









## The future of work at height

PASMA and the Access Industry Forum (AIF) have confirmed the speaker line up for the first national, one day conference on height safety: Implementing change and innovation in work at height.



The conference is scheduled for the 13th October at the Holywell Park Conference Centre, Loughborough University, and is supported by the Association for Project Safety (APS), Hire Association Europe (HAE) and the International Institute for Risk and Safety Management (IIRSM).

Dedicated exclusively to height safety, the Forum has assembled a number of speakers from industry and academia to address the issues and topics, trends and developments set to shape the work at height agenda over the coming months and years. In total, nine presenters will cover a wide range of topics from drones to designing for access.

- · The future of work at height.
- · Designing for access and the need for early engagement.
- The CDM Regulations 2015 and work at height.
- · When duty holders fail to do their duty.
- · Height safety: We're safer together.
- · A behavioural approach to work at height.
- · Getting falls from height reporting right.
- . Myths and misconceptions: Separating fact from fiction.
- Developing competency: The role of technology and e-learning.
- The journey to an injury free environment.

Speakers include Philip White - head of operational policy and strategy at the Health and Safety Executive, Steffan Groch - chairman



of the Health and Safety Lawyers' Association, Paul Bussey - chairman of the Designers' Initiative on Health and Safety, Tim Marsh - chairman of Ryder Marsh Sharman and Dylan Roberts - director of health, safety and well being at Skanska UK.

Also speaking will be Shaun Lundy of the University of Greenwich a member of the HSE's Myth Busters Challenge Panel - who will talk about the myths and misconceptions surrounding work at height, and John Dunne - group health, safety, environment and quality director at the Wates group who will discuss his company's We're safer together initiative.

The organisers believe that this will be the first conference to focus entirely on the future of work at height and as such could prove to be a landmark event in the evolution of height safety.

The Forum contributed to the development of the Work at Height Regulations 2005 and recently collaborated with the Health and Safety Executive on the revisions to the accompanying guidance notes.

More information about the conference programme, speakers and ticket prices are available at www.accessindustryforum.org.uk **Events section** 





## **New role at PASMA**

PASMA has appointed Jason Carlton to the new role of head of strategic engagement and enterprise. The post has been created to further develop the association's relationship with its members, create and advance new methods of engagement, and expand PASMA's horizons, both in the UK and internationally.

Managing director Peter Bennett said: "Developing our engagement with members is crucially important to the association's agreed strategy. Jason knows and understands the industry and speaks the language. He has the drive and experience we need and I am delighted to have him on board."

Carlton joins PASMA from access specialist Youngman where his most recent role was product and commercial manager - Boss, responsible for the management of towers and low level access products, including business planning and development. He joined the company in 2008 as business development manager, having previously run his own film and TV rigging company.

Talking about his role at PASMA he said: "It is an exciting time to be joining PASMA. The association



is already undergoing significant change and embracing innovation in the way it operates. I plan to bring my knowledge and ideas to the table in order to build upon the team's great work so far. PASMA membership already comes with a host of benefits, and with improved communication, liaison and engagement, there will be even more reasons for companies, both large and small, to become members."

## **New ICT officer**

Also new to the association is Andrew Robertson who joins the organisation from Landcatch, a genetic breeding specialist, where he was responsible for IT and data support across the UK, Europe and South America. He reports directly to head of operations, communications and innovation, Maarten de Vries.





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