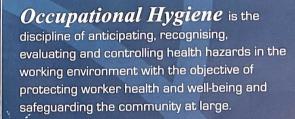
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A Brief History

The definition of occupational hygiene was one of the earliest areas of agreement among the Board of Directors who met in the first days of the Association.

Now this definition is considered so obvious that it is accepted without question, but some 25 years ago this was almost a major stumbling block to progress. Imagine the scene. A warm morning in early April 1987 in a largely unventilated room in the University of Nottingham, England. Fifteen people in attendance, all speaking English, although for eight of them this was not their native language. The man leading this meeting was Dr Jeffrey Lee whose dream of establishing an international grouping of professional occupational hygienists was nearing completion.

Lee was the Chair of the board of Directors of the American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists (ACGIH) and for the past two years he had had a vision of an amalgamation of all those national bodies, who were operating in different countries across the globe, coming together to pool their assets and knowledge. However, how occupational hygiene could actually be defined almost stopped the meeting before it had started. Many different and differing views were expressed and no agreement could be reached. Eventually the meeting agreed that one of the meeting's observers - who had no direct interest in the outcome, would distil the suggestions from those attending and come up with a compromise definition. This is the one now being used and it differs subtly from others in use around the world.

From its humble beginnings and the efforts of a small group of passionate, dedicated occupational hygienists came the dream of an International Occupational Hygiene Association (IOHA) to represent all national occupational/industrial hygiene associations, and the profession of occupational hygiene around the world.

Its objectives were to:

- promote and develop occupational hygiene throughout the world
- promote the exchange of occupational hygiene information among organisations and individuals
- encourage the further development of occupational
 - hygiene at a professional level
- maintain and promote a high standard of ethical practice in occupational hygiene

Now in the 25th year of IOHA, this dream has long become a reality, and many hygienists have contributed to its success.

Today it is a non-government organisation (NGO) recognised by the United Nations World Health Organisation and the International Labour Organisation. It now comprises 29 national associations from 27 countries, and nearly 20,000 members.

The objectives of IOHA today are still based on the same ideals and these are to:

- promote and maintain a high standard of ethics in the practice of occupational hygiene internationally
- improve the calibre of practitioners of occupational hygiene internationally by promoting and co-ordinating vocational training and by encouraging the further development of and seeking to promote the status of, occupational hygiene as a profession throughout the world
- advance and maintain the high level of professional competence through recognition of national accreditation schemes
- improve, promote and develop the professional practice of occupational hygiene so as to improve and protect worker health and wellbeing throughout the world
- promote the exchange of information about occupational hygiene among organisations and individuals internationally, e.g. through the organising of international conferences and networking through websites
- collaborate and cooperate with other societies, national and international organisations in the promotion of occupational hygiene for the protection of the workforce
- provide the international voice of the occupational hygiene profession through its recognition as a non-governmental organisation (NGO) by the ILO (International Labour Organisation) and WHO (World Health Organisation).

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JUN 1987	Montreal , Canada	Inaugural Meeting	
APR 1988	Nottingham, England	Annual Board Meeting	
APR 1989	Geneva, Switzerland	Annual Board Meeting	
MAY 1990	Orlando, USA	Annual Board Meeting	
MAY 1991	Salt Lake City, USA	Interim Board Meeting	
SEPT 1991	Edinburgh, Scotland	Annual Board Meeting	
DEC 1992	Brussels, Belgium	Annual Board Meeting and First	
		International Scientific Conference	
MAY 1993	New Orleans, USA	Interim Board Meeting	
OCT 1993	Dortmund, Germany	Annual Board Meeting	
MAY 1994	Anaheim, USA	Interim Board Meeting	
NOV 1994	Hong Kong	Annual Board Meeting and Second	
		International Scientific Conference	
MAR 1995	Blackpool, England	Interim Board Meeting and	
		Workshop on Certification	
DEC 1995	Adelaide, Australia	Annual Board Meeting	
APR 1996	Keele, England	Interim Board Meeting	
SEP 1996	Stockholm, Sweden	Annual Board Meetinga	

