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# IPAF Summit: "Selling Safety"

The IPAF Summit to be held on 14th April at the NH Grand Hotel Krasnapolsky in Amsterdam, the Netherlands, will focus on the theme "Selling Safety".

The world-class line-up of speakers includes Gérard Deprez, chief executive of Loxam; Andrew Fishburn, managing director of Spirit Network and Bravi, Chris Wraith, UK quality, health and safety manager of the Lavendon Group and Jennifer Mathis of Ducker Research. The speakers will address issues ranging from the effect of the economic downturn on machine maintenance through to how to sell the fact that powered access is still



the best way to work safely at height.

Register for the free IPAF Summit at [www.ipa-summit.info](http://www.ipa-summit.info)

## Are you on safe ground?: Lift Safety Zone at CONEXPO-CON/AGG

Ever thought about how much a typical 60ft boom weighs? Or the bearing pressure it exerts on the ground? Tip-overs are one of the potential hazards when using aerial work platforms and a common cause is inadequate ground support. If you are visiting Conexpo in Las Vegas, join IPAF at the Lift Safety Zone in the Silver Lot 4, Booth S19722 for dynamic demonstrations that

show how ground pressures vary when the machine is in different positions. Experts are on hand to give guidance on the need to assess ground conditions and the measures that can be taken to ensure adequate ground support.

The Lift Safety Zone is a joint initiative between IPAF, the National Commission for the Certification of Crane Operators (NCCCO) and the Crane Certification Association of America (CCAA).



## Questions aplenty at Southern Regional Meeting

IPAF's UK Southern Regional Meeting in early February was one of the liveliest of regional meetings held to date, with lots of feedback and questions.

Chris Wraith of Lavendon delivered a presentation on the correct use of spreader pads and outriggers, which prompted a lively exchange on the different units of measure to indicate ground loading and pressure. Steven Morris of ZT Safety Systems, gave a demonstration of ZT's new safety harness. This led to discussion on the different types of harnesses and lanyards, and the difference between fall arrest and fall restraint. The meeting in West Sussex was hosted by Gordon Leicester, managing director of Facelift. Close to 40 people attended the event. Attendees praised the "thought-provoking content" and "good balance of information and networking". IPAF regional meetings are an

informal opportunity to learn about the industry and to meet colleagues and business associates. Look out for one near you at [www.ipaf.org/events](http://www.ipaf.org/events)



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IPAF focus



PDS events keep IPAF instructors up-to-date with new developments

## PDS dates

IPAF will again hold two Professional Development Seminars (PDS) this year for UK instructors and training centre staff: one in the North and one in the South.

The PDS is the annual event for IPAF-certified instructors ensuring that they remain up-to-date with legislation and training. It is a forum for the exchange of ideas and information between those who manage and those who deliver the training. Instructors who attend gain continuous professional development (CPD) points, necessary to maintain their instructor status.

The Southern PDS takes place on 4th October at the Milton Hill House in Oxfordshire OX13 6AF. The Northern PDS takes place on 6th October at the Best Western Shap Wells in Cumbria CA10 3QU.

IPAF has agreed bed-and-breakfast rates with both hotels. Visit [www.ipaf.org/events](http://www.ipaf.org/events) for details. Book early to get the special rates.

## Working at Height Seminar at IOSH

IPAF will be at the Access Industry Forum -Working at Height Seminar to be held on 15 March at the IOSH Conference & Exhibition in London. The seminar brings together leading experts from the major federations involved in the work at height sector. Speakers will address the latest issues and developments in managing risk when working at height, emphasising safety and best practice. IPAF's Giles Councill will speak on "Choosing the right MEWP for the job".

## Europlatform in Maastricht

The Europlatform conference takes place on 13th September, the day before APEX, in Maastricht, the Netherlands. Event details are at [www.europlatform.info](http://www.europlatform.info)



## Rental market uncovered

The IPAF US Powered Access Rental Report 2011 and the IPAF European Powered Access Rental Report 2011 will be published at the end of April. The reports give pertinent information on the size of the access rental market in Europe and the USA, and build on the successful series of reports started by IPAF.

The reports can be ordered at the Publications section of [www.ipaf.org](http://www.ipaf.org)



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