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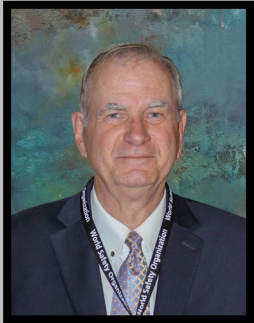
Being acknowledged as a Professional Member of a safety organization based upon one's education, years of knowledge, and experience in the Safety field is a goal for many to achieve. Not everyone has the college or university degree that is sometimes required to compete for an advanced level Occupational 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.

from the desk of

DR. CHARLES H. BAKER

Chief Operations Officer



Happy Holiday's!!!!!! I hope everyone is having a safe and enjoyable Holiday. I think we all need a little break after the virus and many other negative things this year. We will look forward to a more positive 2021.

I also want to apologize about the lack of newsletter for the past couple of months. I know these are informative and our members use the newsletter to get the latest information on safety events. There is never a good excuse for this type of delay or omission, but I think everyone can understand given personnel changes and the virus, we experience problems with these kinds of things.

I am happy to report that in the last month we went through our mid-term review of World Safety operations. These reviews are full blown every 5 years and reviewed every 2.5 years. World Safety passed the review with only a few suggested corrective actions. This is always good news and World Safety is in good standing on its accreditation for the next 2.5 years.

With the New Year, we are again setting goals and objectives that will grow the organization and provide even better member services. We always encourage each of our present members to talk to their friends and associates, encouraging them to join and become certified in World Safety Organization. Ask them to join today.

Happy Holiday's

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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?

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2020 WSO AWARD WINNERS

Honoring Outstanding Safety Professionals Worldwide

EOSH PERSON OF THE YEAR
STEVEN GUILLORY

**DONALD RHODES HONORABLE
MENTION AWARD**
JAYANDRAN MOHAN

**CHAPETER/ NATIONAL OFFICE OF THE
YEAR**
WSO KSA

**JOHN AGRILLA HONORABLE
MENTION AWARD**
ORLANDO C. PERNITES

JAMES K. WILLIAMS AWARD
SOEHATMAN RAMLI

CONCERNED CITIZEN AWARD
TOMMY SAUVE
ORITSETSOLA MAXWELL MEGBELE

GLENN E. HUDSON AWARD
PROF. PETER LEGGAT

**CONCERNED PROFESSIONAL
AWARD**
DR. IR. ISRADI ZAINAL
DR. ABDULAZIZ AL SAEY

**J. PETER CUNLIFFE
TRANSPORTATION AWARD**
DR. ELIAS CHOUEIRI

CONCERNED COMPANY/ CORPORATION AWARD
BRIDGEMANS SERVICE GROUP LP
CHENNAI METRO RAIL LIMITED
PT PERTAMINA GAS
SHAPOORJI PALLONJI QATAR WLL
ZACHRY CONSTRUCTION CORPORATION

CONCERNED ORGANIZATION AWARD
SOCIETY OF FIRE PROTECTION ENGRS QATAR CHPTR

EDUCATIONAL AWARD
MICHAEL C. MCLAUCHLAN
PERTAMINA HSE TRAINING CENTER

SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT AWARD
DR. JANIS JANSZ

**CONGRATULATIONS
TO ALL OUR
2020
AWARD WINNERS**

Conclusion of WSO Nigeria National Conference and Awards

Reports on the recently concluded WSO Nigeria National Conference and Awards (Nat Conf & Awards 2020) Which took place between the 22nd - 24th of September 2020 organized by the World Safety Organization (WSO) Nigeria in partnership with IIRSM (International Institute for Risk and Safety Management)
WEBINAR SESSION



Mr. Soji Olalokun

The WSO Nigeria National Conference and Awards on approval by her Parent body (WSO International) in 2018, has always been an annual event anchored by a team of committee members since inception under the visionary Leadership of the WSO Nigeria President, Mr. Soji Olalokun WSO-CSI, FECMRI. This year's event which happen to be the third of its kind took place online due to the Covid-19 Pandemics regulation precaution of social distancing. This year's conference, which happen to be the third (3rd) edition in Nigeria was organized in partnership with the

Institute for Risk and Safety Management (IIRSM) and took place virtually through the medium of a conference lobby (for a clearer view visit www.worldsafety.org.ng/lobby). Registered participants were given passwords to log in to participate online after their registration were duly confirmed.

