

Lisa S. Ponti, PhD – Bio

Dr. Ponti is Vice President - Institutional Outreach, The Americas at the Global Association of Risk Professionals (GARP). She joined GARP in 2014 as a member of the FRM Exam Development team. In that capacity she worked directly on the creation of the FRM exam, particularly in the areas of financial markets and products as well as current issues in financial markets. Her role in institutional outreach encompasses meeting with students to discuss the FRM and ERP certification programs, as well as working with universities and corporations to establish partnerships in risk education between these institutions and GARP. She is also diligently working to raise the profile of both programs among regulatory agencies in the financial and energy markets as well.

Dr. Ponti has a Bachelor's degree in Finance with an Economics minor from Penn State University as well as an MBA with a concentration in Finance and a Doctorate in Business Education from New York University. After college she worked in commercial banking first as an analyst then as a lending officer before transitioning to academia, teaching statistics, economics and finance at several local universities including NYU, Fordham, Montclair State and Ramapo College. A Philadelphia native, Dr. Ponti is a huge sports fan and despite now living in New Jersey she remains a loyal supporter of all Philly teams and her alma mater, much to the annoyance of friends and colleagues.