



International Scientific Conference and Workshop on

Occupational Health and Safety in Formal and Informal Mining

Odense, Denmark, 22nd to 25th of August 2017

Organized by ICOH Scientific Committee on Mining Occupational
Safety and Health (SC MinOSH) and Nordic Institute for Advanced
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Objective

The scientific program will cover major topics of interest related to current research and solution implementation in occupational health and safety (OHS) in mining. The conference aims to promote the dissemination of findings from local and global research. The conference and workshop will focus on health and safety issues, the work environment, and sustainable alternatives for reducing mining-related health effects and environmental pollution. The program will encompass presentations during the conference and special training on selected topics during the workshop.

Who should attend?

This event is aimed at researchers (junior and senior); occupational health practitioners working or interested in OHS in mining (health care workers, occupational/industrial hygienists, SHEQ managers and specialists); social security managers and representatives from governmental departments, regulatory authorities, employers, employee unions, industry, academic institutions and professional societies.

Conference Topics (22nd to 24th of August)

- Surveillance, diagnosis and prevention of occupational diseases and injuries
- Occupational diseases in Mining – Noise induced hearing loss, musculoskeletal disorders, pulmonary diseases, stress, toxic effects of hazardous substances (e.g. heavy metals, chemical, dusts), cancer
- Special health issues affecting women and children in Mining – Intoxication, adverse effects on reproductive health and early-life development, child labour
- Community health – Effects of pollution and exposure to hazardous substances in mining communities, worldwide
- Working conditions and safety in formal and informal Mining
- Exposures, hazards and prevention

Workshop Topics (24th to 25th of August)

The workshops will provide in-depth information (theoretical and practical) on some of the more relevant issues in OHS in mining, by means of sharing experiences, case studies and practical guidelines for prevention.

- Pneumoconiosis
- Toxic effects of exposure to heavy metals
- Practical tools and methods for prevention

Speakers

The conference will bring together key-note speakers from universities, social partners and industry, providing opportunities for learning and sharing experiences, collaborating and networking.

Venue and Accommodation

The conference will be held in Odense, the city of the famous writer Hans Christian Andersen. Odense is located on the Island of Funen in the very center of Denmark, with enticing tourist attractions in the most beautiful natural surroundings.

The conference venue will be the Old Agricultural School, now part of the University of Southern Denmark (SDU).

Accommodation is available at the conference center, as well as in nearby hotels. The price for accommodation at the conference center, including breakfast, is as follows:

- 60€ per day, for a single room
- 110€ per day, for a double room

Should the conference participant prefer accommodation in the nearby hotels, it will be the participant's responsibility to book directly with the respective hotel. Information on nearby hotels can be found at www.trivago.dk. The Conference Organizers have made pre-reserved block bookings for delegates at Hotel Knudsens Gård, Hotel Milling Plaza and Hotel Windsor. These block bookings will be held only until 8 weeks before the conference.

The price for evening meals at the conference centre on Tuesday 22nd and Thursday 24th of August is 26€ per day.

The price for the official conference evening dinner on Wednesday 23th of August is 44€.

Social Program

The conference will coincide with the Hans Christian Andersen Festival, which is celebrated annually in Odense, where special events and entertainment can be enjoyed.

A social program will be arranged for accompanying persons, with visits to the little island of Ærø and to Funen. On Saturday participants can enjoy a post conference day on the island of Ærø guided by Erik Jørs, Chair of the Conference Organizing Committee and ICOH SC MinOSH.

For more information and prices for these leisure activities, please access www.niva.org./conference/mining.



Partial Sponsorships for Students and Young Researchers from Developing Countries

The Conference Organizers will endeavor to secure funding which will be allocated towards partial sponsorship of students and young researchers (less than 35 years of age) from developing countries, with outstanding abstracts that have been accepted for presentation. The criteria and funding amounts will be finalized and communicated in due course, during the first quarter of 2017.

Registration Fees (*)	Conference and workshop	Conference	Workshop
Early Bird registration - until May 30th, 2017:			
ICOH and ISSA Members	410€	345€	195€
Non-ICOH / Non-ISSA Members	475€	390€	255€
Developing country ICOH / ISSA Members (**)	270€	225€	135€
Developing country Non-ICOH / Non-ISSA Members	335€	270€	195€
Students (***)	245€	200€	105€
Late registration - from June 1st, 2017:			
ICOH and ISSA Members	480€	405€	225€
Non-ICOH / Non-ISSA Members	545€	450€	285€
Developing country ICOH / ISSA Members	340€	285€	165€
Developing country Non-ICOH / Non-ISSA Members	405€	330€	225€
Students (***)	300€	255€	135€

(*) Registration fees cover the access to the scientific sessions and conference material, the meals and refreshments during the conference/workshop 22nd to 25th of August (lunch and coffee breaks); and the Welcome reception at the conference venue on the 21th of August .

(**) Please access the conference website for a list of countries not considered "Developing Countries"
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(***) Students must provide a certificate/letter from their MSc/PhD supervisor as confirmation of their student status, failing which, the Non-ICOH/Non-ISSA Member registration fee will be charged.

IMPORTANT DATES

- **Registration opens and abstracts can be submitted: 2nd of January 2017**
- **Submission of Conference Abstracts - deadline: 30th of March 2017**
- **Early Bird Registration - deadline: 30th of May 2017**
- **Latest Registration - deadline: 30th of June 2017**

For more information and registration please see:

www.niva.org/conference/mining or contact:

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For enquiries about accommodation and the social program please contact the conference secretary Anette Pedersen (**anette.m.pedersen@rsyd.dk**)

Co-Organizers and Supporters

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