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The Importance of Safety in ESG



35th International WSO Safety & Health Symposium

2-4 October 2023

MCM Eleganté

Odessa, Texas, USA

For more information visit www.worldsafety.org and select Symposium

Featured Speakers



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VP Automation
Product Line Manager



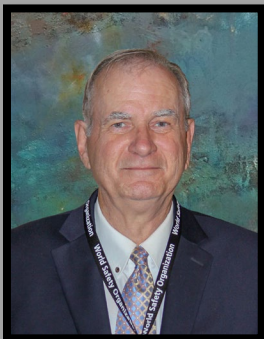
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(Wells Group)
HSE Consultant



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Bhavesh Ranka, P.E.
Operations Manager
Senior Well Control Engineer



from the desk of

DR. CHARLES H. BAKER



Chief Operations Officer

Welcome to the March 2023 World Safety Organization Newsletter!

In this issue of the newsletter, we concentrate on information for the October Symposium. This year we have decided to make a change of location. Our symposium will be held in the Midland/Odessa area of Texas. In this newsletter, we have enclosed the details for the location, venue, registration, and speaker admissions. We hope you take advantage of this information as well as the opportunity to see and be with your friends and colleagues once again.

World Safety has a few notable speakers already committed but we would also like to hear from you. This is an opportunity for you to present yourself and your work to our symposium attendees. This venue also provides an excellent opportunity to obtain feedback, gather new information, and have informative discussions.

We look forward to seeing you in Odessa. If you require more information on the symposium, please contact the WSO-WMC. We would like to provide whatever information you need to have a smooth registration and symposium experience.

As always be safe

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35th International WSO Safety & Health Symposium

October 2-4

Odessa, Texas, USA

The theme for this year's Symposium is *The Importance of Safety in ESG*

(The WSO website is currently being updated with the correct forms and information.)

SYMPOSIUM REGISTRATION

You may submit your registration online or contact the WSO-WMC at symposium@worldsafety.org for a fillable PDF.

VENUE

Hotel and venue accommodations provided by the MCM Elegante located at 5200 E. University Blvd., Odessa, Texas, USA.

For reservations, call 1-432-368-5885 and identify yourself as a WSO Symposium participant.

Reservations must be made by **August 28th**. Please note that the MCM Elegante requires first night room and tax deposit by a major credit card at the time the reservation is made. A major credit card or cash deposit will be required to guarantee incidental charges upon check-in. **Free shuttle service will be provided from Midland International Airport to the hotel.**

WSO AWARDS NOMINATIONS

If you are interested in nominating a colleague/associate, company, or organization for one of the WSO Awards, we are now accepting nominations. A complete list of the WSO Awards, as well as the Nominations Guidelines, are available online at www.worldsafety.org. Deadline for nominations is **June 1**.

SPEAKER ABSTRACT SUBMISSIONS

The 2023 Call for Speakers will be distributed in March. All abstracts submitted will be reviewed, and authors will be notified if the presentation has been accepted. Deadline for submission of abstracts is **May 15**.

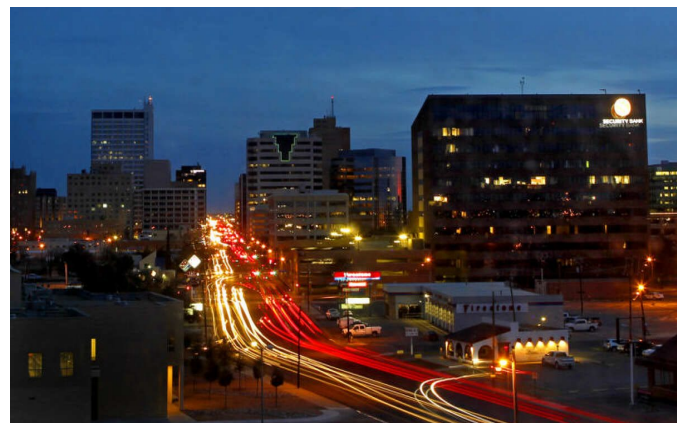
You may submit your abstract online, where you may also download a fillable PDF if preferred. Email to symposium@worldsafety.org.



INVITATION LETTER

For international participants needing an invitation letter for use in applying for a travel visa to the US, please send your request to symposium@worldsafety.org as soon as possible, allowing one to two business days for processing. NOTE: *International registrations will not be completed without a valid U.S. travel visa.*

Please feel free to contact us directly by phone or email if you need additional information or assistance at (660)747-3132 and symposium@worldsafety.org. All forms in the Newsletter are available online.



About Odessa, Texas

Downtown Odessa's rich history and heritage is accentuated by its enduring quality and vibrant workforce.

