

Short version (for use in press releases)

About Insurance Ireland

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Long version (for use in stakeholder documents, reports, publications)

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Insurance is a cornerstone of modern business and financial life, and makes a major contribution to Ireland's economic growth and development. One of the most important aspects of insurance is to support customers when they need it most.

As the voice of the industry, Insurance Ireland's key functions include:

- Representing its members' interests to Government, state agencies, regulatory bodies, public representatives, other national interest groups, the media and the general public.
- Representing the position of members at a European level, particularly via Insurance Europe, the European Association for national insurance company representative bodies, and at a global level via the Global Federation of Insurance Associations (GFIA).
- Keeping members abreast of relevant policy and regulatory developments and providing a forum for member debates on such issues.
- Providing information to Government, the wider policymaking community and the public about insurance.

For further information see <u>www.insuranceireland.eu</u>

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