Welcome
The ISC continues to grow in membership and expand our operations. We have a very exciting few months coming up and I am looking forward to seeing many of you in this time.

If you have any feedback or comments on the content of this newsletter or are interested in being on the mailing list, please contact me via safetycentre@icheme.org

What we have been up to…
It did not take long for the year to get underway with activities.

BP joined the ISC in January bringing our operating partners to 15.

IChemE’s new CEO Jon Prichard commenced on 30 January. He visited the Melbourne office earlier this month and took time to meet with the ISC Advisory Board Chair as well as the past Chair. He is very supportive of the work of the ISC and has encouraged us to continue our work to advance process safety worldwide.

In mid February I travelled to Johannesburg to speak at a SAiChE/IChemE member event. This was a great opportunity to talk about process safety and how it can be incorporated into operations in South Africa. Whilst there I took the opportunity to meet with several South African companies and hopefully we may see some new members joining us soon.

Recruitment is underway for the deputy to the director who will be based in the UK. This role will lead the development of the ISC and its membership in the UK, Europe, Africa and Middle East regions. First round interviews have been conducted and second round interviews will take place in early April.

Lastly, the ISC established its own twitter handle as part of its social media presence. If you are not yet following the ISC check us out @SafetyIChemE.

What’s next…
We have a new case study under development and plan to launch it at Hazards 27 in May. This one focuses on an incident investigation offshore.

Our competency and metrics projects are back underway and we are looking at releasing some useful tool kits to support companies in implementing the guidance.

We have developed some novel ideas to help universities teach process safety as part of our project to improve undergraduate education and are looking forward to trailng this with universities. We will have an article in The Chemical Engineer in the May edition.

The future of process safety work is well underway with development of ideas and strategies to address the key challenges. This work will be released at the World Congress of Chemical Engineering in Barcelona in October 2017.

Later in 2017 we will start to consider some new projects.

Key dates coming up
We have some more exciting activities and events coming up in the next few months.

March – 26-30, 13th Global Congress on Process Safety – San Antonio, USA
April – 10-11, Qatar Process Safety Symposium – Doha, Qatar
18-20, Global HSE Conference – Kingdom of Bahrain
26 – Process Safety and the Board – Auckland, NZ
30 – MineSafe International Case Study Workshop – Perth, Australia
May – 1, MineSafe International Conference – Perth, Australia
2, ISC Board meeting and ISC member workshop premiering the new case study – Perth, Australia
10-12, Hazards 27 – Birmingham, UK
22-25, IPSG meeting – Porsgrunn, Norway
June – I am taking a well earned rest. Tracey and our new hire will be running operations.

Stay safe...

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