



Guide to Pension Fund Governance

Improving Trustee Effectiveness and Decision-Making



LA Forum – Introduction to Investment Governance:

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Duration: 2 Hours

Whether you are an elected member or appointed representative in a local government (LGPS) pension fund, the statutory and regulatory requirements placed on you are quite similar. In essence if not in law, you are all 'trustees' and increasingly pressure is being put upon you to better understand the investment decisions you are required to take.

As a result and in response to a rapidly changing economic environment, trustees are demanding more extensive and formal training to evidence their development. At LA Forum we provide a variety of courses to address a wide range of topics, from investment strategy and cost saving initiatives, to the core technical requirements.

The Introduction to Pension Fund Governance seminar is designed to give trustees the ability, knowledge and tools to question and challenge the information and advice they are given, and to make effective investment decisions which can improve pension fund performance.

The speakers will deliver practical guidance on how a pension fund can better measure and manage investment activities to meet long-term investment objectives, as well as sharing useful insights from the world of hands-on investment management.

This fully independent governance training is provided by FCA regulated investment practitioners with more than 25 years of practical institutional investment experience and performance improvement track-records. It is our experience that small improvements can often make a big difference.

“Research shows that improved investment governance and increased in-house knowledge can lead to annual performance improvements of 0.5-1.0% without taking on any more investment risk.” Henrik Pedersen – Managing Partner, Clerus.

By the end of this course you will be able to:

- Identify potential areas of improvement to investment governance for your pension scheme
- Understand how these improvements can contribute to cost reduction and performance improvement
- Apply simple and practical investment management thinking to the review of investment propositions
- Challenge investment strategy and value-for-money
- Develop a simple framework to measure and assess investment advice objectively
- Question and challenge 'experts' with increased confidence



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