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1. Quarterly Themes



Prevention of Major Accidents

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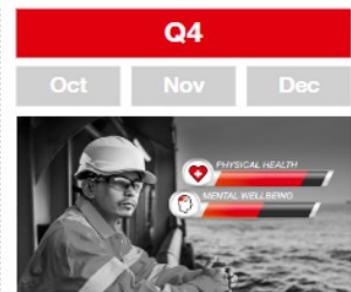
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Prevention of Personal Injury



Safe Lifting, Working at Height and Preventing Dropped Objects



Wellbeing and Work Environment

Featured Resources:



[Process Safety Fundamentals – Interactive Resource](#)



[Safety Moment – When would you shut down?](#)



[Animated Moment – Water injection over-pressurisation](#)

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1. Quarterly Theme (continued)



Prevention of Personal Injury

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Line of Fire

Keep yourself and others out of the line of fire

AVAILABLE FEATURED RESOURCES:



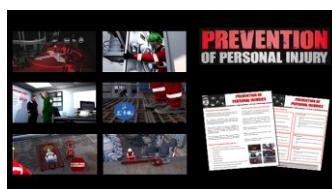
[Line of Fire Podcast](#)



[Interventions – Be open to challenging or being challenged](#)



[Dynamic Risk Assessment Poster](#)



[Prevention of Personal Injury - Resource Pack](#)



[COSHH Awareness Presentation \(TRAC\)](#)



[Situational Awareness Safety Moment \(Salos Sunesis\)](#)



[Safety Moment – Hazards & Controls](#)



Safe Space Discussion

29th May / 10:00, / Aberdeen

In this Safe Space, we will focus on a major accident that occurred in 2003 in which two lives were tragically lost. The presentation will include a video podcast filmed in 2023 about what happened from the people who were there, visuals to support the understanding of the incident, the causes of the incident, and what has been learned across the organisation and industry since. We will also concentrate on the importance of refreshing the understanding of the hazards and continuing to embed the learnings. Following the presentation there will be a Q&A session to share perspectives and experiences.

This event is viewed as a high value learning opportunity across the sector, which will only be shared with an invited audience out of the public eye of the media and press. This is the very nature of the “safe space” forum.

Target Audience:

- Managing Directors / CEOs
- Leadership
- HSE Professionals

Please confirm if a member of your team would like to attend by confirming their Name, e-mail address and role – Invites and joining instructions will be issued on confirmation aimie@stepchangeinsafety.net

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2. Safety Alerts & Moments

IMCA – Chemical Handling – Eye Burn

The Marine Safety Forum published Safety Alert 23-20 relating to someone getting an eye injury as a result of getting chemicals in their...

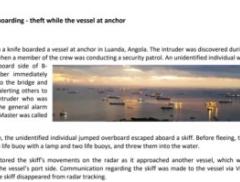
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IMCA – Security: Illegal boarding - theft while the vessel at anchor

An intruder armed with a knife boarded a vessel at anchor in Luanda, Angola. The intruder was discovered during the hours of darkness when...

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IMCA – High potential: sea water inlet pipe leakage in engine room

Vessel crew noticed seawater ingress on a pipe very close to the inside of the hull. The leak was noticed whilst the vessel was offshore...

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IMCA – Person pulled to deck by fall arrest harness

During moonpool preparations for running the a tool in the hole, the crane whip line was being lowered to deck under supervision of the...

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Safety Moment – Flexible hose whipping hazard management

This safety moment was created with the intention of raising awareness of hose whipping hazards and how they may be managed. Contained...

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Safety Moment – Water injection over-pressurization

Animated moment with voice over (MP4) This Safety Moment is based on real events that led to the over-pressurisation of a water injection...

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2. Safety Alerts & Moments (continued)

IMCA – Person struck and injured during lifting operations

The incident occurred during decommissioning activities on board a spar, where a fire water pump skid had to be removed. It was gouged out...

