

# Global Training Initiative The IOHA Perspective and Vision

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# IOHA Board

- Occupational Hygiene Associations = 26 members
- Different Languages = 12
- Accreditation/Certification Schemes = 9 (only 5 in English)
- National Accreditation Schemes recognised by IOHA = 6

# IOHA Perspective

- IOHA cannot do anything, it is an 'Association' of Associations.
- Its value is making connections via its members
- Identify ways in which IOHA may assist these initiatives.

# IOHA – Liaison Role (1)

- Be aware of the various IH training modules currently developed by the 'cross-industry group', and how they are progressing.
- Be aware of IH training modules under development.
- Communicate with other IOHA member organisations, to identify any synergism or divergence of effort.

# IOHA – Liaison Role (2)

- Identify ways in which IOHA may assist these initiatives.
- Report to IOHA Board on the “Global IH Training Initiative”.

# Objective of Global Training

- Industrial Hygiene training modules developed, peer reviewed and presented by professionals.
- Locally run practical courses which contribute to early career professional development.
- Achieving consistent, quality global practice

# IOHA – Vision – Ideal

1. A series of IH (Technician) training modules, developed and run by (IOHA Member) Associations, and recognised 'internationally' by IOHA member associations.
2. Expansion of IH technical skills in developing regions, or areas of need
3. Leading to a career path for training of professional IH
4. Expansion of IH profession & new IOHA Member Associations

# IOHA – Vision – Reality

1. A series of IH (Technician) training modules, developed and run by (IOHA Member) Associations meeting the needs of industry.
2. Expansion of IH technical skills in developing regions, or areas of need



# The Way Forward

Collaboration of IOHA Member Associations to:

1. Develop and run modular courses
2. Determine a process to test competency of candidates who attend these courses

IOHA's role – to participate in the discussion

# Progress to date

Collaboration of IOHA Member Associations to:

1. Develop and run courses (some 5 courses have been developed) by various organisations/University. Pilot courses have been run on 2 modules
2. The process to test competency of candidates needs further work

# The Future

Collaboration of more IOHA Member Associations to develop and run courses.

For "IOHA recognition" it would require a new IOHA Committee

(say "IOHA International Course Qualifications Recognition (ICQR) Committee") which comprised IOHA representatives, a charter & criteria for that ICQR Committee – then other organisations could also submit proposals for ICQR status.

# IOHA Position - Remember

IOHA is –

an “association of associations”

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