



Construction Industry Scaffolders Record Scheme Press Release

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North-East Company Opens First Vietnamese Training Centre

Leading industrial trainer, AIS Training is expanding its global reach after opening a training centre in Vietnam.

The state-of-the-art centre, which will be run in conjunction with AIS Training's partner in the territory Black Cat Insulation Technical JSC, will offer internationally-recognised scaffolding and insulation courses.

AIS personnel carried out their own intensive seven-day audit, prior to the successful CISRS accreditation visit. The centre has now been accredited by global scaffolding body, CISRS as an official overseas scaffolder training scheme (OSTS) centre and is approved to offer a range of CISRS courses including Level 1 Scaffolder, Basic Scaffold Inspection and Scaffolding Supervisor training.

The new training centre will be used by Black Cat to upskill and improve the competencies of its own employees, as well as servicing the training requirements of the lucrative Indo-China oil and gas and construction markets.

Black Cat employs around 200 people in Vietnam and is well-recognised as a key supplier to the Indo-China oil and gas and industrial sectors providing and installing insulation, protective coatings and passive fire protection systems via scaffolding.

This move will strengthen the existing business relationship between AIS and Black Cat. Currently Black Cat acts as agent and distributor throughout Indo-China for AIS's award-winning technical insulation products, which are used to protect machinery and structures from corrosion, weather, noise and temperature extremes.

Paul Attrill, Director at AIS, said: "We are delighted to establish this new state-of-the-art training centre in Vietnam and are pleased to now be part of the CISRS Overseas (OSTS) Scheme. This is a great achievement for AIS and Black Cat in raising standards.

“Current skills training in the area adheres to local standards but there is a real drive by Black Cat to bring skills and competencies in line with UK standards – which are globally acknowledged as being the highest quality available.

“Over the past twelve months AIS Training has developed its own world-class scaffolding centre in the North of England and we intend to replicate this success in Vietnam.

“Alongside our partners Black Cat, we want to establish this new facility as a training centre of excellence in the Indo-China region where people can be trained to internationally-recognised standards.”

Dave Mosley CISRS Scheme Manager said “Congratulations to AIS and Black Cat on gaining CISRS OSTs accreditation in Vietnam. They have a great facility and with the support and expertise of AIS UK Instructors I am sure they will be very successful. The introduction of CISRS OSTs is a major step forward for the scaffolding sector in this region.

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