MAY 1997	Dallas, USA	Interim Board Meeting	
SEP 1997	Crans Montana, Switzerland	Annual Board Meeting and Third	
		International Scientific Conference	
MAR 1998	London, England	Interim Board Meeting	
OCT 1998	Seattle, USA	Annual Board Meeting	
JUN 1999	Toronto, Canada	Interim Board Meeting	
SEP 1999	Johannesburg, South Africa	Annual Board Meeting	
JUL 2000	Cairns, Australia	Interim Board Meeting and Fourth	
		International Scientific Conference	
NOV 2000	Birmingham, England	Annual Board Meeting	
JUN 2001	New Orleans, USA	Intecinference Meeting	
NOV 2001	Geneva, Switzerland	Annual Board Meeting	
JUN 2002	Bergen, Norway	Interim Board Meeting and Fifth	
		International Scientific Conference	
NOV 2002	London, England	Annual Board Meeting and Control	
		Banding Workshop	
MAY 2003	Dallas, USA	Interim Board Meeting	
DEC 2003	Adelaide, Australia	Annual Board Meeting	
JUN 2004	Utrecht, The Netherlands	Interim Board Meeting and	
		Assessment Conference	
MAY 2005	Anaheim, USA	Interim Board Meeting	

SEP 2005	Pilanesberg, South Africa	Annual Board Meeting and Sixth
		International Scientific Conference
APR 2006	Newcastle, England	Interim Board Meeting
SEP 2006	Leiden, The Netherlands	Annual Board Meeting
JUN 2007	Philadelphia, USA	Interim Board Meeting
SEP 2007	Milan, Italy	Annual Board Meeting
FEB 2008	Taipei, Taiwan	Interim Board Meeting and Seventh
		International Scientific Conference
SEP 2008	Geneva, Switzerland	Annual Board Meeting and liaison
		Meeting with WHO officials
MAY 2009	Toronto, Canada	Board Meeting and Second
		Annual General Meeting
OCT 2009	Bilbao, Spain	Annual Board Meeting
MAY 2010	Denver, USA	Board Meeting and Third Annual
		General Meeting
SEP 2010	Rome, Italy	Annual Board Meeting and Eighth
		International Scientific Conference
APR 2011	Stratford upon Avon, UK	Interim Board Meeting
OCT 2011	Singapore	Board Meeting and Fourth Annual
		General Meeting
SEP 2012	Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia	Annual Board Meeting and Nineth
		International Scientific Conference

Officers Of The Association

YEAR	PRESIDENT		SECRETARY	/ TREASURER
1988 - 89	J S Lee	USA		
1989 - 90	P E de Silva	Australia	G L Lee	UK
1990 - 91	M Guillemin	Switzerland		
1991 - 92	V Riveira Rico	Spain		
1992 - 93	W H Krebs	USA	B I Björkqvist	Finland
1993 - 94	A Burdorf	The Netherlands		
1994 - 95	L Lillienberg	Sweden		
1995 - 96	R F Herrick	USA	T W Tsin	Hong Kong
1996 - 97	T G E Gillanders	UK		
1997 - 98	R Viinanen	Finland		Germany
1998 - 99	B Davies	Australia	K Leichnitz	
1999 - 2000	P Oldershaw	UK	A STATE OF	
2000 - 01	V E Rose	USA	G Nise	Sweden
2001 - 02	K Leichnitz	Germany		
2002 - 03	D Zalk	USA	K 01:	
2003 - 04	H Jackson	Australia	K Gardiner	UK
2004 - 05	T Spee	The Netherlands	P Swuste	The Netherlands
2005 - 06	T W Tsin	Hong Kong		A STATE OF THE STA
2006 - 07	R Ferrie	South Africa	0.00	Taiwan
2007 - 08	R Ferrie	South Africa	C C Chen	
2008 - 09	T Grumbles	USA		
. 2009 - 10	D Cottica	Italy		UK
2010 - 11	L Hamelin	Canada	H Dalrymple	
2011 - 12	N Tresider	Australia	A Hiddinga	The Netherlands

The Formative & Developmental Years



Founding Group Toasting IOHA Formation | Montreal June 2, 1987



The founding meeting took place on the morning of 2nd June 1987 in the Board Room of the Le Centre Sheraton Hotel in Montreal, commencing at 9.00 and was closed shortly after midday. In attendance were representatives from ten of the leading national organisations.

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These were:

- Pam de Silva from the Australian Institute of Occupational Hygienists
- Guy Ethier and Gyan Rajhans from the Canadian Registration Board for Occupational Hygienists
- Tim Carter from the British Occupational Hygiene Society
- Bill Ellis from the Institute of Occupational Hygienists
- Jan Twisk from the Dutch Occupational Hygiene Society
- Gaetano Cecchetii from the Italian Association of Industrial Hygienists
- Vicente Riveira from the Spanish chapter of AIHA
- A L Hartmann from the Swiss Occupational Hygienists Association
- Jeffrey Lee from the American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists and
- Alice Farrar from the American Industrial Hygiene Association.

