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## Welcome Message

Welcome to the IOSH Singapore Branch, representing health and safety professionals in Singapore, Indonesia and Malaysia.

*“IOSH Singapore Branch was set up on 28 April 2011 with the aim to support our vision of creating a world of work which is safe, healthy and sustainable. With this aim in our hearts and minds, IOSH SG works closely with Singapore authorities and WSH organisations which share the same goal as IOSH. Besides organising regional seminars, conferences, overseas & local technical visits, members’ nights, we also participate in reviewing of Singapore Standards and code of practice under Singapore Standardisation Council.*

*On 15<sup>th</sup> April 2016, IOSH Singapore branch had their Annual General*

*Meeting (AGM) and new exco team was elected by the members. The new exco team will continue with previous projects and will initiate new strategies and new exciting Occupational Safety & Health (OSH) related activities which will promote OSH regionally and locally.*

*We welcome our entire members to actively participate in all OSH related activities and share the learning with peers to raise OSH awareness. For this we lined up several activities such as CPD/IPD workshop, members networking nights, overseas and local technical visits, WSH conference where IOSH is a strategic partner and many more.*

*Look out for our event calendar. Spreading safety and health beyond workplace, this year we will be organising an IOSH Family Safety Day to raise the safety and health awareness for parents and children.*

*I would like to take this opportunity to thank you on behalf of the Executive Committee for your participation over the last year and wish you a success in career and life.”*

Best regards and wishes,

**Bhupendra Singh Baliyan  
Chair, Singapore Branch**

# Annual General Meeting

Singapore Branch 15 April 2016

On 15<sup>th</sup> April 2016, IOSH Singapore Branch held its Annual General Meeting at the Marriott Hotel in Singapore.

The evening commenced with the Branch Chairman, Darren Brunton welcoming the special guest, followed by showcasing the Branch’s past achievements, initiatives, activities as well as highlighting the great work the branch has contributed to safety in Singapore and the region.

Darren then handed over to Ms Eilidh, a motivational speaker, to kick start with an energetic motivational talk where she shared interesting concepts on how to stay motivated and confident in today’s challenging Safety and Health profession in order to remain optimistic, focused and resilient.

Ms Eilidh introduced “Mental Floss” to members as a simple method to floss away negative and pessimistic mindset of each individual. She ended the presentation with an impactful message, **“Make the wrong things difficult and make the right things easy”** for all members to consider when managing difficult

situation in the workplace.

After dinner, Darren went through the agenda of the AGM which included a proposed change of constitution put forward to members for ratification. Audited accounts were shared by Dr Desmond Lee (Treasurer) and finally, nominations of the ExCo members. Darren handed his baton to the incoming Chairman, Bhupendra Singh Baliyan who was a familiar face as he sits as the Vice Chairman alongside with Darren for the past one year.

Darren then announced the branch’s new executive members to the members who subsequently introduced themselves and thanked all the outgoing ExCo members for their contributions and dedication over the past few years. A Token of appreciation was presented to each members in recognition of their efforts and contributions for the past one year.

The evening ended with the new Branch Chairman Bhupendra, giving a short speech and welcoming the new ExCo members. He also highlighted programs outlined for the new financial

year. Bhupendra urged all members to come forward to join the IOSH family together with collaborative efforts, IOSH will be able to make an impact in the Safety and Health industry.

**Results:** With Darren Brunton stepping down, Bhupendra Singh Baliyan was elected to take over as the Chairman for the first year. Bhupendra will continue to lead the committee in engaging stakeholders and extending the branch’s influence within the region. The Singapore Branch has established good representation from across the various sectors over the years and this will further strengthen the commitment in supporting and ensuring Safety and Health messages are cascaded down to the industry players through various collaboration and events. Moreover, the new ExCo team is thrilled and dedicated to make an impact and difference in all industries.



## Our 2016 Branch Exco now consists of

Chairman	Bhupendra Singh Baliyan	Exco	Lucas Liew Ming Hua
Vice Chairman	Lim Ping	Exco	Sarah Ho Li Min
Immediate Past Chairman	Darren Brunton	Exco	Trish Benson
Hon. Secretary	Nurul Asshekin M	Exco	Tang Ting Keng
Treasurer	Dr. Desmond Lee	Exco	Molly Yuan Xiaomo
Exco	Seah Sok Hwee	Exco	Shaiful Rahmat
Exco	JC Sekar		

## APOSHO Conference 04–07 April 2016, New Delhi



Asia Pacific Occupational Safety and health organisation (APOSHO) conference 31 was held in New Delhi from 4<sup>th</sup> April to 7<sup>th</sup> April 2016. The theme of the Conference was "**Safety, Health & Environment - Shared Vision, Collective Action**".

