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WSO 34th Annual Symposium September 27-29 Las Vegas, Nevada

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In Making Safety a Way of Life...Worldwide

The goals of the annual WSO Symposium always include broadening collaboration among the various sectors of the safety field, building professional skills and knowledge, strengthening professionalism within the membership, broadening networking opportunities, and raising awareness of the value and impact of "Making Safety a Way of Life...Worldwide."

You'll connect with leaders, experts, elected officials, and changemakers of today and tomorrow, who are all committed to promoting the continuous advancement of safety and accident prevention technology and striving for a universal level of professionalism and competence among its members and all professionals and practitioners in the multi-discipline of occupational and environmental safety, health and accident prevention.

WSO Symposiums are known for a unique, friendly atmosphere, providing an opportunity for corporate managers and executives, SH&E professionals, advocates of safety and accident prevention, leaders of safety organizations, and WSO members from around the world to network and connect, exchange information, learn about new programs, and gain professional knowledge at a variety of breakout sessions. The WSO Symposium is always the gathering of friends and colleagues, a place to improve performance, and meet new people in the safety field.

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from the desk of **DR. CHARLES H. BAKER**

Chief Operations Officer



Welcome to the May Newsletter from World Safety Organization. This issue is devoted mainly to the planned World Safety Symposium to be held September 27-29, 2021, in Las Vegas, Nevada. As you can imagine a lot of thought went into deciding to do an on-site

conference versus a virtual conference or even canceling in total. The feeling was that the worldwide virus is coming under control and, even though, there may be troublesome pockets of virus, for the most part it will be under control. International travel is beginning to open and will probably be readily available for that time. We will continue to monitor the situation and if changes are necessary, we will make those decisions with the most current information. To make this symposium successful we need everyone's input and support. We are hoping for very good attendance and will help anyone who needs our paperwork assistance to attend. This is a good time to see everyone now that the virus is more stable. Most of us have not seen our friends and colleagues for over a year. We look forward to everyone's attendance. I would also point out that we have a "Call For Speakers" for abstracts to be presented at the symposium. This is an opportunity to present data and information that may be of interest to other attendees. You can see the Call For Speakers information in this newsletter. Thank you for your support and please let us know if you have questions or need further information. See you in Vegas!!!!!!! CHB



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 safetyfocused 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!

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WSO Global Safety Roundtable

What better way to round off Opening Day than to hear powerful stories from your colleagues about their own expeditions at work and in life that have led them or those around them to better health and wellness...where ideas are shared, assumptions are tested, and participants are asked to view a perspective through a different lens.

Suggestions, comments, resolutions, etc., of the Roundtable discussion are formatted for submission to governmental legislation and Missions of the United Nations (UN), International Labor Organization (ILO), World Health Organization (WHO), and similar rule-making groups on the local, national and international levels.

Symposium Format

The Symposium provides a unique opportunity for corporate managers and executives, safety, health & environmental professionals, advocates of safety and accident prevention, leaders of safety organizations and WSO members from around the world where the WSO is represented through the WSO International/ National Offices, WSO Chapters, and individual members. Participation in the Symposium provides a forum for information exchange, networking, professional contact with other members, safety professionals, but most of all, learning about new programs and professional knowledge at sessions, panels and workshops presented during the Symposium.

As a part of the program, Symposium participants are invited to take part in the "WSO Global Safety Roundtable" discussion where the suggestions, comments, resolutions, etc., will be formatted for submission to governmental legislation and Missions of the United Nations (UN), International Labor Organization (ILO), World Health Organization (WHO), and similar rule-making groups on the local, national and international levels.

Symposium Topics

Symposium topics generally include, but are not limited to occupational safety and health, environmental safety and health, ergonomics, systems safety management, security, industrial hygiene, hazardous materials management, transportation safety, construction safety, off-the-job safety, recreational safety, safety of the workplace, disaster preparedness, and legislative topics on the national and global scale. CEU's (USA only) will be awarded through the University of Central Missouri in Warrensburg, Missouri, USA (\$20 fee).

International Participants

The Symposiums of the World Safety Organization are always international in scope. WSO members from Europe, Asia, Australia, Africa, and the Americas are frequent participants at the WSO Symposiums and Congresses.



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Legislative Representation

Representatives from state and federal agencies are invited to provide updates on the newest laws and regulations relevant to the safety industry.

Symposium Venue

Located just minutes away from all the excitement of the glittering Las Vegas Strip and Las Vegas Convention Center, Tuscany Las Vegas provides a relaxing getaway perfect for business travelers, a long weekend with friends or your next family vacation.

Inspired by the Tuscany region of Northern Italy, the all-suite hotel boasts a warm and welcoming atmosphere surrounded by lush gardens, some of the largest standard hotel suites in the city, and thoughtful amenities to ensure the most comfortable stay possible. Tuscany Suites & Casino will truly be your Las Vegas home away from home.

The Tuscany has blocked rooms for WSO Symposium participants. Please contact the Tuscany directly by telephone at **1-877-887-2261** *no later than August 31, 2021*, to make your reservation. You may also book online. The direct link is found on our website under Symposium and 2021 Hotel Reservations.



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WSO Awards Banquet

The WSO Awards Banquet is scheduled on Monday evening, September 27, to honor the individuals, corporations, organizations, and other groups for their concerns in the protection of people, property, resources, and the environment. The banquet is always a highlight of the Symposium, so we hope you will make plans to attend.

