



Process Safety Forum

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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

- **Better Regulation Executive (CoMAH)**

The Better Regulation Review of the chemicals (CoMAH) sector has now begun to implement the agreed changes. Further information can be found here: <http://www.hse.gov.uk/comah/ca-guides.htm>

A questionnaire will shortly be produced by the Better Regulation review team to gauge the awareness, success, and issues with the changes.

- **New CDOIF Guidance**

The Chemical and Downstream Oil Industries Forum (CDOIF) will shortly be releasing guidance on managing relationships with Third Party Inspection Bodies. PSF will release a learning brief with more information in due course.

Further information can be found here: <http://www.hse.gov.uk/aboutus/meetings/committees/cif/resources.htm>

- **PSF Website**

The website has been updated to include a page signposting useful guidance. More information can be found here: http://www.p-s-f.org.uk/?page_id=329.

What's next for the PSF?

- **Industry Guidance**

PSF members will be reviewing how they report Process Safety Performance at a sector level, so that we can gain a better understanding of how other sectors work, share ideas and best practice.

Safety Messages

Anniversaries

- It has been 10 years since Europe's worst high pressure pipeline incident at Ghislenghien, Belgium. Download a copy of our learning brief here: <http://www.p-s-f.org.uk/?p=321>

Dangers of working with large vehicles

Be aware:

- Don't put yourself in the line of fire
- Make sure drivers of large vehicles see you
- Maintain awareness of your surroundings

Valve Orientation

- Consider the implications of unusually orientated or positioned valve actuators – a Human Factors review may highlight possible improvements and reduce the risk in unplanned loss of containment.

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