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Kim holds a BA (Hons) in Law and an LLM in Maritime Law. She qualified as a Barrister in 1986 and then joined Thomas Miller P&I. She was appointed Chief Executive Officer of BLP Insurance in 2012.

Kim started as a claims handler working on UK P&I claims, becoming an Area Director of a team handling P&I claims in 1998, following a 3-year secondment to the Oasis Project Management team. Oasis encompassed document imaging and workflow and was a key accelerator in levels of customer service.

Kim became the Group Internal Auditor in 2002 and holds a CIA qualification from the Chartered Institute of Internal Auditors. She worked for Thomas Miller Investment from 2005 in the role of Commercial Director, prior to joining Building LifePlans Ltd as Chief Operating Officer in 2008. In 2016, BLP Insurance was named as one of the London Stock Exchange’s 1,000 Companies to Inspire Britain.

Kim’s sector experience encompasses third party claims in shipping, and operational, legal, compliance and regulatory experience in investments and construction insurance.