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Energy Safety Canada – Fingers Trapped by Winch Line

A two-person truck crew was loading a rig mat onto a Texas bed truck. An initial loading attempt was unsuccessful due to misalignment...

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Energy Safety Canada – Lithium Batteries in the Energy Sector

As the energy industry is growing and diversifying, so are its needs—and lithium batteries meet many of them. Their high energy density...

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IMCA – Crane boom collapse

The UK HSE has fined an offshore drilling company after the catastrophic collapse of a crane boom. See here for the press release. The HSE...

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IMCA – Heavy equipment fell over during manual handling

During manual handling of a heavy control cabinet, the centre of gravity was compromised, and the cabinet fell over onto a crew member's...

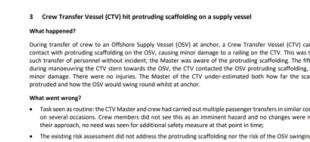
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IMCA – Crew Transfer Vessel (CTV) hit protruding scaffolding on a supply vessel

During transfer of crew to an Offshore Supply Vessel (OSV) at anchor, a Crew Transfer Vessel (CTV) came into contact with protruding...

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2. Safety Alerts & Moments (continued)

IMCA – Damage and personal injury arising from heavy weather

On a vessel waiting on weather, a watertight door in the crane pedestal from the main deck to the crane room was forced open by a large...

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IMCA – Pipeline End Manifold yoke dropped from 45° position

During adjustment of the yoke securing arrangement for a PLEM (Pipe Line End Manifold), the cargo strap failed resulting in the yoke...

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Safer Together – Operating Mobile Plant - Person in Line of Fire

A crew was installing electrical cable in a trench using specialist equipment (a 'Cable Crawler'). As they reached the end of a cable the...

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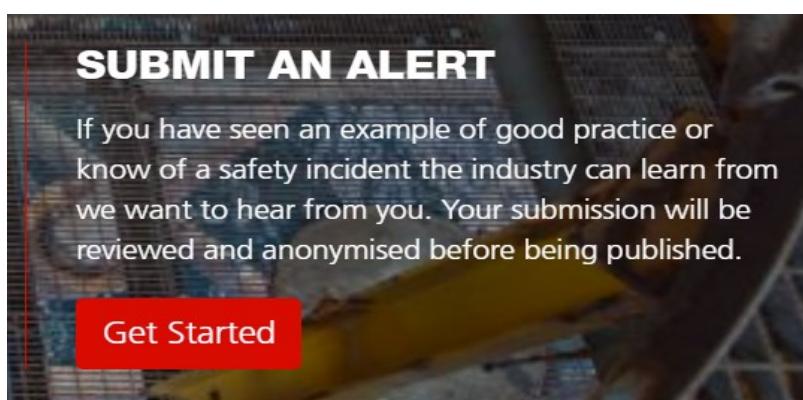
Safety Moment – Line of Fine - Hazards and Controls

Designed to create awareness and discussion around line of fire hazards and controls and how the line of fire life saving rule can be...

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Search or submit your own learnings via the [Alerts](#) and [Moments](#) page.





3. Principles of Process Safety Leadership (PPSL)



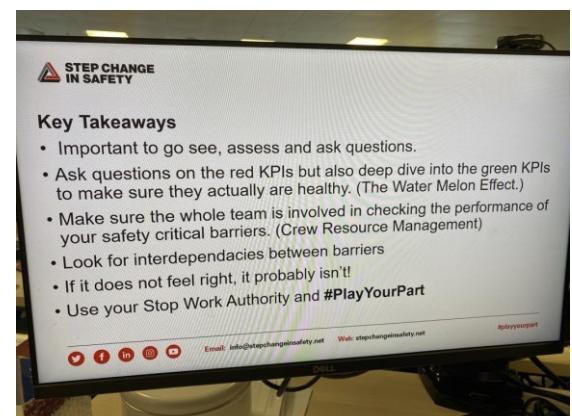
Following on from the PPSL survey undertaken by senior manager in 2023 (see report [here](#)) we are launching a survey to capture the opinions of the workforce of Process Safety management.

