# **IPReg Consultation proposing a sunset clause to historic exemptions**



#### **The IPReg Proposal**

*That the historical exams/course should no longer be considered acceptable for entry onto the register.* 

#### NLS' area of interest

NLS has offered the RTMA Intensive Qualification Course since 2011. The proposal correctly states the reasons for its introduction. NLS agrees that the exemption for former JEB candidates should cease and agrees with the reasons given in the proposal for its cessation.

### Sunset Clause – 18 months

NLS has concerns about the proposal for the length of the sunset clause. NLS considers this to be too generous a period given the comments made in the proposal concerning the currency of any JEB assessments held up for exemption.

The proposal acknowledges those that may have taken career breaks and NLS agrees with the comment that "eligible JEB graduates who may have taken career breaks have been sufficiently accommodated".

### **Foundation Level Qualification**

Although these proposed arrangements do not affect NLS' offering, NLS is in agreement with the proposal to remove the exemptions for the same reasons submitted in the proposal for the ending of the RTMA Intensive Qualification Course for former JEB candidates.

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