Those present considered as many of the motions prepared by Jeffrey Lee as they were able to in the time allowed and all agreed that previous discussions both on paper, and on a face-to-face basis prior to the formal meeting, had clarified many of the issues and had opened areas of agreement.

Under Lee's chairmanship the motions agreed were as follows:

MOTION 1:

That those present shall form an international organisation in occupational hygiene and the name shall be the International Occupational Hygiene Association.

MOTION 2:

The Association be comprised of individuals and organisations.

MOTION 3:

The objectives of the Association will be:

- Promote and develop occupational hygiene throughout the world
- Promote the exchange of occupational hygiene information among organisations and individuals
- Encourage the further development of occupational hygiene at a professional level
- Maintain and promote a high standard of ethical practice in occupational hygiene

MOTION 4:

Not considered but covered in Motion 5

MOTION 5:

Initially, the governing body should comprise solely those attending the meeting. Any additional representation can be considered subsequently.

MOTIONS 6 TO 17, 20 TO 23, AND 25 onwards were not debated. Those present agreed to circulate written comments.

MOTION 24:

This motion dealt with the structure in terms of committee members and it was accepted that Gerry Lee from BOHS would provide a continuity link while Jeffrey Lee would remain as the co-ordinator and the main protagonist of the Association.

Jeffrey Lee said that he would approach the individual members at the meeting for help with specific tasks.

And this three hour meeting was the formation of a global enterprise with over 13,000 members in its 25th year.



First Board Meeting | Nottingham April 12, 1988



Left to Right: Dr A L Hartmann, Mr V Riveira, Mr TGE Gillanders, Dr L Lillienberg, Mr WGM Lawson, Mrs P R De Silva, Dr JS Lee, Mr GL Lee, Mrs A Farrar, Mr SHS van der Meulen, Dr JT Carter, Mr HL Evans, Mr K Krook.

As the opening of this history records, the first meeting of the International Occupational Hygiene
Association was held in Nottingham on April 12 1988.

Dr Jeffrey Lee had taken the opportunity to circulate a proposed agenda to all the delegates in February and in this agenda he was careful to differentiate between those areas where agreement had already been reached and those areas where agreement was still required.

The meeting began with an acceptance of the Minutes of the founding meeting and the introduction of Mr Frank Lunau who had, that month, been appointed as Executive Secretary of BOHS. Lunau was an experienced occupational hygienist who had been recruited by BOHS to replace its willing, but volunteer, secretarial workforce. He was operating initially on a part-time basis but the intention was that the workload from IOHA would be likely to assist in alleviating the financial burden to BOHS. Lunau proceeded to take minutes and some months later produced the first set of minutes for approval. However, the first true item of business came when the Board had to decide who should chair the meeting and who to invite as members. Needless to say, Dr Lee was asked to take the chair.

At this stage there was considerable discussion on the structure of the Association. After some deliberations, it was agreed that IOHA should remain an association of national organisations through the developmental period – which was estimated to take three years.

The Board also considered its title, the nature of the voting rights, the ability to recruit proxy votes, and the numbers required to be present to make the Board quorate. The title of the Board was easily resolved as it unanimously agreed to be known as the Board of Directors.

It was then quickly agreed that any Director unable to attend a Board meeting could have his vote passed to another Director to be used as a proxy vote; but only for items placed on a previously circulated agenda. Also, at least two thirds of Directors needed to be present for the Board to be quorate and to transact business. This two thirds included any proxy votes.

The Board then considered how many members a national organisation would have to have before being accepted for membership. No decision was reached and it was agreed not to indicate a minimum number but to let subsequent Board meetings use their discretion. By the same token, individual organisations would select their own delegate to be a Director, but that the appointment should be for a two year minimum period. This term was felt to be necessary so as to ensure continuity.

The appointment of Board officers who were capable and authorised to carry out business on behalf of the Board were considered. As a consequence, the following were appointed as Officers of the Association for the year ending April 1989:

President: Dr J S Lee (ACGIH)
President Elect: Mrs P E de Silva (AIOH)
Vice President: Dr M Guillemin (SOHA)

Secretary/

Treasurer: Mr G L Lee (BOHS)

In order to fund the Association a budget had to be approved, and initial costings had been obtained from BOHS. Mr Lunau presented these costs and gave his opinion on the expected income against the expected membership numbers. After adjustments of membership criteria to reflect an income in pounds sterling rather than US dollars these figures were accepted and authority given to BOHS to set up an IOHA Secretariat. The Secretary/Treasurer was authorised to appoint a firm of auditors to ensure financial rectitude.

