



The 4th Hazards Asia Pacific Symposium

PRESS RELEASE

International Process Safety Professionals & Experts Gather in Malaysia

Kuala Lumpur, September 26 - More than 150 process safety professionals and experts from South East Asia and the Asia Pacific regions gathered in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia this week for the Hazards Asia Pacific 2017 Symposium.

The Symposium which commenced today and lasts for three days, was officiated by En Dzafri Sham Ahmad, Vice President Group HSSE of PETRONAS who is the Guest-of-Honour.

The event, jointly organised by the Institution of Chemical Engineers (IChemE) and the Chemical Industries Council of Malaysia (CICM), will once again bring the renowned "Hazards" brand to this region and provide a platform for international process safety professionals and experts to discuss the latest developments and share examples of best practice on the challenges faced by chemical, oil & gas and food manufacturing process operations in the Asia Pacific region and beyond.

With the theme "**Process Safety: Now, More than Ever**"; the Symposium aims to convey a key message that process safety issues at a facility should continue to receive due priority despite the industry having to face diverse constraints in light of the current challenging market conditions.

Plenary sessions of the Symposium will feature an international line-up of experts from the Industry, Government and Academia who will be sharing their perspective and views on the importance of process safety:

- ❖ **Mohd Tarmizi Munir**, CEO, *Kebangangan Petroleum Operating Company (KPOC)*
- ❖ **YBhg Dato' Ir Mohtar b Musri**, Director General, *Department of Occupational Safety and Health, Malaysia*
- ❖ **Taweelarp Pornkul**, Vice President – *Process Safety & Asset Integrity, PTT Energy Solutions Company Limited*
- ❖ **John McGagh**, President of *Institution of Chemical Engineers (IChemE)*
- ❖ **Dr Luc Vechot**, Associate Professor of *Chemical Engineering, Texas A&M University at Qatar & Managing Director of the Mary Kay O'Connor Process Safety Center in Qatar*
- ❖ **Chan Yew Kai**, Deputy Chairman, *Dialog Group Berhad*
- ❖ **Alessandro Monica**, Executive Director – *Technical & Production (MY/SG), Nestle Manufacturing (M) Sdn Bhd*
- ❖ **Er Go Heng Huat**, Director, *Major Hazards Department & OSH Specialist Department, Occupational Safety & Health Division, Ministry of Manpower, Singapore*
- ❖ **Trish Kerin**, Director, *Institution of Chemical Engineers Safety Centre (ISC)*

The technical programme also comprised parallel sessions discussing best practices, latest research and lessons learned to drive the process safety agenda at all fronts; in the context of engineering & design, culture, systems & procedures and assurance.

For the first time, the Symposium on its opening day also included workshops where leading consultants (DNV GL, CGE Risk Management Solutions, DuPont and ERM) shared new and innovative ideas / tools for tackling a wide range of process safety challenges, while IChemE's interactive case study simulation session also enable delegates to immerse themselves in a process loss control situation and make critical decisions, thus experiencing the outcome of their decisions.

An exhibition is also held alongside the Symposium to showcase process safety related products and services. A welcome reception and conference banquet during the Symposium will provide further networking opportunities in a casual environment to forge closer ties amongst the delegates and speakers.

HIMA Asia Pacific Pte Ltd has come on board as Conference Partner with other major conference sponsors which included KLK Oleo, Contact Energy, Dialog, PSRG, DNV GL, Ocean Path Group, PAS, ERM, MMI Engineering and Siemens.

Released on September 26, 2017 Enclosed with this press release are the following documents:-

- Welcome Remarks by CICM Chairman
- Welcome Remarks by IChemE in Malaysia Chairman
- Speech by Conference Partner – HIMA Asia Pacific Pte Ltd
- Conference Guide
- Keynote Address by En Dzafri Sham Ahmad, Vice President, Group HSSE of PETRONAS
- Profile of CICM & IChemE

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2. **About chemical engineers**
Chemical, biochemical and process engineering is the application of science, maths and economics to the process of turning raw materials into everyday products. Professional chemical engineers design, construct and manage process operations all over the world. Pharmaceuticals, food and drink, synthetic fibres and clean drinking water are just some of the products where chemical engineering plays a central role.
3. **About IChemE**
IChemE (Institution of Chemical Engineers) is the hub for chemical, biochemical and process engineering professionals worldwide. With a growing global membership of over 38,000, the Institution is at the heart of the process community, promoting competence and a commitment to best practice, advancing the discipline for the benefit of society, encouraging young people in science and engineering and supporting the professional development of its members. For more information, visit www.icheme.org
4. **About CICM**
Chemical Industries Council of Malaysia (CICM) promotes the interest and development of the chemical industry and has affiliations with the various sub-sector chemical groups locally with a view to establish a stronger and better representation of the Malaysian chemical industry. For further information, visit www.cicm.org.my