eccles, International Chief Underwriting Officer.

"We have a strong international platform with a deep bench of high-performing leaders," said Harris. "This latest change leverages Bill and Nigel's respective areas of expertise and proven records of success to continue to profitably grow the business."

Wharton moves into his role leading Argo Insurance Bermuda with more than 23 years of industry experience. He joined Argo in 2015 as an Underwriting Manager. Prior to joining Argo, he was Head of Financial Lines, Asia at Catlin. Before that, he served as Chief Underwriting Officer for XL Group's professional lines, underwriting activities outside the U.S. and Bermuda. He was Vice President, Professional Lines for XL Insurance in Bermuda, serving U.S. Fortune 500 companies. Wharton graduated from University of Pittsburgh with a Bachelor of Arts in economics.

Mortimer joined Argo in 2009. He has been responsible for the company's international insurance operations (with the exception of Lloyd's Syndicate 1200), having helped build the company's insurance operations in Bermuda, Brazil, Continental Europe and Dubai. Prior to joining Argo, Mortimer served a number of years in XL's Bermuda operations as Underwriting Manager of its casualty operations, as well as SVP and Director of Product Development focused on driving profitable growth throughout XL's global network. Mortimer also worked in Bermuda, New York, London and Australia for companies such as Chubb Corporation, Zurich International and Zurich Re. Mortimer earned an honors degree in economics from the University of Hertfordshire in England.

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