



Day 1 – Thursday, September 25, 2008

Session 1	0830 - 0900 Welcome and Opening Address Mike Stanczak, NSSGA Vice Chairman and Regional President – Hanson Material Service; John P. Pallasch, Deputy Assistant Secretary, MSHA
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Session 2	0900 - 1035 State of the Industry – Safety and Health, Helmut Ehnes, Moderator
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- State of the Industry in the USA
Louis Griesemer (Springfield Underground, US);
Felix Quintana (MSHA, US)
- **Helmut Ehnes** (StBG German Insurance Assn.)
- **Dr Phil Smith** (HSE/UK); **Martin Isles** (UEPG/UK)
- Australian Update
Tom Hethmon (Dyno Nobel)
- Session Summary
- Q&A

Coffee Break 1035 - 1100

Session 3	1100 – 1245 Benchmarking Injury Statistics and Best Practices Neal Merrifield, Moderator
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- Analyzing the USA Numbers—Root Causes—Best Practices
Mike Hancher (MSHA)
- Challenges in Harmonization of Data Sources
Martin Isles (UEPG/UK)
- Do Injury Reduction Initiatives Work?
Phil Smith (HSE/UK)
- Building a Safety Culture in Ireland
Pat Griffin (HSA/Ireland)
- Progress with the Hard Target Initiative in Northern Ireland
Malcolm Downey (HSENI) or **Dr Bryan Monson** (HSENI)
- Session Summary
- Q&A

Lunch 1245 - 1345

Session 4	1345 – 1525 Safer by Design – Loose Plant Louis Griesemer, Moderator
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- Setting the Scene: Users view on ISO standards
Rory Graham (IM&S Solutions)
 - **Kevin Brennan** (Caterpillar Inc)
 - **Peter Causer** (Volvo Construction Equipment)
 - **Henry Morgan** (Brigade Electronics)
 - **Allen Smith** (Marubeni-Komatsu)
 - **Mike Pankonin** (Associated Equipment Manufacturers)
- Session Summary
- Q&A

Coffee Break 1525 - 1550

Session 5	1550 – 1730 Safer by Design – Process Plant Bill Ford, Moderator
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- Setting the Scene: Users Challenge
Rory Graham (IM&S Solutions)
- Safe Crushing & Screening Plant Design
Matthew Voigt (Metso Minerals)
- Safe Asphalt Plant Design
Gil Morgan (Astec)
- Safe Cement Plant Design
L. Harvey Kirk III (MSHA)
- Onsite Explosives Mixing/Deploying
Tom Hethmon (DynoNobel)
- Summary
- Q&A

Cocktails 1830 - 1900

Dinner 1900

Keynote Address

Day 2 – Friday, September 26, 2008

Intro to Day 2: 0830 – 0840
Bill Ford (NSSGA)

Session 6	0840 - 1035 Aggregates Health & Safety in Europe Martin Isles, Moderator
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- The Sustainable Development Context
Denis Mertens (UEPG)
 - EU Priorities on Health & Safety
Antony Fell (UEPG)
 - Miro's Strategy to Enhance Health and Safety
Professor Ulrich Hahn (Bundersverband Mineralische Rohstoffe [MIRO])
 - Health and Safety Aspects of Process Plants in the Aggregates Sector
César Luaces Frades (La Federación de Áridos)
 - US Observations on current and pending EU initiatives
Kelly Bailey (Vulcan Materials)
- Summary
- Q&A

Coffee 1035 - 1100

Session 7	1045 – 1215 Contractor Competence Kevin Burns, Moderator
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- Potential Solution Sharing
 - Contractors Checklist
Anne Kelhart (Martin Stone Quarries)
 - Contractor Management Best Practices
Rory Callaghan (ISNET World)
 - MSHA's Part 46 'Training Assistance'
Ed Elliott (Rogers Group)
- Summary
- Q&A

Lunch 1215 - 1315

Session 8

1315 - 1505

Silica & Diesel: Occupational Health Challenges
Tom Hethmon, Moderator

- Silica and DPM
Kelly Bailey (Vulcan)
- Silica
Chris Findlay (MSHA)
- EU "Silica" Social Dialogue Agreement
Martin Isles (UEPG/UK)
- Diesel Particulate Matter
Bill Pomroy (MSHA)
- Manufacturers' Pollutant Release and Transfer Register Responsibilities:
Jean-Marc Vanbelle (FEDIEX)
- Summary
- Q&A

Session 9

1505 - 1535

Conference Closing Session
Antony Fell, UEPG Secretary General;
Joy Wilson, President & CEO - NSSGAClose

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www.quarry-safety.net - the Atlantic Alliance website (contact: Peter Schrandt, Helmut Ehnes)

www.nssga.org - National Stone, Sand and Gravel Association, USA (contact: Úna Connolly)

www.Safequarry.com - Sharing good practice (contact: Martin Isles)

www.uepg.eu - the European Aggregates Association website (contact: Antony Fell)