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NASC & CISRS Exhibition Success at Health & Safety North Event in Bolton

The NASC and CISRS had a successful exhibition at the Health & Safety North event held at Bolton Arena last week (October 8-9th 2014) attracting over 130 serious enquiries on scaffolding safety, standards and training to its 16m trade stand (B16), which featured a free-standing five metre tower, built by members 3D Scaffolding of Manchester.

Three NASC staff and Simian Skills Director, Dave Randles actively promoted the work of the confederation, handed out useful scaffolding advice, promotional material and literature, and took enquiries from representatives of the construction and health and safety industries attending the event, which attracted over 2,000 visitors.

The show gave the NASC another opportunity to showcase the innovative TG20:13 tube and fitting technical guidance – with many popular live demonstrations of the TG20:13 eGuide on the stand's 52-inch plasma screen and on the eGuide Android device App, which provides a mobile, digital good practice guide for tube and fitting scaffolding.

Copies of the NASC 2014 Health and Safety Report and CISRS CAP 609 General Information Booklet were also distributed, together with over 100 recent NASC/CISRS press releases and NASC promotional publications.

Representatives of the Construction Industry Scaffolders Record Scheme (CISRS) sharing the stand were able to provide the latest information on SITS and COTS scaffolding training courses, along with information on changes to Part One, Part Two and Advanced scaffolding courses following the launch of TG20:13 earlier this year. And CISRS Training Provider, Simian Skills were invaluable in passing on the CISRS message, and benefits of TG20:13.

NASC MD, Robin James said: "This new event has been a great success in getting across the important technical and safety guidance messages of both NASC & CISRS. And being a more regional event, with a northern UK delegate base, this has been a useful exercise for us, especially in the wake of the recent publication of the first TG20:13 update, Supplement 1 & Version 1.1 eGuide – which were received very favourably, along with the new TG20:13 eGuide Android application. It was superb to see so much positive feedback on TG20:13 from a wide variety of sources too."

CISRS Training Manager, Dave Mosley added: "There was so much interest in scaffold and access training at the S&H Expo at ExCeL, and it's great to see this reflected in this smaller, but just as important regional Health & Safety North event. We are always looking for ways to widen the reach of the organisation, and keen to get our message of getting the right training across to the construction and health and safety industries, right across the UK. This event has been another successful step forward."

Health & Safety Events were first launched in 2007 and have expanded rapidly with support from the industry's leading stakeholders, such as the British Safety Council. The event organisers say: "Each event brings together the very best of the UK health & safety industry at a strategically positioned venue. Combining ease of access for the visitor with affordability and measurable ROI for the exhibitor is what makes these events so popular."

Following on from the success of this event, the NASC & CISRS will now be attending the H&S Scotland event 22-23rd April 2015 at the SECC in Glasgow.

For details about becoming an NASC member and to find out more about the NASC – the scaffold industry guidance trade body organisation – please visit www.nasc.org.uk or email: enquiries@nasc.org.uk. To obtain a copy of TG20:13, please visit www.nasc.org.uk/tg20 13.

And for further details on the Construction Industry Scaffolders Record Scheme (CISRS), please visit www.cisrs.org.uk or email enquiries@cisrs.org.uk.