



## National Access & Scaffolding Confederation & Construction Industry Scaffolders Record Scheme Press Release

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## NASC & CISRS Success at UK's Largest H&S Event, Safety & Health Expo 2016

The NASC and CISRS have exhibited successfully at the UK's largest and leading health and safety event – the Safety & Health Expo, held at the prestigious London ExCeL venue, June 21-23 – with their largest ever, 20m square stand, open on all sides, attracting hundreds of visitors over the packed three-day event.

For the third year in a row for the UK's leading scaffolding trade body and industry recognised training scheme, the NASC & CISRS stand – with its six metre tall Layher Allround system scaffold centrepiece – was stacked with enquiries on scaffolding regulation, NASC guidance and publications, CISRS CPD courses and inspection training, scaffolder training courses, the introduction of SG4:15, two years of TG20:13 and more from a wealth of industry sources, including construction, health and safety professionals, principal contractors and other attendees.

Delegates visiting the stand received advice, TG20:13 tube & fitting good practice eGuide demonstrations on the 40-inch plasma screen (and portable Android device), discussed the Construction Industry Scaffolders Record Scheme (CISRS) forthcoming introduction of CPD training courses and received copies of the latest NASC Yearbook, Safety Report, CISRS CAP 609 general information booklet and inspected the latest NASC guidance, including SG4:15 'Preventing Falls in Scaffolding Operations' and the NASC Scaffold Specification Template (free Guide To Appointing and Managing Scaffold Contractors). And NASC marketing staff were also busy distributing eco "goody bags" with pads, pens and other promotional material to stand visitors.

In addition to NASC's Safety and Technical Officer, Ken Johnson and Marketing team members, Phil Royle and Francesca Coupland, Operations Director Ian Fyall and Managing Director, Simon Hughes, of leading scaffolding sector training providers, Simian Risk Management, were on hand during the event to offer their expertise to stand visitors, which was widely appreciated.

Simian Risk Managing Director, Simon Hughes said: "The NASC stand was a huge success this year – un-missable even in the huge London ExCeL venue with a smart 6m Layher tower. There were a lot of very positive discussions on the stand, from a variety of industry sources. It's been a positive experience and a good opportunity to get safe scaffolding and up-to-date training messages across to construction, health and safety and other professionals."

NASC MD, Robin James said: "Each year this event grows and we have reflected its growth with a progressively larger – and busier – stand. This year's 20m square stand, open to the public on all four sides, proved to be the most successful to date – generating a wealth of positive promotion and a plethora of enquiries. It was particularly interesting to note the ongoing popularity of the TG20:13 eGuide in addition to the two latest free publications, SG4:15 and the Scaffold Specification Template, both of which were very well received, along with the popular NASC Yearbook and annual Safety Report."

CISRS Training Manager, Dave Mosley added: "This massive Expo has proved itself again and gifted CISRS a golden opportunity to tell the industry what's going on, especially in relation to the impending changes to courses with CPD coming into play in June 2017 and new card renewal regulations. It's also been a good opportunity to showcase our success globally, with the CISRS Overseas Training Scheme (OSTS) now hitting 4,500+ card holders and new training centres in Nepal and Nigeria in 2016. We are again very pleased to have had a presence at the Safety & Health Expo and thank all those who took the time to come and visit us to learn more about the recognised industry scaffolding training scheme."

The enormous S&H Expo event attracted 15,000+ delegates and over 350 exhibitors and also included famous keynote speeches at the linked IOSH conference from BBC Chief Reporter Kate Adie OBE, Olympic oarsman James Cracknell OBE and 'Rules of Engagement' author and ex-forces Colonel Tim Collin OBE. And there were more than 100 industry speakers addressing delegates in six theatres over the three days (adding up to 60+ hours of CPD accredited education).

The Safety & Health Expo is run exclusively with the support of IOSH, RoSPA and the BSIF, and is one of the largest events of its kind in Europe. Safety & Health Expo organisers say: "The Safety & Health Expo has established itself as the definitive UK industry event, consistently attracting health and safety decision makers from multiple sectors with responsibilities across the UK, Europe and international markets. It is designed to meet the needs of the UK and the international health and safety industry."

For details about the latest NASC Safety Guidance (SG) and Technical Guidance (TG) notes, SG4:15 free download, Scaffold Specification Template, the TG20:13 full suite and about the NASC – the UK scaffolding industry trade body, including becoming an NASC member, please visit <u>www.nasc.org.uk</u> or email: <u>enquiries@nasc.org.uk</u>.

And for a full a list of approved training providers, further details about CISRS courses, training changes in relation to CPD and following the introduction of SG4:15 and TG20:13, information and dates on courses available, or to find out more about CISRS, please visit www.cisrs.org.uk or email enquiries@cisrs.org.uk.

NASC & CISRS will be exhibiting at the SHE Expo 2017, June 20-22.