The Heart of the City

Downtown Odessa is home to the finest first-class medical facilities in the West Texas region. Medical Center Health Systems and Odessa Regional Medical Center flank the downtown district to the west and east, respectively, and are connected by the beautiful tree-lined 5th Street Corridor.

Located in downtown are City Hall, Ector County Courthouse, Ector County Library, Odessa Chamber of Commerce, Odessa Convention and Visitor's Bureau, Odessa Hispanic Chamber of Commerce and Odessa Council for Arts and Humanities, among many other nonprofit, businesses and medical facilities.

Noel Heritage Plaza, located in the heart of Downtown Odessa, hosts an assortment of events for residents and tourists alike, which include the annual Hot Summer Nights Concert Series, 4th of July street festival, art walks and food trucks.



Culinary Arts Epicenter

- Downtown Odessa is an epicenter for local culinary arts and cuisine.
- Across from City Hall, dine inside a restored bungalow to feast on a fusion of Hispanic and Asian cuisine at Chef Prado's, Rooster's Diner.
- If you're in the mood for an old-fashioned hamburger, visit a downtown institution - the Permian Basin Hamburger Company on Grant Avenue. The Hamburger Company's House Specialty is a local tradition - the Chili Cheeseburger.
- Dine inside the luxurious Odessa Marriott Hotel and Conference Center at their eatery, Barrel and Derrick to enjoy bold Texas cuisine in a sophisticated setting.
- If you're looking for a more laid-back atmosphere just walk across the street from the hotel and conference center, and you will find Torchy's Tacos. They mean business when it comes to serving tasty tacos.
- There's a lively assortment of culinary experiences for every taste bud in Downtown Odessa.

Unique Finds at Every Corner

Unique shopping experiences can be found at every corner in Downtown Odessa. The shops at Downtown Odessa are growing every day. You can find one-of-a-kind services from a custom-made tack and saddle shop to an infant and children's photography studio.

For more information on our host city, please visit their websites at www.odessa-tx.gov & www.downtownodessatx.com

Information on this page provided by Downtown Odessa

We look forward to seeing you in Odessa!

About Our Venue, the MCM Eleganté



The Elegance of a Four-Star Hotel Combined with Friendliness, Cleanliness, and Service

The MCM Eleganté Hotel is located in the Permian Basin of west Texas, situated on the southeast side of Odessa. Founded in 1881, Odessa is rich in history, oil and natural gas, Texas culture, the arts, and the dynamic Friday night lights of hometown football. The MCM Eleganté is famous for friendliness, cleanliness and impeccable service, matched only by our 13-inch Simmons Beautyrest Pillowtop mattresses. Our beds are famous for being the most comfortable on the planet.

CLEANLINESS, FRIENDLINESS & IMPECCABLE SERVICE

We are here to provide you a great hotel experience. Our staff is dedicated to our motto of "Friendliness, Cleanliness and Impeccable Service." Those are the foremost qualities you will find - along with the most comfortable beds on the planet.

BUSINESS CENTER

Located on the Lobby Level, our Business Center includes Internet, computer and printing of your documents. It's FREE to registered guests and available 24/7. Fax FREE at the front desk.

FITNESS CENTER

Our Fitness Center is open 24 hours/ 7 days a week featuring Free-Weights, Treadmills and more.

GETAWAY SPA & SALON

Treat yourself to a relaxing spa day during your Odessa visit! Located right here within the MCM Eleganté Hotel, Getaway Spa & Salon offers a full range of massage, facial and body treatments, as well as waxing, nail and hair services. The Getaway Salon & Spa is Open Tuesday - Saturday 7:30AM. - 8:00PM

SWIMMING POOL

Dive into our heated outdoor swimming pool, depending on the season, or relax in our outdoor hot tub. Open 08:00AM - 10:00PM.



All information provided by www.mcmeleganteodessa.com

Featured Speakers



John Folasakin is an astute and passionate Safety professional with almost 15yrs of Safety experience ranging from Construction, manufacturing to Oil and Gas. He has been privileged to work within and outside the USA with major Oil and gas production & servicing companies like Exxon Mobil, Halliburton and currently an HSE consultant for ConocoPhillips (Wells group). John holds a Bachelors degree in Environmental Biology from the University of Port harcourt in Nigeria with various relevant HSE certifications which includes The Associate Safety Professional certification from BCSP, NASP certifications etc.

His areas of Interests are Audits, Incident investigation, on-site coaching, consulting etc. John is married to Goodness Folasakin; a Compliance & Lean Coordinator and together they have 3 lovely kids. John's watchword is " Safety is only fully achievable when it involves everyone".



Bhavesh Ranka serves as the Operations Manager / Sr. Well Control Engineer at Cudd Well Control, elevating the company's presence in the domestic and global markets by ensuring continued world-class service in well control engineering, blowout intervention, and firefighting operations and recovery. With a Master of Science from Texas A&M University-Kingsville, Mr. Ranka brings more than 15 years of critical well control engineering experience to CWC, overseeing all of the company's field operations.