The Board then considered how best to fulfil one of their primary objectives – the promotion of occupational hygiene. It was considered that a Newsletter would be appropriate and all Directors were urged to send any information regarding proposed meetings, conferences, job opportunities, etc. to the Secretary for inclusion. It was agreed that two Newsletters be published each year: one in March and one in September and that the first would be in October 1988.

It was agreed that a formal set of Bylaws would be necessary for the Association and the offer by Jeffrey Lee, supported by Pam de Silva, to produce one for possible approval by the next Board meeting was gratefully accepted.

The original Montreal agreement had expressed support for a Code of Ethics binding on all member organisations. However, mature reflection had led the Directors to belief that such a Code might be difficult to enforce as it could conflict with national practices, cultural norms, personal responsibilities and (in some cases) legislation.

Despite this it was felt that a "Code of Good Practice" might not be as difficult to introduce and Gyan Rajhans (CRBOH) was invited to explore the possibility of such a document. All member organisations with such codes were invited to offer them as possible models.

Towards the end of the meeting the observer and his advisors who had been working on a composite definition of occupational hygiene were invited to submit their idea to the Board. The Board agreed unanimously that this definition would have their approval:

Bylaws of the International Occupational Hygiene Association (IODA)

Signed this day: 17 Maic 1989 Institute of Occupational hygienists (10h), U.k. Bobernmental Industrial Tygienists (ACGIT) Alice C. Larrar alling & Luly American Industrial Trygiene Italian Industrial Tygiene Association (Associazione Italiana Degli Igienisti Industriali) Association (AIhA) mm Spanish Local Section of AIHA (Section Espanola) Australian Institute of Occupational Hygienists (AIOH) Swedish Industrial Hygienist Association (Arbetshygienska British Occipational Tygiene Society (Bens) Sallskapet) Swedish Occupational Tyglene Association (Svensk Canadian Registration Board of Occupational Tygienists Brkeshygienisk forening) (CRBOD) Swiss Occupational Tygienists Dutch Occupational Tygiene Association (Association Suisse Society (Nederlandse Vereniging des Tygienistes du Travil)

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Finnish Occupational Tygiene

The Document Confirming Acceptance of The ByLaws Towards the end of the meeting the observer and his advisors who had been working on a composite definition of occupational hygiene were invited to submit their idea to the Board. The Board agreed unanimously that this definition would have their approval:

'Occupational Hygiene is the discipline of anticipating, recognising, evaluating and controlling health hazards in the working environment with the objective of protecting worker health and well-being and safeguarding the community at large.'

The meeting closed with a prescient view expressed by a now unrecorded Director who felt that a move to further relationships with international organisations such as WHO, ILO and the European Community would be worth further investigation - and could be beneficial.

Organisations in Membership

At the original founding meeting in Montreal in 1987 there were eight organisations seen as being sufficiently established as to warrant automatic membership of IOHA.

These were:

- The Australian Institute of Occupational Hygienists
- British Occupational Hygiene Society
- The Institute of Occupational Hygienists
- · The Dutch Occupational Hygiene Society
- The Italian Association of Industrial Hygienists
- The Swiss Occupational Hygienists Association
- The American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists and
- The American Industrial Hygiene Association

At the Board meeting in Nottingham in 1988 the Board approved the membership of four more organisations, namely:

- The Canadian Registration Board for Occupational Hygienists
- The Swedish Industrial Hygienists' Association
- · The Swedish Occupational Hygiene Association and
- The Finnish Occupational Hygiene Association

Subsequently, the following organisations have been accepted by the Board:

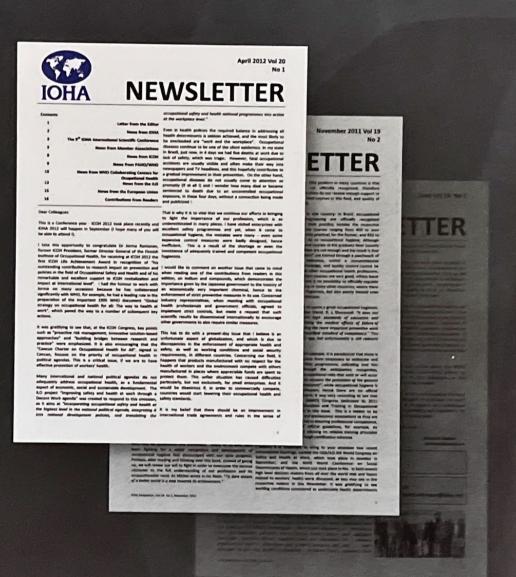
- 1991 The German Occupational Hygiene Society
 - The Norwegian Occupational Hygiene Association
 - Societé Francaise des Hygienistes du Travail (SOFHTY).
- 1992 Hong Kong Institute of
 Occupational and Environmental
 Health (HKIOEH).
- 1994 Japan Occupational Hygiene Association
- 1996 Brazilian Occupational Hygienists
 Association (ABHO).
 - Occupational Hygiene Society of Ireland (OHSI)
 - South African Institute for Occupational Hygiene (SAIOH)