IOSH, which is an Affiliate Member of APOSHO, presented on the following topics:

- Vincent Ho shared about the IOSH **No-Time-to-Lose Campaign** and raised the awareness of the silica and other particulate matter which are respirable and causes deaths
- John Lacey highlighted the importance of the new ISO 45001 standard specifically on the introduction of leadership commitment and Risk based thinking approach adopted in new ISO 45001 and Andy Lo shared the experience in Hong Kong with regards to 'Design for Safety'.

IOSH Singapore branch was represented by chair Mr. Bhupendra Singh Baliyan who brought his learning back to Singapore and shared with IOSH members.

APOSHO Conference was an excellent platform to update oneself on the regional development in the occupational safety and health sharing and exchanging of experience and expertise in the OSH field.

In the conference there were three Plenary and 12 concurrent technical sessions on a wide range of topics on OSH.

Besides presentation by IOSH members, during the conference plenary

session delegates from various countries shared their challenges and achievements in OSH. Rapidly growing China, its delegate shared their own OSH system and what are laws and regulation framework (State Administration of Work Safety), what are the current challenges for OSH in china under the new norms such as rapid urbanisation, high usage of hazardous material, negligible control on hazardous material and activities, lack of inspection and advance technology.

German social accident insurance delegate spoke about Preventive culture and how to move from safety culture to preventive culture which focuses on prevention of harm and illness. How community and societies can play their important role in cultivating preventive culture right from the beginning of the child hood.

Challenges in promoting the surface transport safety in the India was shared by the delegates who highlighted the barriers such as no legal framework for the driver on the mileage travelled, no rest room on the highways, only make shift rest room which fails to provide adequate rest. Drink and drive habits of the drivers and poor enforcement of traffic laws.

## CPD & IPD Networking Night

20 May 2016, Singapore

On the evening of 20<sup>th</sup> May 2016, IOSH Membership Development Advisor, Mamta Patel was present at Marriott together with Gisela to give an update on the Continuing Professional Development (CPD) & Initial Professional Development (IPD) process. The evening started with a sumptuous dinner and networking session where members get to know more about each other in round table discussion.

After dinner, Mamta proceeded to give a presentation of the recently revised CPD changes such as points/credit are removed and is no longer part of CPD

assessment criteria and such points/credit have been removed and made easier by simply checking the relevant category boxes.

Mamta then went through the IPD process stipulating the criteria for Grad IOSH members to progress to Chartered Member IOSH. Grad members who applied for IPD will go through a process of Open Assessment and/or Skill Portfolio with their CPD being audited. A peer review interview



would be the final assessment process and upon confirmation of outcome, if successful, members will be transferred to Chartered Member.

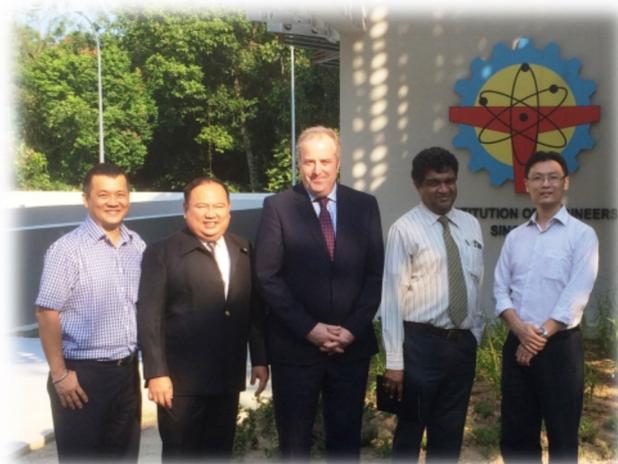
The evening ended with a one to one session conducted by both Mamta and Gisela with members who had registered keen interest on either CPD or IPD process.

# Visit by IOSH Executive Director

Membership Division— James Thorne



↑ Meeting with Professor Aitken and Mr Riediker of Institute of Occupational Medicine (IOM)



↑ Meeting with Dr Goh Yang Miang and Mr Jason Oh of Institution of Engineers Singapore (IES)



← Meeting with Singapore Institute of Safety Officers



↑ Planning and Discussions with IOSH Singapore Branch EXCO



↑ Meeting with Deputy Managing Director and Deputy Director of Building and Construction Authority (BCA)

IOSH Executive Director for Membership Division flew in for a two-day visit at the IOSH Singapore Branch. The main purpose of his visit was to touch base with the Branch's various stakeholders.

Barely touching down 2 hours in Singapore, James had his first meeting with **Institute of Occupational Medicine**.

Accompanied by IOSH Singapore Branch EXCO, the Branch also had the chance to introduce James to **Institute of Engineers Singapore, Singapore Institute of Safety Officers** and also **Building and Construction Authority**. Ideas and discussions of future development and collaborations were discussed during the meetings.

A dinner for planning was held at One15 Marina with the IOSH Singapore Branch EXCO where there were great discussions and planning ideas for future IOSH development and growth.