In addition, he has worked well control engineering projects in Australia, Cameroon, Canada, India, Nigeria, Saudi Arabia, Spain, and United Arab Emirates. He has frequently published articles in

many major energy publications and co-authored the book Blowout Prevention in 2009. He is often asked to give technical presentations at energy conferences worldwide.



Peter Westerkamp was born and raised in the Netherlands, graduated in 1989 with a BSc in Drilling & Production Technology. In 1989 moved to Houston Texas to start career in Artificial lift Automation and Optimization with Delta-X Corporation. During mid 90's worked 2 years for BP in Western Siberia as a contract production engineer. After several years with CAC Inc. as sales manager LATAM and Canada and a successful private venture in Florida, Peter rejoined Lufkin Automation in 2013. Peter actively supports the Southwest Petroleum Short Course and the Artificial Lift R&D Council. He has collaborated in several patents and participated as an industry speaker at SPE, ALRDC and the Southwest Petroleum Short Course events. Peter resides in Friendswood, TX and is the

proud dad of two sons, both graduates from the Texas A&M Maritime Academy in Galveston.

SYMPOSIUM INDIVIDUAL REGISTRATION FORM

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MCM Eleganté

5200 E University Blvd. \ Odessa, Texas, USA

Registration Procedure

- Please complete the registrant information of this form.
- Check your registration fee(s) and enclose payment with the registration form.
- Send the completed registration form and payment on or before September 1.
- Confirmation will be sent to you upon receipt of your registration and payment.
- Online registration is also available:

Accommodations/Hotel Reservations

- MCM Eleganté has blocked rooms for WSO Symposium participants at the discounted rate of \$ 99 per night (price does not include applicable state & local taxes)
- Please contact the hotel directly by phone at 1-866-368-5885, no later than August 28 to make your reservation.

Cancellation Policy

- Should you need to cancel your reservation after payment has been made, refund will be less an administration fee of \$50 (USD) valid until July 1, 2023.*
- 50% will be refunded for cancellation until August 1.*
- There will be no cancellation or refund allowed after September 1. A substitute may be designated at any time.*

*) The only exception is a cancellation by WSO.

Dietary Restrictions

CATEGORY	Payment before August 1	Payment after August 1
Attendee: WSO Member	\$365.00 (US)	\$500.00 (US)
Attendee: Non Member	\$395.00 (US)	\$525.00 (US)
Speaker (attending)	\$345.00 (US)	\$475.00 (US)
Military and First Responders	\$345.00 (US)	\$475.00 (US)
Student	\$225.00 (US)	\$255.00 (US)

Other Fees:

Spouse/Guest Awards Banquet (per additional person)	\$60.00 (USD)	Additional #:
CEUs to be issued through the University of Central Missouri	\$25.00 (US)	For USA Only

- WSO Corporate Members may avail the following bulk discounts:
 - ◊ 5% over-all on registration fee for (5) attendees
 - ◊ 10% over-all on registration fee for (10) attendees
 - ◊ 20% over-all on registration fee for (20) attendees
 - Registration fee includes
 - ◊ Symposium materials
 - ◊ Daily snacks (breakfast, lunch, and dinner not included)
 - ◊ WSO Awards Banquet
- Full payment is required to complete registration*

Registrant Information: Please type or print

NAME (First, Middle, Last):			[] Mr. [] Mrs. [] Ms. [] Dr. [] Engr. [] Other	
AFFILIATION/COMPANY:				
POSITION/JOB TITLE:	EMAIL ADDRESS:			
ADDRESS (Line 1):			[] Home [] Work	
ADDRESS (Line 2, if needed):				
CITY:	STATE/PROVINCE:	POSTAL/ZIP CODE:	COUNTRY:	
BUSINESS PHONE:	FAX NO.:	MOBILE PHONE:		

TOTAL AMOUNT DUE: \$

Please indicate payment method: [] Credit Card [] Check/Money Order [] Western Union

Payment Methods

For secure credit card payment, please visit the SHOP on WSO's website <https://worldsafety.org/shop> and select Symposium Registration to make your payment. WSO accepts Visa, MasterCard, American Express, and Discover. Check or money order made payable to WSO and mailed to WSO-WMC, Attn: Symposium Coordinator, 106 W Young Ave Ste F, Warrensburg, Mo 64093 USA. International postal money orders, bank drafts with a US routing number, or Western Union transfers made payable to Wanda Turner are acceptable for participants outside the United States.

Return this completed form with payment to WSO World Management Center,

Attn: Symposium Coordinator, 106 W. Young Ave Ste F, Warrensburg, MO 64093 USA | symposium@worldsafety.org

Interested in Participating as a Speaker/Presenter?