- 1999 Polish Association of Industrial Hygienists
 - Mexican Industrial Hygiene Association (AMHI)
- 2000 Taiwan Occupational Hygiene Association
- 2001 New Zealand Occupational Hygiene Society
- 2002 Netherlands Registered Occupational Hygienists Society
- 2003 Japan Association for Working Environment

 Measurement
- 2005 Malaysian Industrial Hygiene Association (MIHA)
- 2008 Columbian Association of Occupational Hygienists (ACHO)
 - Korean Association of Occupational and Environmental Hygiene
- 2011 Occupational and Environmental Health Society of Singapore
- 2012 Macedonian Association of Industrial
 Hygiene and Occupational Health

IOHA Newsletter

IOHA developed its own website in March 2004 and all of the Newsletters can now be downloaded from www.ioha.net and following the links. The numbers of issues published each year do vary but there is always two and sometimes three.



The Board Meetings



Board Meeting | Brussels December 5, 1992



Geoff Crockford, Alex Burdorf, Jeff Lee, Kurt Leichnitz, Lillea Lillienberg, Bill Krebs, Tom Gillanders Bob Herrick, Berenice Goelzer, Ben Björkqvist, Pamela Blythe Michel Guillemin, Vicente Riveira, Jacques Malchaire, Louise Wong, Gün Nise, André Joly Noel Wendt



Board Meeting | Hong Kong November 15, 1994



Back Row

TGE Gillanders, R Herrick, W H Krebs, P J Oldershaw, K Leichnitz, B I Björkqvist, N Wendt, A Burdorf,

A Joly, T W Tsin

Front Row

P M Blythe, L Lillienberg, Y Matsumura, J S Lee

Board Meeting | Bergen



Back Row Front Row M Stenzel, D Heederik, T. Spee, H. Dalrymple, T. Grumbles, J. Naerheim R. Ferrie, N. Tresider, E Grignani, D. Cottica, G. Bourgeoisat, L. Hamelin, PM Blythe, TW Tsin, S H Park





Board Meeting | Leiden Holland September 2006



Back Row Front Row M Stenzel, D Heederik, T. Spee, H. Dalrymple, T. Grumbles, J. Naerheim R. Ferrie, N. Tresider, E Grignani, D. Cottica, G. Bourgeoisat, L. Hamelin, PM Blythe, TW Tsin, S H Park



Board Meeting | Geneva September 2008



Back Row

S Asuka, M. Stenzel, M Guillemin, D. Cottica, R Ferrie, L. Hamelin, N. Tresider, K. Loulelainen,

T Grumbles

Front Row

DJ van Vuuren, H Dalrymple, J. Naerheim, J-K Jang, P M Blythe



Board Meeting | Bilbao September 2009



Back Row Centre Row Front Row

J. Naerheim, T Grumbles, A Hiddinga, R Van der Haar, H. Dalrymple

M Guillemin, G. Bourgeoisat, S Atkinson, S Asuka

N Tresider, DJ van Vuuren, R Jimenez, D Cottica, L Hamelin, P Blythe, C C Chen

The Code of Ethics

Wayne Wood took over the first task and in July 1989 and resurrected the original CRBOH Board member, Gyan Rajhans work, which had started in April 1988. Finally, at the interim Board meeting on 17 May 1993, held in New Orleans, the Code of Ethics was adopted as the official IOHA Code. It took a little over five years from conception to fruition.

In 2010 Noel Tresider agreed to review and update the Code in light of the different organisations now in IOHA. The final version of the code should be in place for a launch at the Nineth International Conference in Malaysia in 2012.

The International Conferences



The 1st IOHA Conference was held in Brussels over 7 to 9th December 1992 and had over 300 delegates who heard 35 oral presentations and 40 poster displays.

There were four keynote presentations and, along with eight other papers, became the subject of a publication. It was considered to be a success and, before it had actually started, the IOHA Board had acknowledged this success and already were considering their next one.



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The 2nd IOHA Conference was scheduled for Hong Kong over the period 16 to 18th November 1994. In the event, 147 delegates attended the conference and sixty paid to attend the workshops.

