



AIG introduces inner city schools to the world of risk and insurance

11 July 2016 – AIG today launched its second work experience programme, connecting young people with the insurance industry. The programme, which is running from 11th to 22nd July, will give 16-17 year old students from inner-city London schools first-hand exposure to working in the world of risk and insurance. The programme is also supported by the Chartered Institute of Insurers, the Chartered Institute of Loss Adjusters, Working Voices and EY.

Helen Brown, Head of Operations, Multinational, who organised the programme, explained, “Insurance is rarely the first choice of young people who are looking for a career and, in the case of some inner city areas in London, a career in anything is not expected at all. Following the success of the inaugural work experience programme last year, we were really keen to give another set of school children the opportunity to raise their ambitions and make an informed choice about their futures – in work or at university.

“We have put together a programme that includes the Discover Risk event from the CII, which is a fun but valuable way for students to understand more about how our sector assesses a wide range of risks around the world. Another day is devoted to a simulation with EY. Students will also be given the opportunity to experience what it is like to manage decisions for an insurance company – and see the results, through a competitive simulation. Finally they will be undertaking some project work around product development and delivery – offering the very different perspective of our future buyers and colleagues.”

A total of 30 students from four inner city schools are participating in the initiative. These included Sir John Cass School, Tower Hamlets, Clapton Girl’s Academy and Petchey Academy.

Over 45 people from AIG will be involved.

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