

#### December 2021





ACORD Solutions Group's <u>ADEPT</u> (ACORD <u>Data Exchange Platforms</u> <u>and Translator</u>) was named among the inaugural class of winners of PropertyCasualty360's "Insurance Innovator" Awards! The awards honor companies, people, programs, and practices that are helping to modernize and humanize the P&C insurance business. ADEPT was recognized as a leading technology asset for the insurance industry.

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## **Updates to the ACORD Reference Architecture**

ACORD recently released updates to its Reference Architecture, enhancing its three data-related facets: the **Information Model**, **Data Model**, and **Business Glossary**. The changes in Version 2.9 have been synchronized among the three models and expand several subject areas covered in the Reference Architecture, including Activity, Agreement, Event, Product Specification, and Registration.

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#### Renew Your ACORD Forms License for 2022

Various ACORD membership programs also include access to ACORD Forms. The data on ACORD Forms work with the Standards to increase efficiency, accuracy, and speed of information processing for your organization. Don't forget to claim your 2022 <a href="End User License">End User License</a> for vendor-supplied ACORD Forms, and to renew your Advantage Plus subscription.

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Morning Data, a leading specialist London Market insurance software provider, announced earlier this month that it would be donating its Conceptual Data Model to the industry through ACORD. Conceptual Data Model assets support data warehousing and application building, and ACORD will incorporate the material into the existing Data Model and Information Model of the **ACORD Reference Architecture**.

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### **ACORD** in the News

It was a busy month in ACORD news. ACORD was featured in <u>Insurance</u> <u>Business America</u>, <u>Insurance Edge</u>, and <u>PropertyCasualty360</u>, among others.

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# Join the Women in Insurance Initiative's Data Collection Effort

The Million Women Mentors' Women in Insurance Initiative (WII) launched its Driving Change 2021 study to collect information on employee demographics, diversity, equity & inclusion programs, gender parity initiatives and opportunities for women of color in the insurance industry. Companies can participate in this survey by filling out the registration form here.

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Insurance Industry Charitable Foundation

## **ACORD Donates Video to IICF Annual Gala**

The Insurance Industry Charitable Foundation (IICF) Northeast hosted its annual gala, and ACORD was pleased to once again donate the <u>video</u> profiling the 2021 IICF Northeast grant recipients. Congratulations to the honorees!

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## Insurance Business America Names Industry's "Hot 100"

Insurance Business America's "Hot 100" list of insurance professionals recognizes individuals across seniority levels and industry experience for having "a can-do attitude in the face of adversity, a solid understanding of themselves and the industry, and a willingness to extend a helping hand to the next generation of insurance professionals."

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# ACORD Presents the Winners of Two Insurance Times Awards

ACORD was pleased to sponsor and present two awards at this year's **Insurance Times Awards**, which celebrate excellence and innovation in insurance. The Insurer Innovation of the Year award was given to FM Global in recognition of the company's innovative transition to remote services during the pandemic. Churchill Insurance won for the Best Digital Customer Experience, an accolade based on a **study** conducted annually by ACORD.

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#### The Latest in ACORD Standards

#### **Property & Casualty**

• Final releases for the ACORD P&C XML and AL3 2021 were announced on December 10. View the XML and AL3 releases.

#### Life & Annuity

• The <u>ACORD L&A XML 21-1</u> final release is set to launch in the next few days. Thank you for your participation, input, and votes!

#### **Next-Generation Digital Standards**

• The NGDS 1.4.0 release cycle is underway, with voting set to begin next week. The ballot review will be available on our **recorded webinars** page.

#### **Forms**

• A mid-cycle forms update was released in early December. Access the Forms Notification and Forms Index.



# Join the Effort to Help Standardize Life Insurance Applications

The ACORD Life & Annuity team is launching a new Standards Project Group to develop standardized life insurance applications in January 2022. Members are welcome to participate and can reach out to <a href="mailto:standards@acord.org">standards@acord.org</a> for more details. You can also watch ACORD's Debra Sahler and Andy Kramer of M Financial discuss this new effort in a **brief video**.



## Find New Talent in Insurance Technology

The <u>ACORD Insurance Technology Career Center</u> is a hub for talent in insurance technology, with candidates from across the spectrum of experience, capabilities, and specialties. Employers can join the Career Center to discover new talent in the industry and support the next generation of insurance professionals.

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## Gamma lota Sigma to Host Conference and Career Fair in 2022

Gamma lota Sigma's Regional Conferences serve as a centralized access point for students and insurance industry organizations to connect with regional networks. The 2022 conference will be held on January 28 in a fully virtual format, providing a forum for Gamma lota Sigma students to access industry resources, professional contacts, career opportunities, and expand their industry knowledge.

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January 28, 2022
Gamma Iota Sigma: 2022 Regional
Conference
Virtual Event

March 27-29, 2022
America's Claims Executive
Leadership Forum
New Orleans, LA

February 24-26, 2022 Black Women Of The Insurance Industry: SISTERHOOD Tampa, FL

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