There were 67 presentations, including nine keynote presentations, and seven paying workshops as part of the pre-conference activities. An exhibition which was run in parallel with the presentations, poster sessions and workshops proved a big success. It attracted over 1,000 visitors and was commented on in a very positive manner. In addition, the organisers made space available for those who

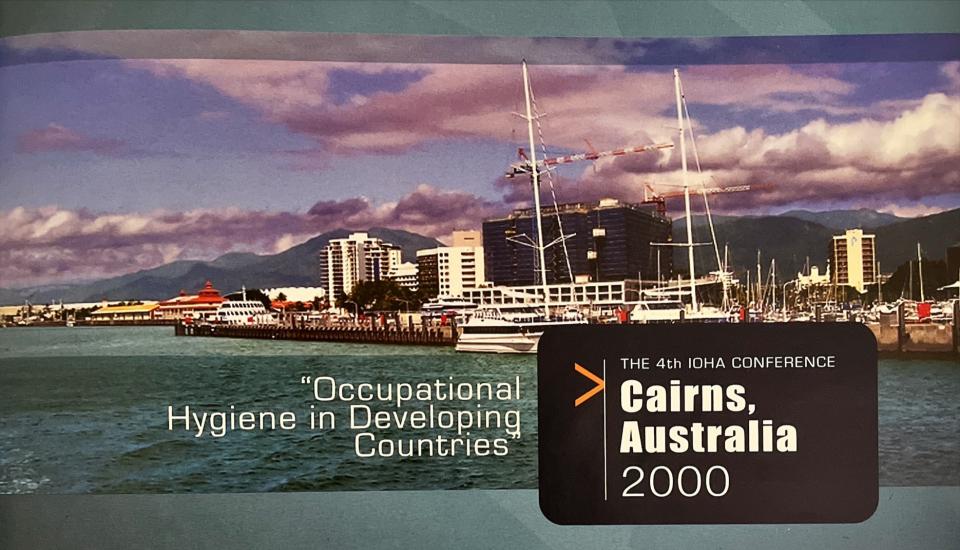
wished to sit professional examinations and there were 12 who took the CIH core examination; 5 who took the CIH Final examination; and 10 who took the CSP examination.

Despite being a technical and professional success the conference was a financial loss and had to be underwritten by the Hong Kong Occupational Safety and Health Council.



The 3rd IOHA Conference was hosted by the Swiss Occupational Hygiene in September 1997 at Crans Montana. The organisers took as the motto of the conference: "Being professional: the key to efficiency and success". The 250 delegates came from 35 different countries and heard four keynote speakers introduce the four plenary sessions. The conference organisers also introduced the new idea of a roundtable discussion and four workshops. These smaller sessions were held in parallel and gave rise to fruitful exchanges. There were also twelve platform sessions; three poster sessions; and a special event for those interested in mining and tunnel construction.

For the first time the organisers had laid on a social programme including a "welcome party"; and a Swiss raclette dinner on a nearby mountain top, complete with musicians playing Alpen horns. The buffet meal was being constantly interrupted as the delegates kept leaving the room to view the progress of a total eclipse of the moon on this clear evening! One of the highlights of the conference was the presentation of the IOHA's lifetime achievement award to Dr Jeffrey L Lee, the first IOHA President.



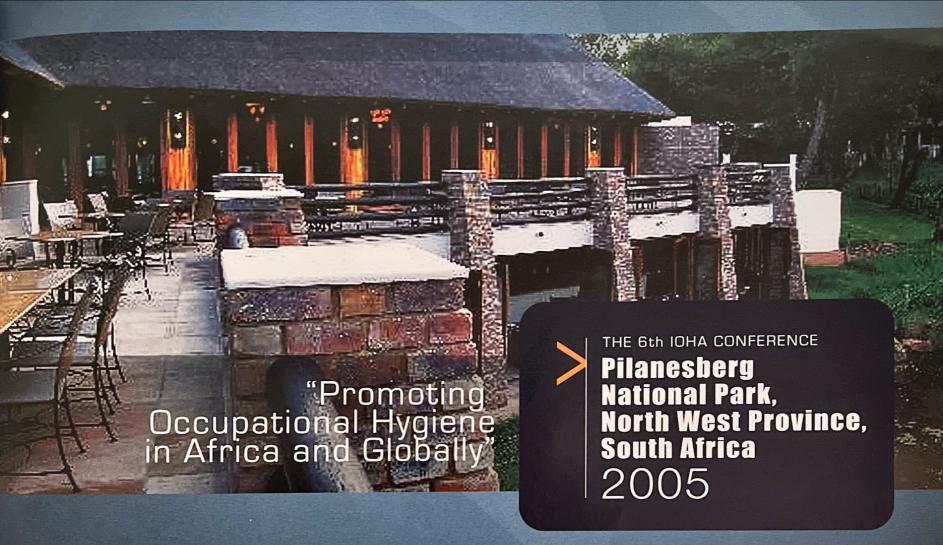
The 4th IOHA Conference had been decided as early as 1995. A bid from the Australian Institute of Occupational Hygienists hosts this event at Cairns, Queensland; and to have as their theme "Occupational Hygiene in Developing Countries". The conference was held over the period 10 – 14th July 2000 and attracted almost 300 delegates from 28 countries.

