

## **PRESS RELEASE**

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### **CISRS OSTS CONTINUES TO THRIVE IN OMAN**

A training facility run in partnership by Safety and Access and Knowledge Grid in Oman has passed its first CISRS Overseas Scaffolder Training Scheme (OSTS) annual audit.

A steady stream of Scaffolders, Inspectors and Supervisors have successfully completed OSTS programmes at the purpose-built centre since it opened in January this year.

Courses have taken place every month this year – undertaken by close to 200 operatives in total – and a number of courses set for 2019 are already fully booked.

The bulk of the training delivered to date has been Level 1 Scaffolder plus Basic Inspection and Scaffolding Supervisors courses, however the centre is now running Level 2 Scaffolder courses and is hoping to increase its CISRS OSTS delivery to include Level 3, CPD and Systems training in Cuplok.

CISRS Scheme Manager Dave Mosley, who carried out the audit, said: "Safety and Access and Knowledge Grid have done a great job with the facility here as only 18 months ago this building was an empty shell. The newly refurbished practical area, classrooms, canteen and welfare facilities provide an excellent environment for training.

"Oman has really embraced the CISRS Overseas Scaffolders Training Scheme with three centres now operating within the region, all of which are proving very successful."

Rick Statham, Joint Managing Director of Safety and Access, said: "We are really pleased with the skills centre set up, the way that Knowledge Grid has developed their training delivery and expanded their client base. We look forward to supporting all of our partners further to promote the CISRS OSTS scheme within Oman and throughout the region."

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#### **Notes to Editors:**

The Construction Industry Scaffolders Record Scheme (CISRS) has been the industry recognised scaffold training scheme for over 40 years.

It is the preferred scaffolding qualification of all the major organisations including CSCS, NASC, HSE, Build UK, UNITE and the largest scaffold systems manufacturers.

The scheme, established in the 1960s, has 66,000+ CISRS card holders in the UK & 6,500+ OSTS card holders overseas.

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