



Construction Industry Scaffolders Record Scheme Press Release

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New Oman CISRS Overseas Scaffolder Training Scheme (OSTS) Centre Opens

CISRS are delighted to announce the opening of a newly accredited CISRS Overseas Scaffolder Training Scheme (OSTS) facility in Oman.

The new centre situated in Nizwa represents a very important strategic base for scaffolding training – providing support to the major oil related industries in Oman. The project is being driven by CISRS UK Provider Safety and Access Ltd and the established Oman-based service provider, Special Technical Services (STS) through their training arm Technical Training Institute (TTI).

Following a recent CISRS accreditation visit, the new centre will be eligible to run a wide range of CISRS scaffold related training – including scaffolder operative training, scaffold inspection and scaffolding supervisor courses.

TTI has a proven track record of delivering training to multidiscipline contracting companies specialising in construction, fabrication and maintenance services for the energy and industrial sectors. Their existing training facility is large and spacious and finished to a very high specification and they are working on plans to build a brand new bespoke training facility for multi discipline trades in Oman in the near future.

CISRS Scheme Manager Dave Mosley who carried out the CISRS accreditation audit commented: “It is excellent to see Safety & Access expanding its presence in Gulf Co-operation Countries (GCC). We hope that this venture with TTI will be a great success and will continue to promote CISRS training benefits within the region. It is very encouraging to see a company willing to invest in their practical facility, I was impressed with the current set up and look forward to seeing the new centre when it is completed.”

Prior to the accreditation, a presentation was arranged with key local clients to outline present and future plans for training and support in the area. It has been a requirement with several major clients in Oman for some time that independently accredited training is adopted by contractors and this new venture provides such support.

Following the accreditation, Safety & Access Joint MD Rick Statham said: “The new centre represents a very important strategic location for us. We have been offering accredited training in the Gulf for over four years and we can see the requirement for quality training growing. It is yet another major step forward for

the clients in the region to affirm their strict requirements for high standards of safety and technical delivery with the requirement for independently accredited training in the high-risk area of scaffolding and work at height. STS' excellent centre here in Oman will greatly complement the expanding need for such support for clients and contractors across the GCC and Asia."

CISRS has received several enquiries from other parties within the region reflecting that awareness and recognition of CISRS OSTs continues to grow with clients and contractors alike.

To find out more about CISRS OSTs, the new CISRS CPD courses, obtain a copy of the CISRS CAP 609 General Information Booklet, new cards poster or to find out more about CISRS, please visit www.cisrs.org.uk or email enquiries@cisrs.org.uk.