

Advancing Occupational Hygiene Education

Internationally on Three Fronts:

- 1) Formal Academic Program Development,
- 2) Philanthropic Grass-Roots Outreach and Collaboration, and
- 3) Structured Online Certificate Programs

This session will discuss recent advances in occupational hygiene education and training on three different global fronts. One speaker will discuss the ongoing development of international consensus standards on curriculum for formal academic college and university programs. A second speaker will provide an overview of international non-profit organizations that have collaborated in developing and delivering occupational hygiene education in areas where there is limited availability of professional training. A third presenter will provide information on the University of Illinois Chicago online program for occupational hygiene training. Three speakers talking from three different vantage points will coincide on this one very essential topic of global occupational hygiene training and education.

Development of International Consensus for Occupational Hygiene Curricula in Higher Education

Thomas Fuller (Illinois State University, USA)

Workplace Health without Borders: Global Collaboration in Occupational Hygiene Education

Marianne Levitsky (Workplace Health Without Borders/ECOH, Canada)

Delivering Occupational Hygiene Training Programs Where They Are Needed

David Zalk (University of Illinois Chicago, USA)

MODERATOR



Thomas Fuller

Dr. Thomas P. Fuller is a Certified Industrial Hygienist and Certified Safety Professional with over 39 years of experience in occupational hygiene, radiation protection, emergency planning, and infection control. He has experience in healthcare, nuclear power plants, labor organizations, biopharmaceutical labs, manufacturing, and universities. He is Professor of Occupational Safety and Health at Illinois State University. He is also the current President of the International Occupational Hygiene Association (IOHA) and Chair of the IOHA Education Committee.

SPEAKERS



Marianne Levitsky

Marianne Levitsky was the founding President of Workplace Health Without Borders, a non-profit organization that engages volunteers in promoting occupational health for workers everywhere. A senior associate with ECOH, an Ontario consulting firm, she was previously Director, Prevention Best Practices in the Ontario Workplace Safety and Insurance Board, an occupational hygienist with the Ontario Ministry of Labour, and a co-founder of the Toronto Workers' Health and Safety Legal Clinic. She is adjunct faculty at the University of Toronto and was a member of the Toronto Board of Health. Marianne has received the Hugh Nelson award for excellence in occupational hygiene from the Occupational Hygiene Association of Ontario and the Yant Award from the American Industrial Hygiene Association (AIHA). She has served as chair of the AIHA International Affairs Committee and is an AIHA Fellow and Distinguished Lecturer.



David Zalk

David M. Zalk, PhD, CIH is a former IOHA President and served as the IOHA Envoy to the WHO since 2005. David received his PhD from Delft University of Technology and MPH from UC Berkeley. Dr. Zalk is an EHS Team Leader at Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory and Director of Occupational Hygiene for the University of Illinois at Chicago's Global Certificate Program in Occupational Health Practice online. Dr. Zalk has over 50 publications and develops EHS Risk Management systems to benefit workers globally.