The survey will be launched week commencing 15th April and is aimed at worksite managers downwards. Your MDs/CEOs will be notified about the survey shortly but the details on how to access and distribute the survey will be sent to the SCIs focal points.

4. Sunday Safety Session – past and future

We were delighted to welcome over 400 participants at our first ever Sunday Safety Session on 24th March. Craig Wiggins presented on 'Weak Signals' and the agenda also included a new safety moment, a quick look at what's coming in Q2 and an interactive quiz.

The next Sunday Safety Session is scheduled for **30th June** and presentations will include Performance Influencing Factors from the Human Factors workgroup. Book your place [here](#)





5. Offshore Safety Awards



31 **Tuesday 2 July 2024** **Aberdeen Beach Ballroom**

The aim of the Offshore Safety Awards sponsored by Harbour Energy is to acknowledge, showcase and recognise the outstanding contribution that individuals, teams, and organisations make to improve safety at their worksites and across the wider industry.

The Offshore Safety Awards, jointly organised by **OEUK** and **Step Change in Safety**, is a full day, free to attend event and will include keynote presentations, panel sessions, networking, drinks reception and of course, the Offshore Safety Awards.

Categories are:

Award for Maritime Safety – *Sponsored by Marine Safety Forum*

Award for Major Hazard Awareness (new for 2024) – *Sponsored by CNOOC*

Award for Safety Representative of the Year - *Sponsored by OPITO*

Award for Sharing and Learning - *Sponsored by Spirit Energy*

Award for Wellbeing and Workforce Environment (new for 2024)

Award for Workforce Engagement

 Nominate, attend or sponsor: <https://oeuk.org.uk/event/the-offshore-safety-awards-2024/>
Submit your nomination by Friday 19 April! For further details please email events@oeuk.org.uk



6. Tea Shack News (TSN)



GOOD PRACTICE: HIGHLIGHTING OPERATIONAL RISK ASSESSMENTS (ORAS) DURING SITE INDUCTIONS



The Tea Shack News team caught up with Calum Gray, OIM on the Thistle Alpha, to discuss what best practice looks like on the platform.

"I try to meet every flight to welcome personnel coming onboard. At the welcome briefing we chat through who is onboard now, any safety incidents which may have occurred over the past 6 weeks, what's going on just now, and any incidents from other assets which we can learn from. We talk about the major accident hazards onboard and the status of the barrier model, including which operational risk assessments we have in place which can affect any of those barriers."

"By meeting every flight, I know that I have given them the information and then it's up to the crew to make best use of that. If I can't meet them, one

of the HSE coaches or the Deputy OIM does.

"The aims of our welcome briefing are to remind all oncoming personnel of the standards and behaviours expected on EnQuest assets. We talk about personal safety, environmental performance and standards, we introduce safety and environmental reps and tell them any other key information.

"We discuss the permit system and toolbox talks, chatting about best practice and then go on to look at ORAs applicable to tasks they will be carrying out.

"We focus heavily on informing people of ORAs because this is not something which should be in the background; they are things which could affect

every one of us whilst we are walking around outside on the plant. We ensure the ORA is noted against the permit – we always keep the ORA and permit numbers together. Ultimately, we want everyone to be mindful that ORAs can affect everyone, not just the job you are working on. A bigger understanding of that instils a togetherness with safety at the core and a good team spirit on the platform.

Our briefing also covers lifesaving rules and human factors; for instance if you are feeling tired, tell your work mates, look after each other and don't allow someone to undertake a high risk task if they are feeling very tired. We always reaffirm that if you are in any doubt, stop the job! On the Thistle, nothing is so urgent or important that time cannot be taken to do it safely."

WOULD YOU RATHER....BE EATEN BY A TIGER OR A LION?



It's not an easy answer. Lions generally live in vast, open plains and sleep for 23 hours a day. At the top of the food chain, lions can afford to be relaxed about where they snooze. Tourists flock on safari to see "the big 5" and lions are an easy spot.