The Conference Lobby was divided into six (6) sections namely,

- **The Registration Desk** (a login access for participants to confirm their registration status and eligibility to participate in the conference)
- **The Committee lobby** (an online lounge for the committee members to meet and deliberate prior and in-between sessions during the virtual event)
- **A Plenary session** that kick starts the presentation for the day with speakers who gives charge to professionals on the way forward in the HSE profession.
- **The Regular sessions** that outlines the schedule and list of facilitators with the relevant topics and profiles
- **The SafERR Ambassador** session that showcases both the new and returning Ambassadors that chose to become advocates and touch bearers of making Safety a way of Life, through the promotion of Health & Safety, while savings lives.
- **Q & A** session where participants are allowed to drop their relevant questions and where they could receive answers to the questions asked.



PROGRAM OF EVENTS

Day 1 (22nd September 2020) The SafERR Ambassadors

A total number of Seventy (70) Safety heroes which comprises of both new and returning ones emerged as SafERR Ambassadors for the year 2020. The event started with the investiture of over SafERR (Safety and Emergency Respond Ready) Ambassadors. These Ambassadors are charged with the responsibility of promoting health & safety everywhere.

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According to the Director, Mr. Soji Olalokun WSO-CSI, FECMRI, the SafERR program of the World Safety Organization in Nigeria is developed to pass on Safety and Emergency Response Readiness skills and knowledge to one in every three Nigerian by 2025. For many, it is their first contact with the World Safety Organization (WSO). The belief is that when the right discipline and training is instilled in a child/individual, he/she will ultimately imbibe positive values at heart, showing care and compassion for humanity and have the early bird opportunity to pursue a career in the Safety profession (as a Public Health & Safety Educator, Public Health Specialist, Safety Specialist, Environmental Specialist to mention a few), thus contributing to the economy and making the nation and the world at large a better place for us all to live in.

The SafERR Ambassador Directorate was also inaugurated during the event.

Officers are:

1. Amb. Dr. Wilson Arikpo (Governor General)
2. Amb. Monica Nwosu (Deputy Governor General)
3. Amb. Cynthia Amaka Obiorah PhD. (Executive Member: Secretary)
4. Amb. Julius Akpong (Executive Member: Program Coordinator)
5. Amb. Hassan B. Hassan (Executive Member: Special Duties)



Mr. Ehi Iden

Plenary Session The Plenary session of Day 1 was anchored by Mr. Ehi Iden. He is the Chief Executive Officer at Occupational Health and Safety Managers and the convener and President, OSHAfrica. Mr. Iden spoke extensively on Developing Local OSH Competencies towards Safe Workplaces. According to him, many safety professionals in Nigeria acknowledge the absence of requisite infrastructure, lack of funds, poor public support structure, lack of enabling environment and generally poor attitude of the populace to occupational safety and health as leading reasons for inadequate advocacy in the country. All these excuses, however, have not been able to mitigate the

rise in workplace accidents as wanton workplace cultures have continued to mutilate workers, as no commensurate advocacy has provided proportionate confrontation to the myriad of ethical and cultural hazards that have taken fanciful turns to taint our golden existence with blood. His Plenary session was a clarion call on the generality of safety professionals to create a deliberate disconnect between their self-imagined obstacles and become deliberate about the solution to issues of occupational safety and health practice in the country.

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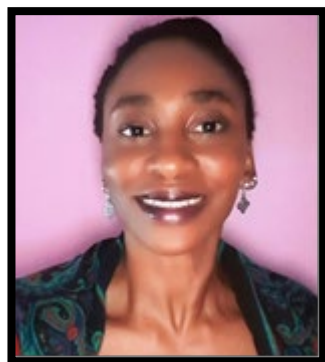
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Regular Session Day 1:

Day 1 of the event was kick started by the WSO Director for Pakistan and WSO Board Member, Mr. Tayyeb Shah on the topic Occupational Stress Management. In his presentation he narrated that People at work suffer from many things; like, job competition, terrorism, rationalization of the organization's operations, risk of redundancy, new technology, and outsourcing of jobs, increased demands by employers for higher production and to meet sales targets. According to HSE (Health and Safety Executive), workplace stress is now the fastest growing cause of absence from work. In order to manage workplace stress, a comprehensive occupational stress management strategy needs to be presented, to demonstrate how the best practices needs to be applied.



