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Happy New Year to all! Welcome to the January issue of the WSO NewsLetter. I hope you find the content informative and worthwhile.

As 2018 begins, we are reviewing our priorities, and I want to take this opportunity to remind you of a few of these. You have seen them before, but it pays to take a new look and reflect on how you can contribute to our continued success.

First and foremost is a reminder that our certifications are now accredited. This may be "old" news, but it is important to reiterate that it raises our organization to a new level of professionalism. If you need more information, please contact the World Management Center. We will be happy to supply the information you need.

We are excited about this year's symposium to be held in Charleston, West Virginia, in September. We encourage you to attend, as you will find the experience valuable. If you have information to share with your fellow safety experts, please be on the lookout for the Call for Speakers to be distributed. We are planning for a large attendance and are hoping to see you there!

We have a new membership campaign going on. Please watch your mailing for more details. Also, please continue to encourage your colleagues and associates to join the WSO. The staff at WMC will be happy to provide you with informational / promotional materials (PDFs) you can use.

As always, we encourage you to submit information to this newsletter that you think is of value to your fellow members. Everyone wants to hear about your successes, and this is your opportunity to be in the spotlight! [CHB]

WSO's Certification Program
is accredited in compliance with
ISO/IEC 17024:2012 by the

ICAC
international certification
accreditation council



2018 Membership Drive Underway



With our newly-accredited status, we are pushing to significantly increase our membership. We are asking that each of you, as a valued World Safety Organization member, assist in the process.

Please suggest to your colleagues and associates that they join WSO as a professional member and pursue WSO certification.

If each member were to add one new member over the next year it will help build our membership ranks and make the organization stronger.

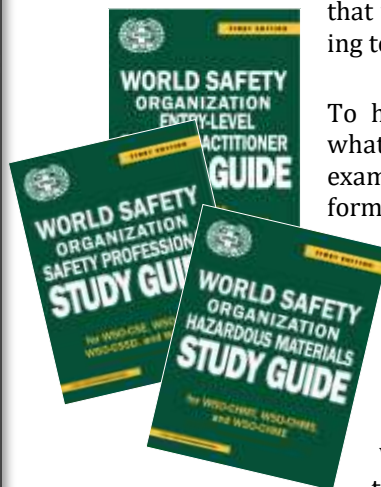
In addition to rewarding you with 50% off your next renewal* when one or more of your referrals obtain WSO membership**, we're also working out the details of a prize drawing for those who refer new members. Watch your inboxes ... more information is coming soon!

**Excludes Certification Fees. New member(s) must list your name as referring member to qualify. Limit one discount per calendar year.*

***Training Associate and Student Memberships excluded.*

WSO Certification Candidates Encouraged to Purchase Examination Study Guides

In response to requests from WSO members and inquiries made by potential WSO certification candidates, we have developed three study guides that will be of interest and benefit for those preparing to sit for a WSO certification examination.



To help familiarize a certification candidate with what they'll encounter during a WSO certification exam, these study guides are presented in the same format as the WSO exam content and come with an answer key at the back of the booklet. The study guides are currently available as PDF downloads.

If you are a current or potential WSO certification candidate and are interested in purchasing the appropriate study guide, please contact WSO-WMC at 1-660-747-3132, or send an email to certification@worldsafety.org.



NEWS FROM AROUND THE WORLD

WSO Instructor Holds Risk Assessment Training Workshop

Mr. Leo Dote, WSO-CSI (ML) and PHASE Adviser for Planning and Development, facilitated a training workshop entitled "Workplace Risk Assessment fundamentals" with the officers and members of the Philippine Association of Safety Engineers (PHASE) Qatar. The workshop was attended by around 30 members and officers. The lecture lasted for almost six hours at Governors Suites and Residences, Doha.

Covered in the session were topics about definition of common workplace terminologies, various hazard categories, addressable elements in health and safety, hazard identification techniques, the steps to risk assessment and the details of each step, and the use of risk assessment template and how to rate the risk and appropriate control measures to be used for each hazard with significant risk.

After the session, the participants urged to have another session in Managing Workplace Risk which is now being planned



by the leadership of PHASE-Qatar thru Engr. Jemar Latonio, PHASE President 2017, and Mr. Dote as Adviser and Instructor of Risk Assessment and Management.

