

Ministry recognition for SLP

The Occupational Safety Department (OSD) of the Ministry of Manpower has recognized SLP as a professional association under its Continuing Professional Development program for Registered Safety Officers.

As members, who are also RSO's, know an RSO requires a minimum of 40 SDU's (Safety Development Units) every two years to qualify for re-registration. The OSD has recognized SLP under Category A2 (a) and (b) of its guidelines. Category A 2 covers Participation in Professional Boards, committees and Societies.

<u>Activity</u>	<u>Number of SDU's awarded</u>
Member of SLP exco.	4
SLP member	2

Members will also recall that OSD recognized our training courses on Gas, Vapour and Dust Explosions, and Electrostatic Hazards held in September 2003. Attendees who successfully completed these courses received a total of 14 PDU's.

We will be applying to OSD to recognize the course on Job Safety Analysis to be held on May 18, 2005. This course is to be conducted by Mr John Lockwood.

Similarly, we will do the same for our conference, New Initiatives in Loss Prevention, to be held on September 21 and 22, 2005.

It is our intention that OSD's recognition be obtained for all training courses, seminars, workshops and conferences that we organize.

Members who refer to the OSD guidelines on Continuing Professional Development will also note that participation in SLP's Technical Talks and Plant/site visits will earn SDU's under Category B 3.

We are naturally pleased with this recognition by OSD. Our members have, over the years, worked with OSD staff members in various committees eg. working committees of SPRING Singapore.

This recognition is a tangible "value add" to your membership in SLP. Members should therefore encourage their colleagues who are not yet members to join. Don't hesitate !

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