

International Labour Organisation CIS Report from Western Australia

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Information provision.

Information from the 2009 Compendium of Workers Compensation statistics on work related injuries, deaths and the cost of these was provided to the International Labour Organisation.

Western Australian OSH Conference. Challenges. Solutions. Sustainability.

This conference was held jointly with the Industrial Foundation for Accident Prevention (IFAP) and the Safety Institute of Australia, Western Australian Division at the Esplanade Hotel in Fremantle from 17th to 19th of August 2009. It was attended by 409 people. The following is a list of conference speakers and their presentation topics.

Presenter	Topic
Andrew Hopkins	Why BP failed to learn the lessons from elsewhere: The Texas City Refinery fire.
Kane Blackman	Identifying challenges & delivering solutions. A look at Magellan Metals.
Pam Pryor	OSH education in Australia 2009. Strengths, challenges & opportunities.
Julie Honore	2008/2009 HSE remuneration survey results. What you are worth in the market & how do you go about your job search.
Simon Ridge	An inspectorate fit for the 21 st century.
Maria Saraceni	Safety compliance – an end in it self?
Jim McLaughlan	Demonstrating ALARP for noise control.
Greg Smith	Towards best practice leadership. Legal compliance, influence & behaviour.
Andrew Robertson	Health response to recent disasters: Learmonth, Manjimup & beyond.
Greg Pobar	The interoperability of State, Industry & Emergency Service Providers.
Kenny Seow	Bridging the gap between emergency management & business continuity.
Philip Hine	Approved emergency responder scheme.
Nina Lyhne	Progress on Nationally consistent OSH Laws.
Rodney Powell	Behaviour based safety. Let the buyer beware.
Danny Spadaccini	Practical application of safety culture.
Nick Martins	Behaviour safety management – Fad, folly or fab?
Christian Sylvestre	What to do when incidents are not caused by OSH management system deficiencies.
Nicholas Ward	Building & using OSH data systems.
Janis Jansz	Can it ever be too early to introduce workplace wellness programs?
Jane Gaveski	Sustainable solutions to workplace illness & injury.
Sherrilyn Mills	Pre-claim prevention of long duration workers compensation claims.
Chris Walsh Mark Armstrong	Positive workplace cultural change achieved through employee health initiatives.
Don Gordon	The Power Tech wellness program. Caring for people.
Peter Roy	Workplace environmental quality: Another side to wellness & productivity.

South West Group

In conjunction with the Safety Institute of Australia, Western Australian Division group of safety professionals who work in the South-West of Western Australia have had twilight meetings for networking and educational opportunities. This group has been run under the leadership of Bernie Cameron. Educational Twilight Meetings that have been held in Bunbury have included the following.

Date	Name	Speakers	Attendance
11-3-09	Pre-employment medicals	Brian Galton-Fenzie	20
6-5-09	Emergency Management	Terry Jackson	13
15-7-09	Dealing with difficult people	Jason Fox	30

North West Group.

A group of Safety Professionals who work in the North-West of Western Australia have come together under the leadership of Colin Steer. Breakfast meetings are being planned by this group for networking and educational opportunities.

Perth Breakfast Meetings

In conjunction with the Western Australian Division of the Safety Institute of Australia the ILO – CIS Collaboration Centre has had monthly breakfast educational and networking meetings at Matilda Bay Restaurant that is located on the shore of the Swan River in Perth. Educational presentations at the Breakfast Meetings have included the following.

Date	Name	Speakers	Attendance
25-7-08	Too much safety	Jim Truscott	48
29-8-08	Critical incident management	Steve Stenvers	38
26-9-08	Sustainability	Kerrie Akkermans	27
31-10-08	Workplace safety management	Greg McCann	58
28-11-08	Pre-employment medicals	Brian Galton-Fenzi	83
27-2-09	Emergency management	Terry Jackson	50
6-3-09	Women in safety	Jillian Mercer	34
27-3-09	Positive indicators	Kevin York	39
24-4-09	Managing OS&H.	Ken Nolan	36
8-5-09	Safety legislation	Guy French	40
26-5-09	Corporate governance training	Mark Rudd	14
29-5-09	Workplace health	Berni Cameron	39
26-6-09	Medical emergencies	Adam Couper	32
31-7-09	School health issues	Paul Jacobs	20
28-08-09	Behavioural Based Safety	Marisa Strangio	62

Other Western Australian educational opportunities

Date	Event	Speakers	Attendance
19-2-09	OSH Law Day	Gerard Forlin David Skews Nicholas Ellery Duncan Fletcher Guy French Maria Saraceni Gregg McCann Heather Smith	60
27-29 July 2009	Safety Leadership Training	Alan Meagher	20
5-10-09	Scientific Colloquium.	David Skeggs Janis Jansz Jeff Spickett Sherrilyn Mills Yang Goh	46

Research

The following research projects have been completed in 2008-2009.

- Career Planning and Education for Safety Professionals.
- Occupational Safety & Health Knowledge Survey of Incoming University Students. (This research was conducted with South Australian and New South Wales SIA Division Members.)
- Attitude of Employers and Older Nurses to Prolonged Working Life in the Nursing Profession in Western Australia.

The following research projects are being conducted.

- Cover violence in nursing – A Western Australian experience.
- Occupational Respiratory Health Surveillance at Murin Murrin Mine Site.
- Investigating the excretion pattern of diesel exhaust metabolites in urine to quantify workplace diesel engine exhaust exposure.

- Prevention of Long Duration Workers' Compensation Claims – Pre-Claim Intervention and Strategy.
- International transportability of occupational safety & health credentials.
- Evaluating the effectiveness of traditional classroom 2D/3D multimedia and virtual reality delivery methods for gas pipeline safety training.

Peer Mentoring and Work Experience

In conjunction with Members of the Safety Institute of Australia, Western Australian Division, we are providing peer mentoring and work experience for university students that are studying to become occupational safety practitioners. In this partnership the learning is two ways. The students learn about what really happens in the workplace and are given practical work experience. The Safety Professionals who are providing the peer mentoring and/or the work experience are kept up to date with the latest developments in their profession through the learning activities and research work of these students.

Potential Publications

Stephen White is writing a book called "Personal Health" that provides information about 9 of the 10 dimensions of wellness.

Bruce Campbell is writing a book called "Employment Law in Western Australia" that includes all of the laws that occupational safety professionals in Western Australia need to be aware of as part of their daily work.

Both would like to find a publisher for their work. Does the International Labour Organisation have a publication facility for books related to employment?