Mr. Tayyeb Shah



Amb. Chikaodili Juliet Hemeson

Amb. Chikaodili Juliet Hemeson , the Managing Director of Henzof Nigeria Limited, a quality expert in OSH business and policy development also spoke on Day 1 of the event in a wonderful presentation she titled Local Content Development in the Health and Safety Sector in Nigeria. A review of the factors that are required to develop the Nigerian local contents in Health and Safety, their impact, and how we can improve upon them for sector relevance and profitability was investigated. According to her, competence in safety is a lot more about hands-on practical training rather than just the mindset of theoretical piling up certificates and not being able to apply skill to work. The recent event of the coronavirus worldwide has led to both governments and the industrial sector to re-evaluate their management and strategic planning of health and safety of workers and Nigeria should not be left out.

The last speaker for Day 1 was Amb. Dare Akinfosile, an Emergency Response Specialist and OSH Practitioner with years of experience in Emergency Response in Nigeria. In his presentation, he narrated that the need for a continued Emergency Response in Nigeria in the current pandemic cannot be overemphasized as accidents have not stopped happening because of the pandemic, and the need for quality First Aid training has become more important at this time due to the burden of the pandemic on the healthcare sector and our emergency response services. He also added that First aid administrators in Nigeria need to broaden their scope on handling pandemic related emergency cases.



Amb. Akinfosile D.J.

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Day 2: 24th September 2020

Day 2 of events was kicked-off with a Plenary session by Amb. Dr. Wilson Arikpo (MTM Shipping, MBA, AMIMarEST, MISPN, FIMC, FCIS, FSCA, FGMS, PFECRMI, PhD), a licensed Safety Professional; a SafERR Ambassador; Marine Engineer; and Member Institute of Safety Professionals of Nigeria (ISPON) who presented on the topic: Awakening a National Emergency Response and Disaster Management Preparedness Consciousness. According to him, as a people, how we prepare for emergencies makes it easy or difficult when such happens. Just like accidents nobody prepares to have or be involved in accidents, yet we study to know how they could be avoided. He narrated that it is important to continuously look at the need imbibe a National Emergency Response and Disaster Management Preparedness Consciousness in Nigeria, so that the citizenry should know what to do in the event of any disaster. Emphasis should be on when and how to take the required action because our focus must be on preparedness consciousness.



Amb. Dr. Wilson Arikpo

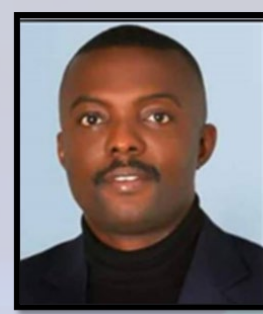
Speakers for Regular Sessions for Day 2 Include:



Amb. Adebisi Adewale
Workplace Emergency
Planning and Preparedness



Amb. Itohan Egbedion
Low-Carbon Economy Transition:
Solution to Combating Climate
Change in Africa



Amb. Udoka Victor
Food Safety
A Tool for Refueling
HSE Practice in Africa



Isangadighi Gospel Effiong
and Udeh Jessica Augustine
Emergencies, Preparedness
and Management:
Concepts and Nigerian Experiences

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Day 3: 24th September 2020

Day 3 of events, which also happen to be the last day of the conference, was kick started by Amb. Engr. Jamiu Badmos who was the Plenary Speaker. A versatile analytical and passionate QHSSE Professional, Business sustainability Executive an international Vision-zero Trainer with over 19years practical hands-on approach and strong coaching skills. On his topic, Safety Metrics: an expose on Safety Performance strategies for OSH Personnel. Amb. Badmos narrated that for accountability, increased focus, clarity, better decisions, reduced waste, faster growth and higher returns, there is the need for OSH performance. According to him, the way to measure OSH performance is by the availability of data, as data elevates the probability that right decisions would be made. Without data, all anyone has, is mere opinion. Increasingly, more and more organizations are digging into their data to uncover new insights and make better-informed decisions. He added that OSH professionals must make SMART objectives and selecting Safety metrics must be Actionable (Metrics that have measurable steps); Achievable (setting goals that are obtainable); Meaningful (Obtaining information that justifies continuous tracking); Transparent (Metrics that are clearly understandable); Valid (Metrics that are relevant and beneficial to the organizations objectives); metrical information that are timely and easy to communicate.