IOSH Singapore Branch looks forward to the implementation of these ideas to further enhance the IOSH footprint in Singapore and the region.

## Upcoming Events

# The Singapore WSH Conference— ‘Total WSH the Future of our Workplace’ 24–25 August 2016, Suntec Singapore, Level 3 Summit 2



## THE SINGAPORE WSH CONFERENCE 2016

The Singapore WSH Council, WSH Institute, and Ministry of Manpower, with IOSH as strategic partner, will be hosting the *Singapore WSH Conference 2016* at Suntec Singapore from 24–25 August 2016.

The theme of this year’s conference is ‘*Total WSH: the Future of Our Workplace*’. The event aims to explore the importance of adopting a holistic approach to managing safety and health risks in the workplace. Professionals working in all areas of HSE will

discuss how addressing health, along with safety, contributes to employee engagement, satisfaction and productivity as well as organisational sustenance and business success.

The symposia and plenary sessions taking place at the conference will cover a variety of topics, including the following:

- Changing trends in work and technology – what it means to you
- Emerging issues: Occupational diseases and WSH in Transportation
- Business Sustainability: WSH and Crisis Management
- Total WSH – your role in the team
- Innovative Approaches in WSH

Shelley Frost, Executive Director of Policy at IOSH, will be one of the expert speakers involved in the event.

### REGISTRATION FEE

**One-Day Conference Pass S\$680.00**

**Two Day Conference Pass S\$1,050.00**

*Group Discount Available.*

**Earn accreditation points (BOA-SIA, SNB, PEB, SISO) upon attendance of the two day conference.**

[Click here](#) for the latest programme and developments or [Register Now](#).

## The Forum on Workplace Safety + Health

‘Strategies and Solution Towards Vision Zero’ 26 August 2016, Suntec Singapore, Level 3 Summit 2

IOSH, in partnership with the Occupational and Environmental Health Society (OEHS), Singapore Institution of Safety Officers (SISO), and OSHA-Singapore, will be hosting the **2016 Forum on Workplace Safety and Health** at Suntec Singapore on 26 August 2016.

In conjunction with the Singapore WSH Conference and the 10<sup>th</sup> Occupational Safety + Health Exhibition for Asia (OS+H Asia 2016), this regional forum will gather WSH experts, professionals, specialist service providers and manufacturers to share strategic capabilities in workplace safety and health. The forum will have a panel of local and

international experts, including Shelley Frost, Executive Director of Policy at IOSH, Dr Karen McDonnell, IOSH President and Stephen Pollock—Project Safety Manager of MTR Corporation Limited HK.

This one-day Forum is an ideal platform for discussion of emerging issues in WSH, and sharing of competency requirements for WSH professionals.

The topics covered will include:

- WSH Management
- Design for Safety
- Total WSH—Connecting the Dots

### ACCREDITATION

7 PDU / SDU / STU Points (*all subject to confirmation*)

### REGISTRATION FEE

**Normal Fee S\$370.00**

**IES / IOSH / OEHS / SISO Members\* S\$250.00**

*\* With current paid-up subscription*

### Note:

1. Registration with payment to be received before 12 August 2016.
2. Registration fee includes lunch, 2 tea breaks and Certificate of Attendance.
3. Registration fee is inclusive of 7% GST.

[Click Here](#) for the registration form.  
[Click here](#) for website.

## Calendar of Events 2016 (Tentative)

2016	Exco Meetings	Members Forums	Events	Technical visits
Jul—Sep			<p>Date TBC Networking Night</p> <p>30 July 2016 Walk-A-Jog #3</p> <p>24—25 August 2016 The Singapore WSHC Conference – Venue: Suntec Singapore</p> <p>26 August 2016 The Forum on Workplace Safety + Health – Venue: Suntec Singapore</p> <p>September 2016 Family Day</p>	
Oct—Dec			<p>Date TBC Networks Conference</p> <p>Date TBC Annual BCA/IOSH Seminar</p>	<p>Date TBC KEPPEL (LP—Nov with Durians) – Venue: Tanah Sutera</p>

Lookout for dates on our 'FREE' Members Networking nights! Limited Spaces available for Technical Visits.  
From January 2015, non-members of IOSH will be charge nominal fees to attend IOSH Singapore Branch events.

### TECHNICAL VISITS – WHAT'S NEXT?

OPEN for IDEAS! If a technical visit can be arranged at your workplace where IOSH members can learn the organisation's Safety Management System on-site, this will be a valuable experience for all.

Please do share with us so that we can make the necessary arrangement, email

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### Health & Safety Reading Corner

- IOSH Magazine—Weekly e-alert. [Click here](#)
- WSH Institute—OW Links (A publication of Workplace Safety and Health Institute, Singapore). [Click here](#) for Issue 47 (June 2016)
- WSH Council—Bulletin. [Click here](#)

### CONTRIBUTE NEWS / ARTICLES

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