The training workshop is one of the health and safety endeavors of Mr. Dote to individuals and organizations and propagating the World Safety Organization's advocacy and mission of **"Making Safety A Way of Life...Worldwide."** ■

Director of WSO National Office for India Wins Green Apple Award



C. Kannan (pictured right) receives the Green Apple Award from **Roger Wolens**, Managing Director of the Green Organization UK

THE GREEN ORGANISATION was established in 1994 as an international, independent, non-profit, non-political, non-activist environment group dedicated to recognizing, rewarding, and promoting environmental best practices around the world.

The Green Apple Awards campaign was one of the first to be accepted by Britain's RSA Environmental Awards Forum as

meeting the high standards and criteria to be approved as an automatic conduit into the Brussels-led European Business Awards for the Environment. It is still one of the few schemes that has this honor.

Mr. C. Kannan, Chief Safety Specialist and General Consultant for Mumbai Metro Rail Project Line 3 and Director of WSO's National Office for India, has won a Gold Trophy Green Apple

Award for the Built Environment & Architectural Heritage 2017 in the International Campaign to find the greenest companies, councils, and communities.

He competed against more than 500 other nominees in the Green Apple Awards, and he was presented with their trophy and certificate at the ceremony in the Houses of Parliament, London, in November 2017.

As a result of this Green Apple Awards success, he has been invited to have his winning paper published in The Green Book, the leading international work of reference on the Built Environment, so that others around the world can follow his example and learn from his achievement.

He could also progress to represent his country in the Green World Awards, and the European Business Awards for the Environment.

The Green Apple Awards are supported by the Environment Agency, the Chartered Institute of Environmental Health, the Chartered Institution for Wastes Management, and other independent bodies. ■

WSO Nigeria Garners Prestigious 9jaSAFE Awards

9jaSAFE Awards, which has been described by Health, Safety, and Environmental (HSE) professionals/ stakeholders as the most prestigious Safety Award in Nigeria, now in its third edition, is set up to be

Africa's independent awards safety event, recognizing the outstanding performances and initiatives of Companies, Organizations, Individuals, Groups, Schools, and Institutions towards promoting and raising Safety Consciousness.

Over 170 industry professionals attended the maiden edition of the Gala in 2015, and in 2016, nominations were received from 15

states across the nation with 345 nominees from different sectors of the economy with 220 in attendance at the Gala held at the banquet hall of the Lagos Oriental Hotel, Lekki Victoria Island, to network, celebrate success, and enjoy the high profile evening hosted by popular A-list Nigerian comedian Seyi Law.



Left to right: Seyi Law (Nigerian comedian), Ehi Iden (CEO Occupational Safety and Health Managers), Soji Olalokun (Director, WSO Nigeria), Engr. Jamiu Badmos (Exec. Director, Strategies Safety Advocacy & Empowerment Foundation), and Femi Abiodun (Acting Chairman ISPON Lagos Chapter)



Agharese L. Ojelede (Technical Director, WSO Nigeria)



Soji Olalokun (Director, WSO Nigeria)



Left to right: Soji Olalokun, Nwaelele Ugochukwu (CEO Clariontech Services Ltd.), Alfred Abolade Ajao (Managing Consultant, AB-Factor Global Concept Ltd.), Abayowa Emmanuel (Admin. Director, WSO Nigeria)

WSO UAE Chapter Holds Induction Ceremony

The WSO UAE Chapter held an induction ceremony for 65 members at the Royal Rose Hotel in Abu Dhabi, UAE, in November 2017. The event was well attended by both members and their spouses. The WSO UAE Chapter is currently experiencing a “growth spurt,” so we look forward to highlighting their 2018 activities in future issues of the WSO NewsLetter.



Coming Soon!

SYMPOSIUM THEME:

Fulfilling the Need for Qualified Safety & Health Professionals around the World

Plans are moving right along for the 2018 annual Symposium to be held September 17-19 at the beautiful Charleston Marriott Town Center in Charleston, West Virginia. The theme has been set, so watch your inboxes for more information to be distributed soon!

We anticipate interesting topics from a number of truly dynamic speakers, so mark your calendars for this important event ... we heartily encourage everyone to plan to attend! Pass the word along to other interested safety professionals ... let's work together to make this next Symposium a huge success!



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