

Addressing the workforce capability and capacity for occupational hygienists in New Zealand

SYMPOSIUM

To discuss how New Zealand has identified and developed solutions to address current workforce capability and capacity issues in occupational hygiene. This symposium will look at how gaps in the occupational hygiene workforce capability and capacity were identified nationally, and benchmarked against international models from similar sized countries. Arising from this, a clear indication was identified for a need to improve the training opportunities which resulted in the New Zealand Occupational Hygiene Society (NZOHS) setting up a project with the Health and Safety Association of New Zealand (HASANZ) to deliver training utilising the International Certificate in Occupational Hygiene (ICertOH) system with Government financial support. As part of the project a small working group was set up involving the NZOHS, HASANZ, Otago (NZ), Massey (NZ) and Edith Cowan (Australia) Universities to address tertiary education to Masters level. This has resulted in the triple badging of a degree that can be run in NZ without students leaving the country to train. This symposium will be of interest to those looking at benchmarking the profession to identify gaps in the market. It will also be of interest to those who are looking for education solutions without having to send students overseas.

Identifying the workforce capability and capacity of occupational hygienists in New Zealand

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SPEAKERS



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- Full Member of AIOH
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