

Latin American forum

On 27 November 2014, The Standard Club hosted its first Latin American forum for members, brokers and other industry professionals. The forum was an opportunity for attendees to meet, share ideas, discuss industry issues and generally get to know each other better.

The forum opened with introductions to The Standard Club and Charles Taylor Adjusting. We also explained the broad range of insurance cover the club provides to members, including those operating in the specialist offshore sector. Presentations were then given by the Latin American team, highlighting the key features of the cover we provide and the expertise we use when handling claims for our members.



Recent case study

The importance of our regional office was highlighted recently, on 18 August 2014, when a ferry owned by one of our members ran aground and partially sank in an environmentally sensitive and remote tourist area in southern Chile. We deployed a representative from our Rio office to attend with our local correspondents, a marine consultant and a representative from the pollution experts, ITOPF. The team worked closely with the member and local lawyers to co-ordinate the initial response in conjunction with the Maritime Authority. In particular, this included managing the oil spill response, the tender for the bunker removal operations and, following the successful completion of those operations, the tender for the removal of the wreck itself.

Drawing on the assistance of our London and New York offices, the club's team was also able to help the member with the initial flood of other matters requiring urgent attention. These included dealing with the immediate needs and subsequent claims of the crew and passengers, media enquiries, complex tax issues and cargo claims.