10TH INTERNATIONAL AFIR COLLOQUIUM

Tromsø, Norway, 20 - 23 June 2000

You will find the "First Announcement and Call for Papers" with preliminary application forms on the homepage of IAA and Den norske Aktuarforening (The Norwegian Society of Actuaries) respectively: www.actuaries.org (AFIR section) and www.aktfor.no. These websites will be regularly updated with information concerning the AFIR 2000 Colloquium.

The "First Announcement" was sent by ordinary mail to all AFIR members just after the closing of the 9th meeting. At that time, the "Second Announcement" with formal invitation and final application forms, was expected in early November 1999, posted out to all AFIR members and other persons who have delivered preliminary application forms to the AFIR 2000 Secretariat. The colloquium is open for all professionals interested in financial engineering problems.

The Scientific Committee chaired by Professor Ragnar Norberg, has announced that papers for the AFIR 2000 Colloquium should be submitted prior to January 2000.

In the AFIR Committee Meeting in Tokyo on 25 August 1999, the Scientific Committee was asked to show a certain flexibility concerning this short time limit, which was met with a positive response from Mr Thorleif Borge, Chairman of the Organising Committee for the AFIR 2000 Colloquium. Since the Scientific Committee have to work to tight deadlines, high quality papers submitted significantly after this date may be accepted but carry the risk that their work will not be published in the official conference proceedings. It is the Organising Committee's ambition to post out the proceedings to the participants in early May 2000. One solution, when an accepted paper arrives late, may be to put it into a book which is not posted out to participants in advance, but distributed only in Tromsø, to be discussed, e.g. in a special Speaker's Corner Session during the Colloquium.

Any specific question concerning the AFIR 2000 Meeting can be raised to its Secretariat on email address mharbitz@norskeliv.no