Using the form in this brochure or downloaded from the WSO website, please submit an outline/abstract of your presentation. All abstracts submitted will be reviewed, and authors will be notified if the presentation has been accepted. Deadline for abstract submission is 15 May. Upon notification of acceptance, the completed presentation must be submitted prior to 15 July for publication in the *Symposium Schedule & Proceedings*.

You may also submit your outline/abstract online at www.worldsafety.org

DISCLAIMER: The WSO does not pay speaker fees or facilitate the travel and other subsistence arrangements for any speaker of the symposium. All arrangements related to travel, visas, accommodations, and daily subsistence are the exclusive responsibility of the speaker. Speaker pays discounted registration fee if attending the symposium.

Papers & Presentations

- ◆ All papers shall be written in concise English and typed with a minimum font size of 11 point. Papers should have an abstract of not more than 200 words. On a separate page, or in a separate file, the author should supply the author's name, contact details, professional qualifications, WSO qualifications (when applicable), current employment position, and a brief bio. A current high resolution photo in JPG or PNG format must also be submitted.
- ◆ Writers should include all references and acknowledgements. Authors are responsible for ensuring that their works do not infringe on any copyright. Failure to do so can result in the writer being accountable for breach of copyright. The accuracy of the references is the author's responsibility.

- ◆ Papers should be referenced according to the [Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association 2017](#).

Books are referenced as follows:

- ◆ Author. (year of publication). *Title of publication*. Place of publication. Publisher.

Articles are referenced as follows:

- ◆ Author (year). Title of article. *Name of Journal. Volume (issue)*, page numbers of article.

Internet information is referenced as follows:

- ◆ Name of author. (year of publication) Name of Article [online], available [http://](http://www.) www. and the rest of the internet path address.

⇒ Please submit text composed in Microsoft Word, via email attachment or copied to a USB drive and mailed to us. Presentations may be submitted in MS PowerPoint format; however, and abstract must accompany.

⇒ Illustrations, tables, and graphs may be included. Color photos are acceptable. All illustrations, tables, graphs, and photos must be labeled.

⇒ Statistical data should be expressed in SIUs (Standard International Units), as far as is practicable. If desired, editing is available at the WSO WMC for contributors whose first language is not English.

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Schedule of Dates for Speaker/Presenter Documentation

15 May • Completed "Paper Outline/Abstract" with indication of length of the presentation/workshop (30 or 60 minutes).

31 May • Resume/Bio, 100-150 words

• Abstract, 150-200 words

• Photo in JPG or PNG format

1 June • INTERNATIONAL SPEAKERS MUST HAVE VALID TRAVEL VISA BY

THIS DATE TO PARTICIPATE. Request your invitation letter in ample time to schedule your interview.

15 July • Paper for publication in the *Symposium Schedule & Proceedings*; speaker's photo and an updated bio.

1 August • Conference registration form and payment of fees must be received to confirm participation in the symposium program. Some employer-paid exemptions may apply. Please notify the symposium coordinator if your employer's funding policy does not allow payment on or before the August 1st deadline.



SYMPOSIUM PAPER OUTLINE/ABSTRACT FORM

WSO International Safety & Health Symposium

Speaker Information | Please print or type

FULL NAME & TITLE
EMAIL ADDRESS
PHONE NUMBER/ ALTERNATE PHONE NUMBER
FULL ADDRESS
COMPANY/ AFFILIATION & JOB TITLE

Paper Information | Please print, type or attach separately

PAPER/PRESENTATION TITLE
AUTHOR(S)
BRIEF OUTLINE: 150-200 WORDS (or you may enclose an Abstract)
BIO: 100-150 WORDS
LENGTH OF PRESENTATION: [] 30-Minute Session [] 60-Minute Session

The Symposium program will be formatted based on the information received from you in the "Paper Outline/Abstract." If the length of the presentation would be in conflict with the program scheduling, you will be contacted regarding any changes.

I plan to attend the full conference [] YES [] NO, I will attend only: _____ Monday _____ Tuesday _____ Wednesday

I will be accompanied by a spouse or guest: [] YES [] NO Name(s): _____

Audio Visual Equipment * will be furnished by the Venue

*Please note: Any additional audio visual equipment which may be required, must be furnished by the speaker.

WE NEED YOU

Do you blog?

Do you write articles for your company's newsletter?

Do you have relevant information to share?

Did your company or agency sponsor a special safety-focused event?

Does your company or agency have an upcoming safety-focused event you wish to promote?

If so, we would love to feature your content in a future WSO NewsLetter or TechLetter!

*Just email your article/blog, author(s) byline, brief bio, and photo to us:
editorialstaff@worldsafety.org*



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