

## Pensions De-risking Conference

Organised by Mercer, a conference with a mix of presentations, interviews and panel discussions was transmitted live via the internet from the London Stock Exchange on 10 September 2009 to audiences in locations throughout the UK. In addition, at each location, an “offline” facilitated discussion break took place enabling delegates to share their experiences and consider questions put to the experts in the studio.

Key questions addressed at the event included:

- What’s ‘hot’ in the risk transfer market?
- What are the new alternatives to buy-out and buy-in and how do they compare?
- How do you make sure you're in the best position to capture opportunities as and when they arrive?
- Longevity swaps – should you want one?
- Is “dynamic de-risking” right for everyone?



**Capita’s Rosemary Kennell, Director of Capita ATL Pension Trustees Limited & Capita Pension Trustees Limited** was one of the industry experts who spoke at the event.

As chair of trustees of the Emap Earnings Related Pension Plan trustee board, Rosemary led the £170m buy-out in 2007, the first all risks transfer to an insurer. She is currently the chair of a trustee board undertaking a very similar deal. Amongst other trustee roles, Rosemary is also chair of one of the Sea Containers pension schemes, the only schemes where the Pensions Regulator has issued Financial Support Directions on the companies involved, and she was a witness in the Chapter 11 bankruptcy court on behalf of the trustee board.

Rosemary is an Associate of the Institute of Actuaries, a Fellow of the Pensions Management Institute and also of the Royal Statistical Society.