The conference was somewhat overshadowed by the untimely death of Dr R J (Jerry) Sherwood and his wife who died in a road traffic accident while travelling to the conference. Jerry was to have received the IOHA lifetime achievement award at the conference.



The 5th IOHA Conference had been determined by a successful bid from the Norwegian Occupational Hygiene Society. They proposed that it be held in Bergen on 10 – 14th June 2002. In the report of the conference the Newsletter reported "It is said that the children of Norway are born with skis under their arms, however those in Bergen are born with an umbrella instead." This was in pointed reference to the rainfall in Bergen and the delegates were not disappointed as the last two days of the conference took place in torrential rain.

There were over 300 present from 35 different countries. Of these, only 19 were in membership of IOHA. While there were the usual plenary sessions and workshops the conference innovative style also included a full session where the interface between ergonomics and occupational hygiene was explored and discussed. The IOHA Lifetime achievement award was presented to Berenice Goelzer.



The 6th IOHA Conference was hosted by the Southern Africa Institute of Occupational Hygiene and held over the period 19 to 23rd September 2005 within the conference centre of Pilanesberg National Park, North West Province, South Africa. Following the grim picture painted by the presentations at the 4th International Conference where the conclusions reached were that many more trained hygienists were required, the organising committee took as its theme "Promoting Occupational Hygiene in Africa and Globally". The majority of African countries do not have trained occupational hygiene personnel. The addressed this and aimed conference presentations at sectors such as Agriculture, the Informal Sector, Manufacturing and Mining which are important to Africa and other continents.

Over three hundred delegates attended and the organisers were congratulated on organising a successful international occupational hygiene conference: the first time this had taken place in Africa. Outside of the conference hall the delegates experienced a dusk safari drive around the National Park where they saw a wide variety of animals in the wild, and also had an opportunity to enjoy an African Braai – a South African barbecue. The IOHA Lifetime achievement award was presented to Dr David Grantham.



The 7th IOHA Scientific Conference was organised by the Taiwan Occupational Hygiene Association. It was held from the 18th to 22nd February 2008 in the modern Taipei International Convention Centre, Taiwan. The conference was opened by the President of Taiwan, President Chen, who told the 498 conference delegates from 34 countries that Taiwan welcomed them, and went on to describe the history of occupational health legislation in Taiwan. There were many high quality presentations and workshop sessions during the four day conference including eight keynote presentations, 120 oral sessions and 109 poster presentations.

The standard of presented papers was only matched by the high standard of hospitality shown by the hosts. Delegates participated in a "Welcome" banquet; a sky lantern evening event; a trip to the observatory atop of Taipei's 101 building and a "Farewell" party. This was a very successful meeting and the best attended conference with which IOHA had been involved. The IOHA Lifetime achievement award was presented to Kurt Leichnitz.



The 8th IOHA Conference was hosted by the Italian Association of Industrial Hygienists (AIDII) in Rome over the period 28th September to 2nd October 2010. The conference took as its theme "Health, Work and Social Responsibility". The speakers demonstrated how the integration of the work of the occupational hygienist with others benefited all. Topics considered the interface with the fields of environmental control, and health and safety. The conference itself was a huge international hit and had an outstanding attendance. It gathered over a thousand delegates from more than fifty different countries and compared innovative studies, exclusive

projects and precious know-how in order to make work more productive and more compatible with health and life quality requirements. There were 11 keynote lectures, 25 workshops, 263 oral sessions and 233 poster sessions. The IOHA Lifetime achievement award was shared, for the first time, between Brian Davies and Trevor Ogden.





The 9th IOHA Conference is hosted by Malaysian Industrial Hygiene Association (MIHA) in Kuala Lumpur from the 16 - 20th September 2012. The theme "Growing the Seeds of Occupational Hygiene" is chosen to emphasize the needs to promote and enhance the awareness of protecting workers' health at the workplace and aspires to further promote Industrial Hygiene as a new field that begins to be recognized and in demand within the region. To be held at the prestigious Kuala Lumpur Convention Centre, in the vicinity of world's tallest twin towers, the PETRONAS Twin Towers, delegates will enjoy the spectacular view of the vibrant city.

