



CHANGE IS ON THE CARDS

FROM 1ST SEPTEMBER 2015 THERE WILL BE A REQUIREMENT TO HAVE HELD A CISRS TRAINEE SCAFFOLDER OR SCAFFOLDING LABOURER CARD FOR A MINIMUM OF SIX MONTHS PRIOR TO ATTENDING PART 1 TRAINING

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Positive Safety & Health Expo

On 16 - 18th June, the NASC and CISRS exhibited at the Safety & Health Expo - the UK's leading event for health and safety managers and practitioners, held for the second time at the ExCeL exhibition centre in the east end of London.

The show and conference attracted around 15,000 delegates this year, while 350 companies and associations exhibited. A conference organised by the Institution of Occupational Safety and Health (IOSH) was held alongside and linked into the event, attracting around 800 delegates from 43 countries. They were able to participate in 30 conference sessions and listen to over 60 expert speakers, with insight into best practice and case studies provided by experts from companies such as Thames Water, Heineken International, BAE Systems, American Express and BP. Speakers with a high media profile included Karren Brady, Ranulph Fiennes and Chris Hoy.

The joint NASC and CISRS stand featured an impressive five metre Altrad/Plettac Metrix system scaffold, erected by member company TRAD Scaffolding. Stand personnel were also kept busy dealing with enquiries over all three days of the event. Those visiting the stand were able to watch TG20:13 tube & fitting good practice eGuide demonstrations on the 32-inch Television screen and portable Android devices, as well as listen to discussions on Construction Industry Scaffolders Record Scheme (CISRS) training courses and NASC's scaffolding safety and technical guidance - with particular emphasis on the forthcoming launch of SG4:15 (the confederation's core safety guidance for work at height). The conference delegates also



CISRS/NASC focus

received a new, fully loaded NASC eco 'goody bag' featuring this year's yearbook and safety report, a CISRS CAP 609 booklet and NASC/CISRS promotional material.

On the first day, Simon Hughes, managing director of Simian Risk Management, helped man the NASC/CISRS stand and was available to offer his expertise to event attendees, which was widely appreciated. Laura Weekes was also on hand to discuss CISRS training, along with the NASC's safety and technical officer, Ken Johnson.

NASC managing director, Robin James said: "Once again, this exhibition and conference proved to be a busy and successful event for the NASC, with a new, bigger stand for 2015, reaching out to



both existing and new industry faces. There is still a lot of interest in TG20:13, which is great to hear. And there is a growing interest in our information only membership category, which is attracting applications from many different sources. Needless to say, the level of enquiries about the imminent release of SG4:15 was also very



high and we are looking forward to launching this core safety guidance in the Autumn."

"The NASC is represented at this event because we want to demonstrate to the health and safety industry and the construction sector what we are doing to improve safety standards as the national trade body for access and scaffolding in the UK. Once again we are pleased with the level of engagement from those attending."

CISRS training manager, Dave Mosley added: "This event has once again given CISRS a golden opportunity to tell the industry what we are doing to improve training standards in the UK, and globally with the CISRS Overseas Training Scheme (OSTS). We are again very pleased to have had a presence at the Safety & Health Expo and thank all those who took the time to come and visit us to learn more about the recognised industry scaffolding training scheme."

The Safety & Health Expo is held annually with the support of IOSH, RoSPA and the BSIF, and is one of the largest events of its kind in Europe.



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