Dr. Wouter Botzen

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Dr. Wouter Botzen is full Professor of Economics of Climate Change and Natural Disasters at the Department of Environmental Economics, Institute for Environmental Studies (IVM), Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam. He is Head of the Department of Environmental Economics. Moreover, he is full Professor of Economics of Global Environmental Change at the Utrecht University School of Economics, Utrecht University. He is a senior research fellow at the Risk Management and Decision Processes Center at the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania.

Dr. Botzen holds a PhD from Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam and an MSc in economics from the University of Maastricht.

Leslie Chapman-Henderson

President and CEO
Federal Alliance for Safe Homes (FLASH)

Leslie Chapman-Henderson is the president and chief executive officer of the nonprofit Federal Alliance for Safe Homes (FLASH), the country's leading consumer advocate for strengthening homes and safeguarding families from natural and manmade disasters. FLASH was founded in 1998 and brings together more than 100 diverse partners that share a vision of making America a more disaster-resilient nation.
Greta Richardson is the Product Delivery Division Director at FEMA/FIMA overseeing FIMA’s Claims, Underwriting, Industry Management and NFIP Direct branches. She has over 25 years of experience managing and/or supporting FEMA programs which includes the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) and the Individual Assistance Technical Assistance Contract (IA-TAC). She led the NFIP Bureau and Statistical Agent (BSA) as Project Director and previously served as Claims Manager for a Write Your Own servicing vendor. At the NFIP Direct Servicing Agent (DSA), she managed the field General Adjusters, performed oversight of the NFIP Claims Presentations, supervised Claim Examiners and managed disaster response offices throughout the U.S. Ms. Richardson has a Bachelor of Business Administration degree with a concentration in Insurance and holds the Associate in National Flood Insurance (ANFI) designation.
Ken Graham

Director
National Hurricane Center

Ken Graham is the Director of the NOAA National Hurricane Center in Miami, Fla. He received his Bachelor of Atmospheric Science Degree at the University of Arizona, and earned a Master of Science Degree in Geosciences from Mississippi State University. While in Mississippi, he was a broadcast meteorologist for a CBS affiliate and was an agricultural meteorologist for the Mississippi Network Radio.

Dr. Anne Cope

Chief Engineer
Insurance Institute for Business Home and Safety (IBHS)

Dr. Anne Cope joined IBHS in 2009 just a few months before the groundbreaking for the construction of the IBHS Research Center in Richburg, South Carolina. As the Chief Engineer, she leads the development of research programs to improve the performance of structures in hurricanes, wildfires, severe thunderstorms, and hailstorms as well as the team of engineers,
scientists, and skilled craftsmen who conduct research on full-scale homes and commercial buildings. She is responsible for the team’s implementation of research findings into building codes and standards.

Ray Farmer

NAIC President
South Carolina Insurance Commissioner

Ray Farmer has served as Director for the South Carolina Department of Insurance since former Governor Nikki Haley appointed him on November 13, 2012. Mr. Farmer brings fifty years of experience in the insurance industry to his leadership role.

Mr. Farmer served as the Deputy Insurance Commissioner of the Enforcement Division for the Georgia Department of Insurance and more recently Vice President for the American Insurance Association. Mr. Farmer is a member of the State Bar of Georgia and a member of the Tort and Insurance Practice section, as well as the Workers’ Compensation section. Mr. Farmer also has the honor of being elected to serve as the President for the National Association of Insurance Commissioners.