

Newsletter – October 2018

About the Forum

The Process Safety Forum (PSF) was set-up to provide a platform whereby initiatives, best practice, lessons from incidents and process safety strategy can be distilled and shared across sectors; to influence our stakeholders (including the Regulator); and to drive the process safety management performance agenda.

Recent Activities and News

- **Joint PSF, CSF and PSMCPB Conference**
The joint conference was a great success and highlighted that the PSF has a big role to play in reaching out to businesses that have the potential to cause harm to people and the environment. An open COAMH Strategic Forum meeting will be held in early 2019 to help with outreach. See the CSF Web Community for updates [here](#).
- **Cyber Security**
Cyber security is critically important for any business. The Centre for the Protection of National Infrastructure (CPNI) has information on security and leadership available [here](#).
- **Chemical and Downstream Oil Industries Forum (CDOIF)**
Guidance on Flood Preparedness has now been published and is available [here](#). The Competent Authority has now also released its Operational Delivery Guide on flooding which includes important information on protecting people the environment and assets from the effects of flooding, it is available [here](#).
- **IOSH Update**
The Institute of Occupational Safety and Health (IOSH) is planning to launch a series of webinars in 2019 on the 20 elements of process safety. Visit the IOSH [website](#) for updates.

What's next for the PSF?

Bow ties are a popular way of explaining process hazards and risks and the barriers that can help prevent accidents. PSF is planning to develop a simple learning brief to explain the benefits and signpost further information.

Safety Messages

Recent Incidents

- Senior Executives face prosecution after a chemical release at the Arkema plant in Texas following the floods in 2017. More information [here](#).

- Two trucks have collided on a motorway bridge in northern Italy, causing an explosion and a fire that killed at least two people.

The blast, which engulfed the area with flames and black smoke, caused the bridge to partially collapse. More information [here](#).

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