

### **IOSH Exhibition and Theatre - Liverpool**

The Association took a stand at this important show in March and give two presentations at the Spotlight Theatre. Many new contacts were made and questions asked of us.

The event will be in Glasgow in 2010 and London in 2011; it is currently planned for IRATA to participate in both.

The Association's General Meeting and an Executive Committee meeting were also held in Liverpool.



### **Wind Power – Growth and Opportunities**

Several IRATA companies are already involved in work on this sector, both onshore and offshore. IRATA is currently in discussion with the British Wind Energy Association concerning the creation of a 'Rope Access Standard for Wind Energy Work' and members will be kept in touch with progress.

Any companies working in this sector who did not respond to a recent Membership Survey on the topic are urged to do so in order for us to know the extent of our expertise in this sector and where it is based.



### **ITEC 09**

With this newsletter, or shortly thereafter, you will receive details of this significant new event that, for this year at least, replace the Lyon Symposium. The location will be the Fire Services College at Moreton-in-Marsh, Gloucester that offers the major benefit of having good quality accommodation on site in greater numbers than we shall want. This will enable delegates from home and overseas to remain together into the evenings rather than disperse to a variety of accommodation around Cumbria; there are bars and eateries sufficient for all.

The Annual General Meeting will be held at the same location and will be followed by a Technical Day and then a full-day Conference. The all in price of £310 including VAT is excellent value for money as it includes both events and accommodation and all meals. Place your order now by as numbers are limited to 135.

The Technical Day will be based, weather permitting, in the grounds where new kit will be demonstrated and tested and rope access work demonstrated on the various equipment and structures on which FSC student are tested.

The Conference features a range of IRATA speakers from around the world along with several speakers from outside the Association.

*Act quickly when you receive full details and booking instructions or go [www.irata.org/](http://www.irata.org/)*

### **New Regional Advisory Committee - Benelux**

Our sixth RAC has recently held its first meeting in Rotterdam. Under the Chairmanship of Amel Vriesman (Hertel), twelve representatives of IRATA companies in Holland and Belgium discussed a range of issues and set our plans to work together for themselves and the Association. Various marketing matters were discussed and questions raised.

### **IRATA Brochure**

A new IRATA brochure has been circulated and will be available as a pdf to members via the website. An attempt has been made to demonstrate the wide range of work we do although we are somewhat limited by the number, subject and standard of the photos we receive from members. Please bear us in mind when you have new work-related images produced and e-mail (or put on disk) any rope access images you acquire. Apart from brochures and press releases we write 15-18 articles a year all of which need illustrating.

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# IRATA NEWSLETTER

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### Membership

The following companies have joined the Association since December 2008.

Allied Training Services  
Operator and Trainer  
Aberdeen, UK  
[www.alliedtrainingservices.co.uk](http://www.alliedtrainingservices.co.uk)

AlpAccess S.R.L  
Operator  
Prahova, Romania  
[www.alpaccess.com](http://www.alpaccess.com)

BMS Environmental Service Pte Limited  
Operator  
Singapore

Formacan  
Trainer  
Mirmande, France  
[www.formacan.fr](http://www.formacan.fr)

PT Incoray Nitrama  
Operator  
Indonesia  
[www.incoray.com](http://www.incoray.com)

Rope Access Sverige AB  
Operator and Trainer  
Stockholm, Sweden  
[www.ropeaccess.com](http://www.ropeaccess.com)

Rope Task Limited  
Trainer  
West Midlands, UK  
[www.ropetask.com](http://www.ropetask.com)

Sitek Consultancy Services  
Operator  
Norfolk, UK  
[www.sitek-consultancy.com](http://www.sitek-consultancy.com)

SGS Testing & Control Services Singapore Pte Ltd  
Operator  
Singapore  
[www.sgs.com](http://www.sgs.com)

SKN Electrical Services  
Operator  
Aberdeen, UK  
[www.sknelectrical.co.uk](http://www.sknelectrical.co.uk)

Total Solutions Direct Limited  
Operator and Trainer  
Durham, UK  
[www.total-solutions-ltd.com](http://www.total-solutions-ltd.com)

Toprope GmbH Industrieklettern  
Operator and Trainer  
Switzerland  
[www.toprope.ch](http://www.toprope.ch)

Venko Offshore BV  
Operator  
Hoogeveen, The Netherlands  
[www.venko.nl](http://www.venko.nl)

Vertech Group Pty Limited  
Operator and Trainer  
Marmion, West Australia  
[www.vertech.com.au](http://www.vertech.com.au)

### Registrations

Total number of Technicians registered in 2008 calendar year

Level 1 - 4839

Level 2 - 930

Level 3 - 870

### IRATA Office change of address

We currently lease our offices in the civilian offices on the Aldershot army base. Due to reconstruction we shall be moving to new IRATA offices in July 2009. Details of the new address and telephone fax details will be circulated nearer to the date.

### IRATA Contact Details

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Replacement ID Cards and Log Books can be obtained from Karen. The costs of these are £10 for ID Card and £20 Log Book.

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