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A New CISRS OSTS Provider for Qatar

After almost 2 years since the last CISRS accreditation visit to the region, a very busy week has been rounded off by a new partnership between Simian International and Enertech Qatar resulting in a new facility opening in Doha.

The new centre will offer CISRS OSTS Level 1, Level 2, Basic Scaffold Inspection, Advanced Scaffold Inspection and Scaffolding Supervisor courses.



Dave Mosley CISRS Managing Director said "This project has been a long time in the making, due to discussions with several potential UK provider partners and then the onset of the COVID pandemic. We are very pleased to have at last had the opportunity to get out to Doha and carry out the accreditation visit. They have done a great job with the practical area and it has been fitted out with all brand-new materials".

Simian International will provide experienced qualified CISRS instructors to deliver the OSTS courses and it is envisaged that training will start in the next few weeks.

Simian International has an existing partnership in Qatar with local company QISC. They managed to keep their centre operating throughout the pandemic by introducing a strict set of COVID related RAMS and procedures, including social distancing, enhanced cleaning regimes and the wearing of masks. They successfully completed their CISRS annual accreditation audit earlier in the week and continue to deliver a range of OSTS courses both at their centre and various on-site locations across the region.



Safety and Access and Aecor International Training have just moved into a brand-new centre in the region. The paint was still drying as the accreditation visit took place on Monday. Safety and Access/Aecor have been an established CISRS provider in Qatar for several years but have just moved into a larger premises in Umm Salal Ali. The centre will offer CISRS OSTS Level 1, 2, 3 Basic and Advanced Inspection and Supervisory programmes. The centre has the potential to house 3 core scheme courses



(Level 1, 2 etc.) at anyone one time and with the additional space this could also be combined with Inspection or Supervisory training.

Dave Mosley said "We were concerned that the COVID pandemic may have had a negative effect on the OSTS scheme, however it continues to flourish in Qatar. There is a lot of work coming off in the oil, gas and energy sectors in the coming years and we will be pushing to ensure that scaffolders continue their training and assessment moving onto Level 2, 3 and 4. CISRS plans to return to Qatar in the coming months to hold a seminar for clients, contractors and government officials to promote the benefits of a trained, qualified and competent workforce"