**Amb. Engr.
Jamiu Badmos**

Speakers for Regular session for Day 3 Include:



Amb. Julius A. Akpong
Disintermediation as a
Tool for Safety Culture
Advocacy in Nigeria



Engr. O.J. Oyeboade
Enforcement and Implementation
of Safety Measures through
Engineering Designs and Controls



Mike Egbayelo,
MBA, FCIS, JP
Safety of Lives at Sea;
Nigeria's Maritime
Imperative



Yetunde Adeola
Optimize Safety and
Health for Economic Growth

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Speakers for Regular session for Day 3 (cont.) :

As a way of capping up the event, WSO Nigeria in collaboration with the Nigerian Chapter of the International Institute of Risk and Safety Management (IIRSM), embarked on a roundtable session on HSSE. This was anchored by the IIRSM Chairman for Nigeria Dr. Eugene Itua. Dr. Eugene Itua has a Doctorate Degree in Environmental Management.

Dr. Eugene Itua is also:



Dr. Eugene Itua
Anchor

- CEO of Natural Eco Capital
- Thematic Lead of Circular Economy of the Sustainability Policy Commission of Nigerian Economic Summit Group
- Listed on the Roster of Experts of the UNFCCC for Nigeria
- Senior Policy Fellow of Institute of Green Growth Solutions. Accra
- Member, College of Research Associates of United Nation University- Institute for Natural Resources in Africa
- Fellow of Lead International and Nigerian Environmental Society

NATIONAL ROUNDTABLE ON HEALTH, SAFETY, SECURITY, AND ENVIRONMENT

Dr. Itua was ably represented by Mr. Emmanuel Chidebere as Anchor Man for the roundtable session. Panelist for the roundtable session include



Amb. Dapo Omolade
CEO, HYBRID Group; Chair,
IOSH West Africa; Nat Coordinator,
Safety Advocates; Consultant,
Lagos Safety Commission



Amb. Monica Nwosu
ISO, QHSE and Business Process
Improvement Expert
Principal Consultant/CEO- of Fresh
fountain Consulting Limited.
Master's degree (M.Sc.) in
Environmental Management
currently serves as Deputy Governor
General, WSO SafERR Ambassador



Amb. Julius Akpong
Occupational Safety and corporate
sustainability professional
HSE Manager of Cummins
Energy Solutions
EM Project Coordinator
WSO SafERR Ambassador

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The Award Ceremony:

A total of 12 Awardees were recognized during the awards ceremony.

List of 2020 WSO Awardees and Categories:

Itohan Egbedion

WSO-NG Armstrong Oyakhilome
Environmental Achievement Award

**Agharese Lucia Onaghise WSO-NG
Armstrong Oyakhilome**

Environmental Achievement Award

Hassan B. Hassan

WSO-NG Bamisayo Oluwagbemi
Public Health & Safety Achievement Award

Waliu Adegoke

WSO-NG OSH Merit Award

Engr. Mrs. Oluwemimo Sam-Aghedo

WSO-NG OSH Merit Award

Nonso Sean Nwaogu

WSO-NG Concerned Citizen Award

Wilson Etinosa Ekhomogiazin

WSO-NG UBTH Occupational Community &
Public Healthcare Distinguished Service Award

Julius Akpong

WSO-NG Bamisayo Oluwagbemi
Public Health & Safety Achievement Award

Ugochi Obidiegwu

WSO-NG Concerned Professional Award

Chief Dr. Emmanuel Iwuanyanwu

WSO-NG UBTH Occupational Community
& Public Healthcare Distinguished Service
Award

Omoruyi Daniel Edobor

WSO-NG UBTH Occupational Community
& Public Healthcare Distinguished Service
Award

Dr. Oyet Gogomary

WSO-NG Environmental/Occupational
Safety Person of the Year

AB-FACTOR Global Concept Limited

WSO-NG Partner of the Year

As a way of bringing the conference to a close, Mr. Soji Olalokun WSO-CSI, FECMRI, the WSO Country Director for Nigeria, thanked everyone for participating and acknowledged key stakeholders in the event for their participation in the virtual conference. Certificates of participation were made available via the emails of all registered delegates. Full packages and plagues for the SafERR Ambassadors were also sent accordingly to all concerned using our pick-up locations and/or the contact addresses given. The Conference ended by 3:30pm on Thursday the 24th of September 2020.

