



## **MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING between IOHA and INSHPO**

### **1. Introduction**

Representatives from IOHA (International Occupational Hygiene Association) and INSHPO (International Network of Safety and Health Professional Organisations) agree to work together and help nurture a mutually supportive relationship.

Both organisations would like to exchange ideas and viewpoints on a range of subjects, including potential areas for future bilateral co-operation. Both organisations hope this relationship will have an important and positive influence on developing a preventive culture globally.

### **2. Organisational Objectives**

#### **2.1 Aims of INSHPO**

INSHPO, established in 2001, brings together OSH professional organisations from countries around the world. The association has formulated strategic objectives that include, but are not limited to, the following:

- To further the ongoing development of occupational safety and health at a professional level
- To promote and maintain the highest standards of ethical practice in occupational safety and health.
- To promote and maintain high standards of competence in occupational safety and health.
- To further develop INSHPO's profile and influence by becoming the global voice of the generalist occupational safety and health profession.

#### **2.2 Aims of IOHA**

IOHA represents the global community of occupational hygienists. IOHA is an association of occupational hygiene (OH) organisations from across the world, all of which are dedicated to the discipline and application of the inherent principles of OH. From its creation in 1987, IOHA has grown to 42 member organisations, representing over 20,000 occupational hygienists worldwide. IOHA works to enhance the international network of OH associations that promote, develop and improve OH worldwide, providing safe and healthy work environments for all. The strategic goals of IOHA are to:

- Promote occupational hygiene
- Improve OH capabilities and practice

- Network and collaborate with other global professional organizations to expand knowledge and awareness of the OH profession and
- Increase capacity of OH professionals globally

### **3. Scope for cooperation between the two organisations**

#### **3.1 Encourage, whenever possible, collaboration at regional and international level in the fields of OH and OSH**

- Share information and research findings on the principles, policy and practice of OH and OSH.
- Collaborate to ensure of high standards of competencies in OH and OSH.
- Cooperate in developing OH and/or OSH proposals / strategies at both political and scientific levels, where this meets the objectives of both parties.
- Ensure alignment of relevant issues of interest, with a view to maintaining the highest levels of OSH professionalism and avoidance of duplication.

#### **3.2 Communication between IOHA and INSHPO**

- Each party to make available, if it should happen, to the other their respective journals, magazines and other publications free of charge, or at preferential rates.
- Each party to allow the other to use published material for which they hold copyright without further permission, but with due acknowledgements.
- Each party to promote and facilitate the sharing of good practice and tools, in particular for SME's.

#### **3.3 Collaboration in events and meetings**

- Keep each other duly informed of relevant meetings, events and activities.
- Invite key staff and members to speak or take part in, as appropriate, meetings, events and activities.
- Consider joint meetings, events and activities as appropriate.

Both organisations will endeavour to cooperate, wherever possible, on any issues relevant to OSH at a global level.

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