Award winners will be recognized, as well as other special honorees including distinguished guests, board members, and committee members. The banquet is included in the registration fee for Symposium attendees, and you may purchase tickets for your guests for \$55 each. A list of all WSO Awards, along with the requirements for each, may be found online, or you may request a copy of the Guidelines by contacting the WSO World Management Center by phone or email: +1-660-747-3132, symposium@worldsafety.org. Deadline for nominations is **June 1**.

Register Today!

•To pay by credit card, you may register online ,or call the WSO-WMC to make a payment over the phone.

•To pay with check, bank draft, or money order, please download the registration form and mail with payment.

•To pay through Western Union, please download the Registration Form from our website and email to symposium@worldsafety.org with the MCTN from your Western Union receipt. NOTE: Western Union transactions must be payable to World Safety Organization, Attn: Stephanie Jewell, 106 W. Young Ave, Warrensburg MO 64093 USA.

Please contact WSO-WMC if you need additional information or assistance.

WSO Award Nomination Guidelines

Do you know an individual, company, corporation, or organization that has had some amazing accomplishments or made outstanding strides in the Safety Field? If so, why not nominate them for one of the WSO awards? Below is an exhaustive list, with the requirements, of all the WSO Awards. The winners will be presented their awards at the WSO Awards Banquet, which is held on Monday evening of the Annual Symposium. If you have any questions concerning these WSO Awards, please contact our office.

NOTE: Self-nominations will not be considered. All awards and requirements are listed on our website.



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Nomination Procedures:

The awards cycle is from 1 January to 31 December each year. Nominations for a given year are accepted in the WSO by May 15th, following the end of the award cycle. In order to keep things as simple as possible, a single award nomination process is used for all awards. Please read the instructions carefully, and you will find that all the potential situations are covered. A letter format will be accepted if all the information is provided in the proper order. It is difficult to provide too much justification for your nomination. The most frequent problem is having insufficient information to judge the validity of the nomination.

The submission must contain the following information in the order shown below:

- 1. Name of the award for which the nomination is being submitted.
- 2. Name of the individual, group, committee, organization, or firm being nominated.

a. If nominating an individual: provide the name, home address, and phone number of the individual, as well as the employer's work address, phone, and email address.

b. If nominating a group or committee: provide the name of the group or committee and the organization with which it is affiliated, as well as the name, address, telephone number, and email address of the chairperson.

c. If nominating an organization or firm: provide the name, address, and telephone of the firm, as well as the name, address, phone number, and email address (if applicable) of the chief executive officer, president, or owner.

3. Provide the name, address, telephone, and email address of the person making the nomination.

4. If the nominee is an individual, name the employer and provide a brief description of the nominee's current position. If the nominee is a group, provide a description of the purpose of the group and the primary organization it supports (100-150 words).

5. Provide a description of the key outstanding accomplishments of the nominee. It must be clear exactly how the nominee meets the criteria for the award-nominated.

a. For individuals: provide a summary of the nominee's educational and WSO-related professional accomplishments. Enumerate the nominee's contributions to the WSO Organization, safety profession, and his/her employer and community.

b. For groups, committees, organizations, or firms: provide a summary of the nominee's contribution(s) to the advancement of the WSO.

6. Provide the name, address, phone number, and email address (if applicable) of three references that can provide comments concerning the nominee's performance. At least one reference must be a WSO organization member. Persons listed as references cannot be related to or employed by the nominee.

7. Provide appropriate supporting documentation to support the nomination. If the nomination is based on published works, provide copies of the document(s).

Submit all nominations by June 1 to: **WSO World Management Center** *WSO Awards Committee* 106 W Young St #F Warrensburg, Missouri 64093 USA symposium@worldsafety.org



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2021 Call for Speakers/Presenters

Symposium topics will include, but will not be limited to, Occupational Safety and Health, Environmental Safety and Health, Ergonomics, Systems Safety Management, Security, Industrial Hygiene, Hazardous Materials Management, Transportation Safety, Construction Safety, Off-the-Job Safety, Recreational Safety, Safety of the Workplace, Disaster Preparedness, and Legislative Topics on the National and Global Scene.

PLEASE NOTE: 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. WSO does, however, offer a discounted registration fee for speakers who wish to attend the entire Symposium.

All information regarding Speaker/ Presenter requirements and documentation can be found on our website under 2021 Symposium Brochure.

See you in Las Vegas September 27-29!



WSO Offers a Professional Membership Level

Being acknowledged as a Professional Member of a safety organization based upon one's education, years of knowledge, and experience in the Safety field is a goal for many to achieve. Not everyone has the college or university degree that is sometimes required to compete for an advanced level Occupational Safety Certification. Not everyone enjoys the Classroom environment of classroom training and potentially taking the computer-type exam, which does not always show one's true abilities in safety management and/or practice. There are many Safety Directors, Safety Coordinators, and Safety Specialists in the safety arena who have many years of experience but lack the mathematical expertise to pass a specific safety certification exam. However, by a submission of one's work/career credentials, résumé, professional references, safety seminar certificates, safety education, and

several testimonies from peers showing his/ her elite level, safety practitioners and professionals can become a WSO Professional Member upon verification and approval. This membership level gives one a great opportunity to continue to gain knowledge as a member of the WSO, network with and learn from other members, and attend our annual Symposium featuring world-class safety professionals from around the world presenting various types of safety modules. The minimum requirements can be found on Page 6 or in the WSO Membership and Certification Program booklet. To request a WSO Membership and Certification Program booklet or for more information to apply for or upgrade to the WSO Professional membership, please contact the WSO WMC by telephone or email, or submit the ONLINE REQUEST, and we will email the information to you.





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