Introduction

This year we celebrate the 56th anniversary of NOSHCON, making it one of the longest surviving conferences on the African continent, and we are once again very proud to host you all at this leading risk management conference. At NOSA we continuously endeavour to innovate – both with the training we provide, and with our industry events. This, coupled with the feedback we received, has led to a review of the structure of our annual NOSHCON conference.

This year we will be holding three one-day programmes in Durban, Cape Town and Centurion – once a week over three weeks, with the option of attending just the presentations in your area, or cherry picking from those over all three days. Each event will host quality keynote presentations and breakaway sessions, covering the latest developments in HSEQ management, along with an evening’s entertainment.

Call for papers

The papers selected for presentation can cover a wide range of industry topics, from the standard focus areas, to current emerging trends and factors:

- Behaviour-based safety
- Cloud-based solutions/predictive analytics/software in safety
- Construction safety
- Corporate governance/King IV Report
- Environmental management/ISO 14001
- Ergonomics
- Fatigue management
- Global Harmonised System (GHS)
- Global warming
- HACCP/food safety/ISO 22000
- HIV/Aids management in the workplace
- Incident/impact prevention strategies
- Incident investigation/case studies
- Industry-specific risk management practices
- Integration of management standards/systems/OHSAS 18001 and the release of ISO 45001
- International benchmarks
- Internet of Things (IoT)
- Legislation/legal compliance
- Mine health and safety
- New risk management concepts
- Occupational health and safety
- Occupational hygiene
- Occupational risk management
- Psychosocial wellness
- Quality management/ISO 9001
- Risk management tools and technologies
- Robotics
- Root cause analysis
- Sustainability
- Training and development (occupational risk management)
- Waste management
- Working at height
Paper/abstract submission and contributions

We invite speakers to submit abstracts electronically (MS Word), in English, with a word count of no less than 300 words and no more than 1200 words. The abstract must include the following:

- Author(s) and/or presenter(s) title
- Author(s) and/or presenter(s) name and surname
- Company
- Website
- Contact details (phone numbers and email address)

Submit your abstracts to marketing@nosa.co.za by the 1st of April 2017.

Your papers should be concise and factually sound, and also:

- describe, define and compare the challenges facing different industries regarding HSEQ/occupational risk management
- analyse the current challenges of the occupational risk management industry (or related topic) including guidelines, examples, tools, concepts, solutions and ideas
- propose strategies, workflows and innovative approaches to occupational risk management solutions
- inform of existing practices and promising current and future solutions to occupational risk management challenges
- guide NOSHCON attendees by providing information that is easy to understand by diverse audiences representing various industries
- encourage the continued development of tools, techniques and solutions to support the African HSEQ industry.

Review process

Each paper will be reviewed by at least three independent reviewers, as well as the NOSA Committee. Relevance, clarity, soundness and understanding of industry needs and challenges will be essential for the paper’s acceptance.

Costs

Should your paper be approved, NOSA will be liable for all meals during the relevant period, as well as entrance to the conference and evening functions.

Terms and conditions

- Papers will be accepted based on the aforementioned criteria and space availability.
- In agreeing to present the paper at the conference, at the confirmed allotted time, the author also agrees that should they be unable to attend the conference, they will arrange for a suitable replacement (colleague/co-author) to present a paper (based on the same/similar topic) and will notify the NOSHCON organisers at least 30 days prior to the commencement of the conference.
- Copyright policy: Accepted papers will be published in print format and/or electronic format and/or online as part of the conference proceedings. Authors will grant NOSA a perpetual, non-exclusive, royalty-free, worldwide rights and license to copy, publish, use and modify the contribution and to distribute all or part of the contribution.

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