



Wednesday 3rd February 2010 2.00 – 4.30pm (Please note the talks start at 2.00pm!)

Main Lecture Theatre, Ground Floor, School of Electronic Engineering, Dean Street, Bangor

Health and Safety Pre Qualification Schemes (Contractors)

Matthew Southgate

Business Development Manager CHAS

&

Ian Roberts

Health and Safety Manager, Egniol

THE SPEAKERS

Matthew Southgate is the Business Development Manager at Contractors Health and Safety Scheme (CHAS), the market leader for Health & Safety pre-qualification in the UK. CHAS is a non-commercial scheme with the key aims of avoiding duplication within the pre-qualification process and improving health & safety systems of organisations. Prior to joining CHAS, Matthew has worked for a large Certification Body primarily developing bespoke certification schemes and also held various managerial roles for a large construction products manufacturer.

Ian Roberts is Health and Safety Manager for the Environmental Engineering Company Egniol which designs and project manages civil engineering works in the landfill industry. He has been in the construction industry for 14 years and a construction health and safety practitioner for the past 8 years. His advisory role for a major construction company included working on projects such as high rise residential developments, hotels, schools and hospitals. He was a member of the Core Management team for a series of school construction projects with a total value of £300 million.

THE TALKS

Each month thousands of contractors and consultants (suppliers) apply for work with public and private sector organisations (buyers). To win work, they must meet the buyer's health and safety standards. Assessing suppliers health and safety competence is usually a lengthy and time consuming process. Suppliers can sometimes meet one buyer's Health and Safety standards but not another. Being CHAS approved

reduces duplication as suppliers compliance is accepted by all CHAS buyers.

Matthew will provide an overview of the CHAS scheme and the assessment process whilst also considering how Safety Schemes in Procurement (SSIP):

- Act as an umbrella organization to facilitate mutual recognition between health and safety pre-qualification schemes wherever it is practicable to do so.
- Actively advise and influence clients about acceptable interpretation and appropriateness of health and safety competence standards in UK schemes.
- Embrace the core guidance on competence and training in the Approved Code of Practice (ACoP) of the Construction (Design and Management) Regulations 2007.

Ian will use a case study to illustrate the impact of such a policy to an organisation who decide to use a 3rd party H&S accreditation scheme and the advantages gained, both for the organization and its contractors alike.

He will be highlighting the problems they encountered in introducing and implementing the policy (the reality) and, importantly, how hurdles were overcome to get all the contractors employed by the company CHAS compliant (in practice), which the company achieved.

FURTHER INFORMATION

<http://www.ssip.org.uk/>
<http://www.chas.gov.uk/>
<http://www.egniol.com/>

Refreshments will be provided during the break.
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VENUE

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The University is signposted from the A5/55 Expressway. A location map for the School of Electronic Engineering building can be found at: <http://www.eng.bangor.ac.uk/LocationMap.pdf> position 74.

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FURTHER INFORMATION

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