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Wharton School's Pension Research Council Welcomes IFEBP as Associate Level Member

The [Pension Research Council](#) at the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania is pleased to announce that the [International Foundation of Employee Benefit Plans](#) has rejoined the Council as an Associate Level Member for 2025.

Ms. Julie Stich, CEBS, Vice President of Content at the International Foundation of Employee Benefit Plans, said, "The Pension Research Council of the Wharton School has made significant contributions to understanding the global retirement challenge and ways we can come together as an industry to address it, and we are delighted to support this effort. We look forward to working with our academic and business partners to advance research, explore policy issues, and develop innovative approaches to retirement in the United States and abroad."

[Dr. Olivia S. Mitchell](#), Professor of Insurance/Risk Management and Applied Economics/Policy, and Executive Director of the Wharton's Pension Research Council at the University of Pennsylvania, said: "The Council is delighted to continue our research relationship with the Foundation. We look forward to ever-greater collaboration on matters of retirement security and financial literacy."

The International Foundation of Employee Benefit Plans is the premier educational organization dedicated to providing the diverse employee benefits community with objective, solution-oriented education, research, and information to ensure the health and financial security of plan beneficiaries worldwide. The Foundation has more than 31,000 multiemployer, corporate, and public sector members representing over 25 million lives. For additional information, visit www.ifebp.org.

The Pension Research Council is committed to generating debate on key policy issues affecting pensions and other employee benefits. The Council sponsors interdisciplinary research on private pension and social security programs, as well as related benefit plans in the United States and around the world. It supports scholarly research on global aging, successful retirement, and retirement income security while facilitating access to research and data critical to the investigation of retirement security. Working papers are posted on the [Pension Research Council website](#) and available for download.

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