

W. R. BERKLEY INSURANCE (EUROPE), LIMITED

W. R. Berkley Insurance (Europe), Limited is a UK capital based specialist insurer with branch offices in Spain, Australia and Ireland and Norway. It has also recently announced its intention of setting up a branch in Cologne, Germany.



A BERKLEY
COMPANY

OUR MISSION

W. R. Berkley Insurance (Europe), Limited is an insurer founded on the traditional values of professionalism, integrity and service. In everything we do, we aim to operate ethically and to provide a highly professionalized service that meets the very highest standards.

COMPANY DESCRIPTION

W. R. Berkley Insurance (Europe), Limited was formed in July 2003 as a London-based FSA authorized insurer. We are currently authorized by the FSA to underwrite business in the United Kingdom, Spain, Ireland and Norway. We are also in the process of establishing a branch in Germany. We are also passported to write in other European countries on a Freedom of Services basis. In addition we are authorized by APRA to underwrite locally in Australia via our Sydney office.

HOW W. R. BERKLEY INSURANCE (EUROPE), LIMITED IS DIFFERENT

We believe that people are the most important part of our business, whether they are employees, intermediaries, or policyholders. Our extensive team of experienced staff is renowned for its ability in finding innovative solutions to clients' needs. We care about our clients and look to build long-term relationships. Our claims philosophy is to 'play fair and pay promptly.' We know the importance of working with our clients to protect their reputations as well as their finances. No two claims are alike so we take a flexible approach, using internal and external expertise to the best effect.

We believe in local experts making decisions on local business, hence our highly decentralized approach to our structure.

OUR PRODUCTS

Professional Indemnity W. R. Berkley Insurance (Europe), Limited is known throughout the industry for the quality and breadth of its professional indemnity business. We offer all classes of professional indemnity – whether traditional or new.

Directors' & Officers' Liability W. R. Berkley Insurance (Europe), Limited specializes in providing directors' and officers' liability insurance to the small to medium-sized company sector.

General Liability We write Employers, third party and products liability coverages.

Medical Malpractice Our Spanish offices are rapidly becoming known as a leading provider of malpractice cover for risks such as doctors and private hospitals. In the UK whilst we specialize in non-invasive complementary, supplementary and ancillary medical risks we are always looking to expand our writings to the wider aspects of medical malpractice.

Personal Accident & Travel We have a strong team that underwrites a book of business that adds to and complements our existing client base. Concentrating on general UK and European business, the team are also recognized as specialists in the field of sports related covers.

Engineering & Construction We are regarded as having a very experienced team of market specialists to underwrite these highly technical classes on a world wide basis.

Marine Hull and Cargo Underwritten out of our Norwegian office and responding to the needs of the Norwegian and International market we have acquired a highly experienced team of local experts who are well known and respected in their market for their knowledge and service levels.

Property Casualty packages Written out of our Norwegian and German branches responding to their local markets, and seen from Germany for the local markets, our experts are renowned for their ability to offer a high level of service and expertise for our selected broker panel. In Norway to complete the client package we also write commercial motor insurance.

As specialist niche underwriters W. R. Berkley Insurance (Europe), Ltd are always looking at expanding their product base by the employment of specialist underwriters in local territories.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- A.M. Best Company and Standard & Poor's Financial Strength Rating of A+ (Superior) and A+ (Strong) respectively reflects our excellent capitalization, highly experienced management team, strong prospective financial performance, and long-standing relationships with brokers in the London and branch markets.
- Excellent risk-based capitalization. Capital and surplus of £132.7 million (\$212.5 million) at 31 December 2009 is substantially in excess of regulatory minimum requirements.
- Very good business profile. Gross premium written for 2009 was £106.6 million (\$170.6 million).



STUART WRIGHT, FCII
Chief Executive Officer

Stuart Wright has over 30 years experience in the UK insurance market. He has worked for insurance companies both in the regions and in London, and was an active underwriter of a Lloyd's Syndicate, underwriting business worldwide. He is a Fellow of the Chartered Insurance Institute.

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