Events highlights as part of the 9th IOHA International Scientific Conference:

- IOHA BOARD MEETING
- PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT COURSES

 (PDC)
- PODIUM PRESENTATIONS PLENARY AND CONCURRENT SESSIONS
- POSTER PRESENTATION
- GALA DINNER IN CONJUNCTION WITH IOHA
 25TH ANNIVERSARY
- TECHNICAL TOUR
- SOCIAL TOURS

With the Professional Development Courses (PDCs) set on 16 - 17th Sept (12 full-day topics), and the Scientific & Technical Presentation during the Conference on 18 - 20th September, many IH/OH and HSE matters are expected be discussed and shared across the fraternity. The conference itself has attracted 200 speakers whom are experts in IH and other HSE disciplines from more than 30 countries.

Celebrating IOHA 25th Anniversary this year, a Gala Dinner with the theme "An Evening of Silvery Moment" is one of the Conference highlights. Several tour programs are also organised to ensure delegates can enjoy Malaysia, Truly Asia.

Congratulations

The following organisations offer their congratulations to the International Occupational Hygiene Association (IOHA), and pay tribute to the many past Presidents, Office Bearers, IOHA Board Members and the IOHA Secretariat who over the last 25 years have contributed to its success.



American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists (ACGIH)



American Industrial Hygiene Association (AIHA)



Australian Institute of Occupational Hygienists [AIOH]



Belgian Society for Occupational Hygiene



Brazilian Association of Occupational Hygienists
• Associação Brasileira de Higienistas Ocupacionais (ABHO)



Working for a healthier workplace

British Occupational Hygiene Society (BOHS)



Canadian Registration Board of Occupational Hygienists (CRBOH) • Conseil Canadien d'Agrément des Hygiénistes du Travail (CCAHT)



Colombian Association of Occupational Hygiene

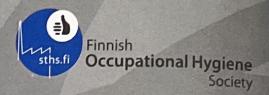


Dutch Occupational Hygiene Society • Nederlandse Vereniging voor Arbeidshygiëne (NVvA)

SOFHYT



French Occupational
Hygienists Society • SOciete
Francaisedes HYgienites
du Travail or French
Occupational Hygienists
Society



Finnish Occupational Hygiene Society • Suomen Työhygienian Seura (STHS)



German Society for Occupational Hygiene • Deutsche Gesellschaft für Arbeitshygiene, DGAH)



Hong Kong Institute of Occupational and Environmental Hygiene



Italian Industrial Hygiene Association

JAPAN
OCCUPATIONAL
HYGIENE
ASSOCIATION



Japan Association for Working Environment Measurement (JAWE)



Korean Society of Occupational and Environmental Hygiene (KSOEH)



Macedonian Association of Industrial Hygiene and Occupational Health



Malaysian Industrial Hygiene Association



Mexican Industrial Hygiene Association • Asociación Mexicana de Higiene Industrial (AMHI)



New Zealand Occupational Hygiene Society (NZOHS)



Norwegian Occupational Hygiene Association • Norsk yrkeshygienisk forening (NYF)



Occupational & Environmental Health Society of Singapore



Occupational Hygiene Society of Ireland (OHSI)



Polish Association of Industrial Hygienists • Polskie Towarzystwo Higienistów Przemys?owych (PTHP)



Southern African Institute for Occupational Hygiene -Certification Board (SAIOH-CB)

Swedish Association of Occupational and Environmental Hygiene • Svensk Yrkes- och Miljöhygienisk Förening (SYMF)

Schweizerische Gesellschaft für Arbeitshygiene du Travail

Swiss Society for Occupational Hygiene
• Schweizerischen

- Gesellschaft für Arbeitshygiene (SGAH)
 Société Suisse
- d' Hygiène du Travail (SSHT)



Taiwan Occupational Hygiene Association (TOHA)

Lifetime Achievement Award Holders



- Jeffrey S Lee
 15 September 1997
 Crans Montana, Switzerland
 - R Jerry Sherwood (Posthumously)
 11 July 2000
 Cairns, Australia
 - Berenice Goelzer
 11 June 2002
 Bergen, Norway
 - David Grantham
 11 September 2005
 Pilanesberg, South Africa
 - > Kurt Leichnitz 20 February 2008 Taipei, Taiwan

- > Brian Davies and Trevor Ogden
 30 September 2010
 Rome, Italy
 - Michel Guillemin
 18 September 2012
 Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

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