



2024 FREE-TO-ATTEND OHS SEMINAR THEATRE PROGRAMME

11 - 13 JUNE 2024 | GALLAGHER CONVENTION CENTRE | JHB | HALL 3 | STAND AA04

DAY 1: 11 JUNE 2024

10H00: DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT AND LABOUR OHS LEGISLATION – UPDATE

Ms Milly Ruiters – Department of Employment and Labour. Ms Ruiters is the Chief Inspector of the Inspections and Enforcement Services Branch of the Department and Employment Labour. Ms Ruiters holds a BSc Biological Science, BSc Honors in Industrial Physiology, MSc Occupational Hygiene and MBA from NWU. Ms Ruiters also has two postgraduate qualifications viz. Project Management and Ergonomics, and is registered as an Occupational Hygienist and a honorary member of Saioosh.

11H00: BLACKLINE SAFETY G7C LIVE DEMONSTRATION

Alan James Lewis - Trigas Agencies. Alan is the Owner Managing Member at Trigas Agencies since it's inception in 1998. Mr. Lewis has vast experience in gas detection having been involved in the industry for over 36 years. In this timeframe he has witnessed and encompassed how the technologies have evolved to the smart devices that we are showcasing. Previously Mr. Lewis owned his own gas detection company from 1986 to 1995 that was sold to a group on the Johannesburg Stock Exchange. Preceding this, Mr. Lewis worked for two gas detection companies where he was first blooded at MSA.

12H00: LIVE INDUSTRIAL HEALTH AND SAFETY THEATRE SHOW

Mr Zee – Aubrey Ndlangamandla. Aubrey is a South African comedian, actor and speaker. Born in Embalenhle Township, in Mpumalanga. He is not only a stand-up comedian and actor, but also a trained and qualified Construction Health and Safety Officer, having worked in the construction industry for four years. He is a founder and director of Aubrey Multimedia an Edutainment company that provides multi-disciplinary services such as industrial theatre, roadshows, brand activations, awareness campaigns and corporate communication.

13H00: FOOTWEAR – ENGINEERED EXCELLENCE

Clayton Bates – Dromex. Clayton is a PPE Product specialist at Dromex. He will be sharing the latest technology and engineering that goes into the design of footwear excellence. Dromex believes that all employees are entitled to maximum protection and that employers should never have to compromise on the quality of the personal protective products they supply. As a PPE leader we believe it is our responsibility to supply products that will deliver on this promise, and it is not something we take lightly.

14H00: HPD ATTENUATION VALIDATION SOLUTION FOR EMPLOYERS: XACT-FIT BY UVEX

Karl Rottcher – Uvex. Karl known as “Buffy” in the industry is a product and business development manager at uvex Safety South Africa. He has 13 years’ experience with uvex South Africa. He started as a product consultant and worked his way up the PPE Ladder and is currently responsible for uvex Product Management, focuses on the following PPE categories: Eyewear/Gloves/Hearing/Head Protection/Disposable Workwear/Respiratory Protection and Prescription Eyewear Safety. He currently serves as an EXCO Member of SAPEMA and sits on the following SABS Technical committees: Eyewear/Gloves/Hearing/Head Protection/ Workwear/Respiratory and Fire and Rescue.

DAY 2: 12 JUNE 2024

10H00: DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT AND LABOUR OHS LEGISLATION – UPDATE

Bulelwa Huna - Senior Specialist: Occupational Health & Hygiene
Elize Lourens - Specialist: Occupational Health & Hygiene
Draft Regulations of Hazardous Chemical Agents and update on Occupational Hygiene Legislation

11H00: SAFETY CULTURE, SEMIOTICS AND SEMANTICS. WHY COMMUNICATION IS CRITICAL TO BUILDING A SAFER WORKPLACE

Mathew Goncalves – AMBER. Mathew Goncalves, Co-founder and COO at Amber. He has a background in Chemical Engineering and an interest in Philosophy and Sociology adding a unique perspective to Health and Safety. Safety culture is a widely discussed and debated concept globally, with diverse interpretations. In this presentation, we'll delve into its origins and offer practical guidance on adopting a human-centric approach to health and safety management. By focusing on clear communication, we'll explore how simplifying our messaging can reshape discussions around risk. Through an understating of semiotics and semantics, safety professionals will learn to critically evaluate their communication strategy.

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13H00: ENHANCING COMPLIANCE, HEALTH AND SAFETY, AND RISK MANAGEMENT THROUGH INNOVATIVE SOFTWARE SOLUTIONS

Yatish Singh – OVS Solutions (Pty) Ltd. Yatish Singh is a new business development manager at OVS Solutions (Pty) Ltd. He has certifications in engineering and health and safety. With over 10 years of experience as a manager in production, Singh has utilized his systems knowledge to improve health and safety compliance, production efficiencies, and staff retention. He is committed to keeping Africa safe and understands the challenges faced in this tough trading environment, ensuring organizations receive the best possible solutions that maximize their value add.

14H00: THE SILENT BUT DEADLY RISK IN AN ELECTRICAL ENVIRONMENT

Dharmesh Lakmidas – DuPont. Dharmesh has over 20 years’ experience in the personal protection equipment industry. Been with DuPont™ for almost 8 years as a Sales Manager for Thermal Apparel in Sub Sahara Africa. Dharmesh Lakmidas also takes part in various South African National Standards committees to upgrade the local standards to international requirements. The South African Bureau of Standards Technical Committees and their members play a vital role in the development of local standards. This participation is on a voluntary basis and helps to develop and improve standards like SANS 724 which covers the design, manufacture, selection, and performance requirements of electric arc rated clothing and equipment for the protection of persons against the thermal hazards of an electric arc.



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11H00: DEBUNKING SECTIONS 16 AND 37 OF THE OHS ACT WITH EMPHASIS ON THE POTENTIAL CRIMINAL LIABILITY OF SECTION 16(2) ASSIGNEES AND THE LEGAL IMPACT OF THE SECTION 37(2) WRITTEN AGREEMENT

Advocate Raynard Looch – Klass Looch Associates. Advocate Raynard Looch is currently the Managing Member of Klass Looch Associates. He obtained my BA.LLB at Pretoria University and joined the Department of Justice in 1983 and was admitted to the Bar as an advocate in 1984. He served as a prosecutor in the Mining Court (OHS Court) until resigning in 1986 to form Klass Looch Associates after identifying a need to offer employers a specialised service. Since 1986 he has successfully represented many employers in criminal matters pertaining to the occupational health and safety legislation and is the author of The Guideline to the Machinery & Occupational Safety Act. He has delivered many papers on the Act and regularly write articles on the Act to a variety of specialised magazines.

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13H00: THE RIPPLE EFFECT OF H&S FAILURES

Dr Sanjay Munnoo – Federated Employers Mutual – FEM
Ms Loria Malindzisa – Federated Employers Mutual – FEM

THE FEDERATED EMPLOYERS MUTUAL ASSURANCE COMPANY (RF) (Pty) Ltd was established as a mutual insurer in 1936 and, on the introduction of the Workmen's Compensation Act 1941, was granted a license to continue to transact workmen's compensation insurance for the construction industry. FEM's business operations are essentially confined to the insurance of employers against their liabilities under the Compensation for Occupational Injuries and Diseases Act 1993 (COIDA). In terms of the Memorandum of Incorporation of the company, shareholding is restricted to policyholders.

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