

# Hazards 2018 #Haz2018

# Safety Reps @ 40: Still Vital to the Future of Safe and Healthy Work!

Programme

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> July **Delegates arrival and Registration** 13.00 - 19.30CHOOSE ONE and SIGN UP for Saturday Campaign meetings at Registration! **Evening Meal** 17.00 - 19.30**Opening Plenary in Westminster Theatre** 19.30 - 21.00Chair: Doug Russell, USDAW; opening remarks Speakers: Janet Newsham, Hazards Campaign: Welcome and Conference arrangements; Louise Taggart- Families Against Corporate Killing; Asli Odman- Istanbul Workers' Health and Work Safety Assembly; Steve Tombs- Grenfell as social murder Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> July Registration for later arrivals/non-residential delegates 07.30 - 9.00Breakfast 07.00 - 08.45 09.00 - 10.30**First Workshop Session** 10.30-11.00 **Tea/Coffee Break** 11.00 - 12.30 **Second Workshop Session** 12.30 - 14.00 Lunch

1. From menstruation to menopause! Why do we need a gender sensitive approach to occupational safety and health?

Chair: Tracey Ayton Harding, Unison Speakers: Andrea Oates, LRD; Lynsey Mann, GMB.

4 Meetings:

2. How do we challenge the consequences of privatisation, commercialisation and marketisation with the deregulation and selective enforcement of our health and safety laws?

Chair: Hilda Palmer Speakers: Steve Tombs, Centre for Crime and Justice; Neil Hope Collins, Prospect.

3. Why is transparency in the supply chain necessary in advancing the health, safety and welfare of workers both nationally and internationally?

Chair: Sara Marsden TUFB Speakers: Kathy Jenkins, Scottish Hazards; Asli Odman, Stirling Smith, GMHC

4. Is mental health a consequence of the intensification of working practices and bad management in our workplaces?

Chair: Ian Tasker, Scottish Hazards Speakers: Dan Shears, GMB; Adam Lincoln, UCU; Joan McNulty, Work Stress Network.

15.45 – 16.00	Tea/Coffee Break
16.00 – 17.30	Go to the Campaign Meeting you selected – see Room Allocation signs at Registration
19.00 - 20.30	Dinner
	Sunday 29th July

## 07.30 - 09.15

14.00 - 15.45

Clear rooms- bring cases to secure room in registration area

Breakfast

10.00 - 12.00 **Closing Plenary in Westminster theatre** Chair: Hazards Campaign: How do we ensure that Safety Reps are still vital to the future of Safe and Healthy Work! Speakers: Kevin Rowan TUC/HSE board – Safety reps @ 40; Audrey White – Why Sexual Harassment is a health and safety issue; McDonald striker/ Ian Hodson, BFAWU President - Health and Safety of precarious work. Dave Smith – Blacklist Support Group, Organising for Health and Safety. 12.00 - 13.30Packed Lunch - eat with us or take away & depart

# Saturday 28th July

#### Campaign Meetings 16.00 – 17.30 Choose ONE and then Sign up at Registration

#### 1. Climate Change and Air Pollution

Climate change threatens our life on earth, air pollution is killing 7 million people globally and 40,000 in UK. Trade Unions have a major role in the fight against climate change and air pollution and making sure it is done fairly and equitably.

Speakers: Graham Petersen, Greener Jobs Alliance; Adam Lincoln, UCU.

#### 2. Why should Trade Unions use health and safety as an organising tool?

Health and Safety is at the heart of the origins of the Trade Union Congress. Workers united to improve their health, safety and welfare at work and it continues to be the most important issue at work but what more can we do?

Chair: Janet Newsham, Speakers: Neil Hope-Collins, Prospect; Ian Hodson, BFAWU; McStriker.

#### 3. International solidarity to combat attacks on workers; lives and health

Main health and safety problems facing workers worldwide including Brexit, CETA and the alphabet soup of other toxic free trade;' treaties Developing Global Occupational Safety and Health Networks GOSH to fight back Chair: Kathy Jenkins, Scottish Hazards, EWHN; Speakers: Sarah Marsden, Trade Union Friends of Bhopal TUFB; Asli Odman, Istanbul Workers' Health and Work Safety Assembly.

#### 4. Banishing asbestos from our workplaces and communities

Update on campaigning locally, nationally and globally to get asbestos banned globally, to get asbestos removed from schools and other workplaces and for better treatment and compensation for sufferers. Chair: Philip Lewis, LHC; Speakers: Haminder Bains, Leigh Day; Graham Dring, Asbestos Support Group Forum, GMAVSG; Sophie Ward Joint Union Asbestos Committee, JUAC

#### 5. How can the law support workers improve health and safety at work?

There have been a number of significant cases in recent months. These are important in establishing and developing laws to protect and advance workers' rights. Collectively organising for safety can improve on this case law and also support their collective actions.

Chair: Barry Faulkner, Unite; Speakers: Michael Newman, Leigh Day Solicitors, Satinder Bains, Irwin Mitchell Solicitors

6. **Work-Related Death** What FACK does in supporting families after a work-death and advocating for them through the investigation, inquest and any prosecutions. Using our stories in campaigning and how supporting solicitors provide essential legal representation to ensure equality of arms at Inquests. Issues arising from Grenfell.

Chair: Hilda Palmer, FACK, Speakers: Keith Cundall, Irwin Mitchell; Others tbc.

FACK is supported by TU donations and sponsorship from Irwin Mitchell solicitors.

## Don't forget to complete an evaluation form and leave it at Registration

26<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> July Hazards 2019 at Keele University Self-address an envelope at registration to be kept informed And check on Hazards Campaign website: http://www.hazardscampaign.org.uk #Haz2019

Have a safe journey home! And use the new skills, knowledge and confidence to fight for the right to safety! **Trade Union Reps Still Vital to the Future of Safe and Healthy Work!**