Tigers, on the other hand, are much sneakier. They lurk unseen in thick grasslands, patiently waiting for a meal to arrive – then they pounce. Unsuspecting prey could be mere

metres from this big cat and they may never realise it – save for the slightest twitch of the grass tips. But perhaps that's just the wind?

We can think of major accident hazards in the same way. Often they're unseen, lying invisible until they manifest into, for example, a hydrocarbon release.

We need to carefully tune into weak signals to spot them e.g. a culture of non-compliance.

On the other hand, occupational safety hazards are more obvious to spot – a trailing cable or a sharp edge. They're like the lions – still harmful but more easily identified and contained.

This issue of TSN thinks about what we can all do to play our part in spotting and managing major accident hazards. Now, lions or tigers? At least lions give you a head start.



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TSN aligns with our quarterly themes .

A new feature is an online safety quiz which can be done as an individual or as a team. Why not give it a try at your next safety meeting!

Feedback from Focal Points tells us that readers would like to see more personal articles about people who work in industry.

We need you to help us find people who are willing to write articles or be interviewed. Please contact gillian@stepchangeinsafety.net for more information or to submit ideas.

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7. Events

All events can be viewed and booked via the [**EVENTS**](#) section of the website

 <p>18 April Safety Rep Forum - 18th April 09:00–16:30 Union Kirk</p>	 <p>16 May Human Factors Quarterly Forum: Leadership and Behavioural Safety 09:00–11:30 4th floor, Armen House</p>	 <p>30 June Sunday Safety Session - Q2: Prevention of Personal Injuries 15:00–15:45 Online Event</p>
 <p>02 July Offshore Safety Awards 2024 09:00–16:00 Beach Ballroom</p>	 <p>12 September Human Factors Quarterly Forum: Human Factors in Incident Investigation 09:00–11:30 4th floor, Armen House</p>	 <p>24 September Safety Rep Forum - 24th September 09:00–17:00 Union Kirk</p>
 <p>25 September OIM Event - 25th September 09:00–17:00 Union Kirk</p>	 <p>14 November Human Factors Quarterly Forum: Human Factors in Risk Assessment 09:00–11:30 4th floor, Armen House</p>	 <p>15 December Step Change in Safety Annual Quiz 15:00–16:00 Online Event</p>



7. Events (continued)


**18
April**

Safety Rep Forum - 18th April

Book your place

Union Kirk, Aberdeen, 09.00-16.00

This safety rep forum is a great opportunity to meet other safety reps, make connections and share experiences.

09.00	Registration and breakfast	
09.30	Welcome	Peter Hepburn and Stuart Watson (WEST co-chairs)
09.40	Keynote speaker	Paul Blanchard
10.40	break	
11.00	Helping to harness the human factor in toolbox talks	David Jamieson and Jared Dempsey (Human Factors workgroup co-chairs)
11.30	PPSL workforce survey	MaryAnn Rae (Empirisys)
12.00	Lifeboat Drills	Health and Safety Executive
12.30	lunch	
13.30	Barriers in bowties - workshop	Major Accident Hazard Understanding workgroup
14.30	Update on WE	WEST WG members
15.00	Kahoot quiz	
15.30	Closing remarks	Peter Hepburn and Stuart Watson (WEST co-chairs)
15.40	Drinks and networking	

Please encourage your safety reps and help make the necessary arrangements to allow them to attend.

8. Focal Point Engagement Sessions

The Q2 Focal Point Engagement session is scheduled to take place :

9:30 Wednesday 15th May @ Annan House
Agenda:

- Welcome and Introductions
- Safety Moment
- Quarterly Themes Overview and Live Feedback with Menti
- Workgroup and Project Update
- Events
- AOB

There is a remote link available on request to those who are unable to attend in person due to location based.

If you have not received your invitation to attend, require a remote link, or would like to add to the agenda, please contact aimie@stepchangeinsafety.net.

Slides and supporting material from previous sessions can be viewed in the [Focal Point Network Teams site](#).

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