

UKPIA Process Safety Leadership Commitment

As Council Members of UKPIA and representing the UK's nine oil refineries and circa fifty product terminals, we recognise the critical importance of Process Safety for all operators in the downstream oil sector.

A strong performance in this area is key to protecting people and the environment, preventing uncontrolled releases of hazardous materials, and minimising the impact should a release occur. We have always had and will continue to have Safety as our number 1 priority, both within our individual operations and at a sector level within the trade association; as an integral part of this priority we will place additional emphasis on Process Safety.

As business leaders we will foster a spirit of co-operation in pursuit of sector process safety excellence in all areas. UKPIA will be appropriately organised and resourced to deliver process safety leadership. This will include a Council level champion, accountable for leading process safety agenda items, which will be included in all Council meetings.

To facilitate the sector becoming a leader in process safety excellence, we further commit to the following:

1. UKPIA will establish and document a framework for self assessment in all key areas of process safety. This will include the technical elements of a high-performance process safety management system, the organisational issues which ensure a trained and competent workforce and the leadership and cultural aspects which help to embed process safety awareness and excellence throughout an organisation.

The process used to develop the framework will:

- Build on existing work within the sector
 - Recognise that there may be several equally relevant approaches to achieving best practice.
 - Facilitate continuous improvement over time.
2. Members will critically self-assess gaps within individual operations versus the agreed framework and subsequently develop challenging plans to address these.
 3. UKPIA will adopt both leading and lagging performance metrics to demonstrate the success of the process safety programmes. As far as possible, these metrics will be in line with common international practice.
 4. UKPIA will develop and implement an effective process for sharing of and learning lessons from relevant, high potential process safety incidents. Council members will actively champion this process within their own refining and terminal operations.
 5. UKPIA will facilitate peer to peer comparisons of performance as a driver for improvement.
 6. UKPIA recognises that many best practices outside of the sector have applicability to refining and terminal operations. We will actively engage with other sectors to seek improvement opportunities.
 7. UKPIA will enhance dialogue with key stakeholders to ensure we take proper account of their concerns.

We the undersigned make this commitment as individual Council members and on behalf of the companies we represent.

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