Where do I stand?

The NSW Resources Regulator is seeking experienced and enthusiastic presenters for its annual Mechanical Engineering Safety Seminar on 14 and 15 August 2019 at Sofitel Sydney Wentworth, Sydney. The 2019 theme is ‘Where do I stand?’.

Share your ideas and knowledge

This is an excellent opportunity for individuals to share their experience and insight and broaden industry’s knowledge on WHS issues and initiatives in mechanical engineering safety in the mining industry. Presenters will need to deliver informative, educational and practical presentations matched to audience needs and levels of experience on issues related to risks to health and safety in the mining industry and measures to control those risks.

Seminar theme

This year’s theme is ‘Where do I stand?’, which is intended as a broad theme and can apply to any aspect of mechanical engineering at mines, quarries and processing facilities. The theme can be applied retrospectively, presenting new information, or to challenge current ideas and theories.

It can be posed as a question of ‘where do I stand?’ in relation to ________, where presenters then discuss that topic. This could include broad topics such as risk management, leadership or addressing a hazard.

Examples could include:

- Where do I stand on the prevention of fires on mobile plant,
- Where do I stand on the assessment of human and organisational factors,
- Where do I stand on the adoption of class leading technology or
Where do I stand on assessing failures of engineering systems.

If you wish to discuss a potential topic, email rr.workshops@planning.nsw.gov.au

Presentation format

- Presentations need to be 30 minutes long and may involve co-presenters (please note, assistance with travel costs is limited and may not cover your co-presenter’s travel expenses).
- PowerPoint slideshows and/or other audio-visual materials such as video are welcome. Interactive, case-study based formats are also highly encouraged.

Content

- This event is intended to improve the awareness of issues that affect mechanical engineering safety within the mining industry.
- The focus of the presentation must address safety or technical issues or a specific project and its challenges and how it was dealt with.
- A presenter should identify the issue, whether it is a hazard, risk, or area of concern, and provide information that will aid the mine mechanical engineers in their understanding of that issue.
- The presentation should, if possible, provide information on potential controls that the mine mechanical engineers may consider when determining how best to control the risks associated with the issue.
- Presentations must not include brand or product promotion nor include sales pitches/messages.
- Where the solution involves a product or service, care must be taken not to denigrate other products or services. The presenter may speak to the technical merits of a particular product or service but a balanced and impartial analysis of the issues should always be given.

Submit an expression of interest

If you are interested in being a presenter, please complete an application form and send it with your attached abstract to rr.workshop@planning.nsw.gov.au no later than 5pm on Friday 3 May 2019.

More information

If you would like more information about this opportunity or have any questions, please contact Kym Thomas at rr.workshops@planning.nsw.gov.au.