Reports collated by

**Amb. Emmanuel A.
Abayowa
Administrator
WSO Nigeria**



**Amb. Kelly Ogiesoba
Public Health &
Safety Instructor
WSO Nigeria**



SCOTT'S SAFETY SHARE

VERIFYING SAFEGUARDS

Submitted by **Scott Masters**, WSO-CSM; Contract Employee, Construction Lead Safety Specialist, Alliant Corporation; Tennessee and South Carolina USA

There are many safeguards that we put into place every single day to ensure that hazards are eliminated or mitigated. Often another individual may be the one responsible for implementing safeguards for a work task. No matter if you or someone else is responsible for implementing a safeguard, safeguards should be verified that they are in place prior to beginning work.

Why it is Necessary to Verify

There are many situations where verification is necessary to ensure with absolute certainty that a safeguard is in place prior to beginning a work task. When individuals proceed with their work without verifying the proper steps have been taken to work safely, incidents can occur. Taking the few extra moments to verify a safeguard is in place might make all the difference in preventing a serious injury or property loss incident.

Examples of Verifying Safeguards

- Pausing before the startup of a machine to verify that everyone is out of the line of fire.
- Attempting to start up a piece of equipment after locking and tagging it out prior to beginning mechanical work.
- Doing a radio check with the other workers involved in a critical lift prior to beginning lifting operations.
- Making radio communication with an operator of heavy equipment to ensure that he waved you on to enter his work area.
- Going through a checklist of all necessary safeguards prior to beginning a complex work task.

Summary

We are human, we make mistakes. It is important to take the time to not only implement the safeguards that need to be in place, but also verify that they are indeed in place and functioning correctly. It can be easy to forget to put a certain safeguard in place. It never hurts to double check your own work or the work of those around you when dealing with the mitigation of hazards.



WSO-WMC Welcomes Wanda Turner as new Executive Assistant



Wanda is a native of Pascagoula, MS with a diverse background in customer service, communications, and food service. She is a United States Air Force Veteran and a retired military spouse. Wanda has been married to her husband, Randy for 21 years and they have four children together: Kayley (21), William (19), Eli (17) and Fallon (16).

Wanda and her family transferred to Whiteman Air Force Base, MO from Keesler Air Force Base, MS in 2006 after being displaced due to Hurricane Katrina.

She is excited for this new opportunity with WSO and to collaborate with various safety organizations and businesses worldwide.

In her spare time Wanda enjoys spending time with her family, watching movies, reading, watching the Kansas City Chiefs, baking, and cooking. Please join us in welcoming Wanda to our team!

Requirements for WSO Professional Membership

WSO Professional Members are safety, hazard, risk, loss and accident prevention professionals performing full time activities in these fields.

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Along with the Professional Membership Application, current resume, and WSO Code of Conduct, the following documentation is to be submitted:

- 1) Two Letters of Recommendations as to one's safety abilities on the job.
- 2) Two Candidate Evaluations from colleagues, associates, or peers who know of one's abilities and successes.
- 3) Supporting documentation to include professional memberships, industry certifications and registrations, educational transcripts, etc.

Additionally, a minimum of 15 years of verifiable fulltime experience must be met with annual documentation of status or with the following combination of education and experience:

- 1) An Associate Degree plus 13 years of fulltime experience in safety and / or environmental science field.
- 2) A Bachelor's Degree plus 11 years of fulltime experience in safety and/ or environmental science.
- 3) A Graduate Certificate/ Diploma in Occupational Health and Safety (or similar equivalent postgraduate university qualification) plus 10 years of fulltime experience in safety and/ or environmental science field.
- 4) A Master's Degree plus 9 years of fulltime experience in safety and/ or environmental science field.
- 5) A PhD plus 6 years of fulltime experience in the safety and/ or environmental science field.

Degrees should be in safety, physical sciences, engineering, safety management, security, or other curricula acceptable to the WSO Approval Board. Degrees are to be from approved and accredited colleges or universities.



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