

TRAINING & CAREER DEVELOPMENT

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ENVIRONMENTAL TRAINING

The Institute of Environmental Management and Assessment (IEMA) and City & Guilds have come together in response to growing demand by business for workforce-wide environmental training.

Developed by IEMA, and delivered through vocational-qualifications provider City & Guilds, **three training courses** have been developed. There are two formal qualifications – the first is aimed at all staff up to manager level within an organisation, while the second is targeted more specifically at managers. The third course is based on a strategy session aimed at senior executives.

According to IEMA, what sets these qualifications apart from basic environmental-awareness training is that environment is placed within a relevant business context.

The courses cover a range of easily accessible and business-applicable subjects, including the main environmental risks and opportunities facing organisations, and the importance of resource efficiency and the impact of pollution, to more strategic discussions that may affect an organisation's ability to do business in the long term.

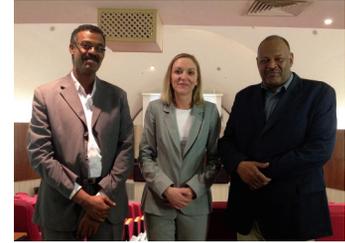
Crucially, the courses also focus on how environmental sustainability can create new sources of value. IEMA says the courses have been designed for affordability, with typical prices in the region of £150 to £500. The courses last between half a day and two days.

The Institute adds that the courses have undergone a rigorous piloting process, which involved the likes of Royal Mail and BAE Systems.

Go to www.iema.net to find out more.

TRAINING IN THE MIDDLE EAST

RRC Training Middle East (RRCME) has formed a **joint partnership with two training companies in Sudan**, Bright On Training and Accent Training Language Centre, in a bid to spread awareness of the importance of workplace health and safety and the training opportunities available in Sudan.



Together with local trainers, RRC says it has delivered the IOSH Managing Safely and NEBOSH International General Certificate courses in Khartoum. So successful is the partnership that courses can now be run by Sudanese trainers independently, adds RRC, which assists with the use of shared resources, including marketing and administration.

Further development of local trainers so they can deliver other health and safety training courses, such as the NEBOSH Oil and Gas, International Construction, and International Fire Certificates, is planned. Meanwhile, RRCME says it is supplying tutors for courses for which local trainers are not yet available, helping to achieve safer working in Sudan.

RRC has vowed to raise the bar in terms of the quality of courses in Sudan, where there are not yet any accredited NEBOSH providers, and ad-hoc courses are currently run by providers based outside the country.

For more information, contact RRC Training on +44 (0)20 8944 3100, or visit www.rrc.co.uk or www.rrc.com.bh

OPEN-COURSE TRAINING VENUES



Following its acquisition of UTN Training, AFI has expanded its training operation by launching **three**

new open-course venues in the country – London East, Liverpool and Birmingham – to complement UTN's existing Wakefield centre.

Subjects covered at all four open-course venues include health and safety, site safety, and other specialised areas.

NRSWA Street Works courses for operatives and supervisors are now being delivered at the newly refurbished London East and Liverpool venues, as well as Wakefield, where the course has been available for some time. The open courses are in addition to the range of IPAF and PASMA courses that AFI Training offers through its UK-wide network of 18 depots.

Course details and dates are available from www.utntraining.co.uk The website also has details about special offers and late deals.

GLOBALY-RECOGNISED QUALIFICATIONS

The number of NEBOSH exams being taken in India has increased by 400 per cent in just five years, according to the examinations body.

The rise in demand is being put down to increased job prospects for NEBOSH-qualified individuals in Asia and the Middle East, particularly in oil and gas, and construction.

Stuart Naylor, NEBOSH international manager, explained: "India, alongside Asia and the Middle East, has helped to establish NEBOSH as the global benchmark for excellence in health and safety – this means that an increasing amount of employers want NEBOSH-qualified staff."

NEBOSH will be exhibiting at **OSH Expo India 2013 event**, giving visitors the chance to learn more about its range of globally-recognised qualifications.

The trade exhibition is taking place at the Bombay Convention and Exhibition Centre in Mumbai, Maharashtra in India between 16 and 17 September. NEBOSH is exhibiting on stand B6. For more details about OSH Expo India, visit www.oshindia.org

WORKING AT HEIGHT

A new training course from the Ladder Association is said to be finding favour among occasional users of steps and step stools in shops, offices, schools and the health-care sector.

Delivered at the Association's approved training centres, the course covers the law, relevant standards and guidance, potential hazards, and storing and handling steps and step stools in the workplace.

It joins the Association's existing courses 'Ladders and Stepladders' and 'Ladder and Stepladder Inspection', which have seen the number of delegates increase by 47 per cent last year compared with 2011.

'Working with Steps and Step Stools' includes four assessment activities: 15 multiple-choice questions; fault-finding; hazard analysis; and carrying, positioning and stepping on to steps and step stools. Successful candidates receive a Ladder Association certificate and LadderCard.

More details can be found at www.ladderassociation.org.uk