

Keynote speakers for the Construction Risk Management Conference announced

The fifth annual Construction Risk Management Conference is to take place on 21 and 22 August 2013, in Joburg. The theme is: The Construction Risk Best Practice; Attaining the Gold Standard.



The conference offers a platform to network, learn and participate in discussions regarding all new and developing issues surrounding risk within the construction industry with leading construction risk and insurance industry professionals. The event has been accredited with ECSA through SAAMA with two CPD credits - CPD Ref: SAAMA00607: Validation Period: 1/8/2013 to 31/7/2014 and endorsed by the Global Institute for Risk Management Standards (G31 000).

Managing construction risk revolves around managing what happens on the construction site. This conference will examine objective observations of risk that arise from field operations, from the perspective of "walking" through a job site, from equipment and material exposure to activities of subcontractors and suppliers. The event will analyse the interaction of field operations with contractual and insurance engagements and services, evolving exposure arising from technology usage, workforce demographics and reduction in the ability to transfer risks contractually taking cognisance that contractors need to remain focused on controlling costs, enhancing profits, and reinforcing relationships.

The best way to protect your business is to expand your knowledge. This event will help you to:

- Learn new key project risk forecasting survival techniques that are driving global firms;
- Keep up with the latest trends in construction risk management, insurance coverage, and the markets;
- Learn what the biggest threats to project success are and why your competitors are succeeding;
- Develop an in-depth understanding of proven risk management systems and analytics that have actually enhanced business performance;
- Gain international best practise for managing, controlling and monitoring construction project costs and cash flow;
- Ensure your compliance risk processes evolve, anticipate company growth and remain resilient; and
- Discover the benefits of leveraging technology to achieve objectives and align an organisation's risk culture to meet those goals.

Keynote speakers include:

- Bassie D Smalberger: specialist: risk management systems of Trans Africa Projects.
- Alex Dali: president of G31000 (France).
- Thabo Masombuka: CEO of the Construction Sector Charter Council.
- Brian Africa: marketing and business development executive of Performance and Custom Bonds Service (PCBS).
- Bertie Jacobs: chief technologist, line engineering services of Eskom
- Francois Joubert: national programme risk manager of Transnet Capital Projects.
- James Flint: national SHERQ advisor of SAFCEC.
- Alicia Swart: head of risk services: Africa of Turner and Townsend.

- Jonathan Ferreira: risk officer of Worley Parsons TWP.
- Gordon Howes: practice leader of Marsh Global Analytics South Africa and African Region.
- Anton du Randt: director: litigation and dispute resolution of Norton Rose Fulbright.
- Chris Nivison: renewable energy practice leader of Willis South Africa.

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