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IMPROVING WORKPLACE SAFETY AND HEALTH (WSH) THROUGH INNOVATION AND TECHNOLOGY AT OS+H ASIA 2018

29 August 2018 – Building on the momentum of Singapore’s Vision Zero movement which is focused on preventing injuries and being healthy at the workplace, the region’s leading exhibition on workplace safety and health OS+H ASIA 2018 opens today at Suntec Singapore with more than 200 exhibitors from 20 countries.

From safety clothing and shoes embedded with temperature sensors and biometric monitoring, gas detection systems, respirators with mobile apps, to ergonomic and posture wellness solutions, OS+H ASIA 2018 is the event of choice for sourcing and procurement of products and technologies for workplace safety health (WSH) practitioners, human resource (HR) managers, law enforcement officers, to owners of small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) and industry professionals from around the region. Various international delegations from China, Mongolia and Indonesia, and local visiting groups from Republic of Singapore Navy, Singapore Police Coast Guard, as well as companies representing the pharmaceutical, building and construction, offshore marine, shipbuilding, waste management services, electrical and electronic sectors, will be attending the exhibition over the next three days.

Though awareness for workplace safety and health has increased in recent years, accident numbers continue to be a focal point. In the first half of this year, there were 20 workplace fatalities in sectors such as construction, manufacturing and commercial diving, while statistics from the Ministry of Manpower (MOM) indicate that 285 workers sustained major injuries and 294 occupational disease cases were confirmed during the same period. Slips, trips and falls from height,

machinery and vehicular incidents were top incident types in the first quarter of 2018¹.

Set against the backdrop of increasing awareness on workplace accidents, fatalities, and occupational diseases, OS+H ASIA 2018 presents seven focus areas which include: Work at Height, Fire Protection, Environmental Control, Crisis and Emergency Management, Workplace Ergonomics, Smart Technologies and Health at Work.

For the first time, the exhibition will also introduce the OSH Technology Showcase which highlights smart technology and innovative solutions from companies such as Avetics Global, Fujitsu, and Magicsoft Asia Systems. The showcase will offer insight into a range of technology; from drones to monitor and improve safety in high-risk areas, to wearable sensors for multiple applications including detecting drowsiness in drivers.

The exhibition will also feature a series of diverse technical presentations, seminars and interactive product demonstrations. These activities are helmed by a multidisciplinary, international selection of WSH professionals and industry thought-leaders.

New challenges and opportunities have arisen from increasing workloads and a greater need for multitasking as a result of digitalisation, demographic changes in populations, and frequent calls by governments and industries to adjust workplace safety standards for more healthy work environments. Commenting on this Mr Gernot Ringling, Managing Director, Messe Düsseldorf Asia, said: "Improving workplace safety and workplace health is important because they reinforce each other. OS+H Asia comes in as a valuable resource for industries and OSH practitioners in the region to procure supplies, share holistic approaches and latest practices that can elevate current

¹National Workplace Safety and Health Statistics, Ministry of Manpower, Q1 2018



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workplace safety and health values, and tackle present and future workplace challenges.”

The 11th Occupational Safety and Health Exhibition for Asia runs from 29 to 31 August 2018 at Suntec Singapore, from 10am – 6pm daily.

Co-located events

- **The Singapore WSH Conference 2018 | Wed – Thu, 29 – 30 Aug**

Co-organised by the WSH Council; WSH Institute and Ministry of Manpower

The Singapore WSH Conference 2018 brings together WSH professionals, business leaders and government officials with the industry’s most respected voices of authority to share and learn the latest trends and developments impacting WSH and its practice.

- **Forum on Workplace Safety and Health 2018| Friday, 31 Aug**

Jointly organised by Singapore Institution of Safety Officers and Messe Düsseldorf Asia

The forum will gather regional WSH experts, specialists and manufacturers to share insights on strategic capabilities in workplace safety and health. The forum will offer opportunities to gain special insights from policy makers and thought leaders, and best practices from leading practitioners and organisations. Learn and benefit from discussions on emerging issues in WSH such as Ageing Workforce, Management Strategies to Help the Workforce from Falling into Depression, SGSecure and the WSH Community, as well as competency requirements for WSH professionals and the latest WSH technological advances and innovations.

For more information on the exhibition and forum, visit www.osha-singapore.com



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About OS+H Asia 2018

OS+H Asia 2018 is the 11th edition of The Occupational Safety + Health Exhibition for Asia. Held in Singapore since its inception in 1998, it is driven by A+A, the world's leading trade fair for all aspects of Safety, Security and Health at Work, organized by Messe Düsseldorf in Germany.

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