

The Collaborator

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Welcome

Issue five of the collaborator marks the end of our second year of operation, and what a couple of years it has been.

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...

When we commenced operations in January 2014 we had six initial members, and this number has steadily grown to 22. In addition to this we have forged relationships with other centres, as well as universities and regulatory authorities.

The publication of the guidance documents cemented our position as a leading global safety centre.

In September we held a launch for the guidance documents in Perth, with the sponsors of both projects present.



Sreedhar and Steve Fogarty, the project sponsors with the final published documents

We have received a great deal of feedback on the documents from around the world with people downloading them and starting the process of implementation in their organisations.

In October I attended the Mary Kay O'Connor Process Safety Center International Symposium in association with IChemE. At this event IChemE recognised the MKOPSC Masters program as an accredited program for the academic pathway to Professional Process Safety Engineer.



Dr Sam Mannan receiving the MKOPSC Masters Accreditation certificate from IChemE's Neil Atkinson

The projects

We have some very exciting plans for the coming year, across a range of initiatives. These projects are outlined below:

Undergraduate engineering education

Working with industry, universities and the Education Special Interest Group in IChemE we will help to improve the process safety education in engineering degrees.

OHS education

Working with industry and the OHS Education Accreditation Board we will develop the process safety content for the OHS Body of Knowledge, helping to education OHS professionals to better recognise process safety implications.

Case studies

Continue to develop interactive case study tools. The initial three will be launched in May 2016.

The future of process safety

Collaborate with MKOPSC to map out the future of process safety – more to come on this soon.

Building on Competency document

Scope a project to complement the guidance document looking at how to develop, maintain and assure competency.

Building on metrics document

Scope a project to complement the metrics document to create tool kits for implementing the metrics consistently.

As you can see it will be a full year of work and activities. If you are interested in being involved in these projects please contact me.

Have a safe and happy holiday season where ever you may be and I look forward to continuing to work with you as we start our third year.

Stay safe...

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