

European Union Health, Safety and Environmental Forum

The **EU HSE Forum** brings together senior-level executives responsible for health, safety and/or environmental programs at companies based or operating in the European Union. This cross-industry Forum offers members the opportunity to network and communicate with their professional peers on critical issues regarding health, safety and environment, sharing information and practical expertise in order to learn and stay abreast of recent developments. The EU Forum promotes effective HSE programs and practices in member companies' European operations.

The Forum meets in Europe twice during the year to discuss current and emerging topics, with a focus on high-level discussion, networking, sharing best practices, and exchanging critical information. Throughout the year, members maintain contact and continue their exchanges with each other on the members-only Web site, where an on-line bulletin board allows for immediate input and dialogue on "hot" issues. An on-line blog provides timely information and analysis on HSE developments. Members rely on each others' input through mini-surveys and one-on-one interactions.

Members benefit from meeting with peers who face the same challenges in similarly large, complex organizations: maintaining effective health, safety and environmental programs, keeping abreast of current legislative and regulatory actions and best practices.

Meeting agenda are developed to address members' most pressing HSE issues and concerns. Sessions include ORC-facilitated discussions, as well as presentations by members and guest speakers, with an emphasis on confidential interaction among participants. Participants hear first-hand from key European Union officials and other noted experts about pending regulatory issues that may impact their companies' HSE operations in the EU as well as globally. At every meeting, members participate in a roundtable discussion, allowing the opportunity to ask questions or share company experiences with peers.

Members represent companies from a wide range of industries operating in the EU—consumer products, pharmaceuticals, financial services, manufacturing, defense, telecommunications, automotive, and others. Members typically hold the title of Vice President, Corporate Director, or Manager. All are experienced HSE professionals who hold senior positions in their business units.

Discussions are frank and confidential. And, because the group is small (no more than 25 members), all agree to honor a code of confidentiality; members speak openly about their challenges and accomplishments, about successes and difficulties.

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Recent Agenda Topics

- Developing corporate global health & safety standards
- Return on health & safety investment
- EU health & safety issues & the regulatory scene
- Stress management in EU workplaces
- The new EU: Changing political landscape & legal & cultural implications
- Nanotechnology: Implications for corporate EHS programs
- The evolving EU chemical policy
- Injury & illness reporting in the EU
- A new paradigm for safety and health metrics: Framework, tools, applications, & opportunities
- Senior management perspectives on EHS
- REACH
- SAICM
- Energy policy

Past Guest Speakers

- Members of European Parliament
- Deputy Secretary-General, International Organization for Standardization (ISO)
- Senior Staff, European Commission
- European Agency for Safety and Health at Work
- International Labour Organization
- Central Institute for Labor Protection
- Ministry of Environment – Poland
- Trade Union Technical Bureau, European Trade Union Confederation
- European Policy Centre
- Business Europe
- CEFIC

Country Profiles™

Membership benefits include access to ORC Country Profiles™, an on-line reference which provides in-depth summaries of HSE regulatory guidelines, requirements and practices for more than 30 countries. The profiles provide information regarding local policies, regulations, standards; identification of local HSE governmental agencies and contacts; review of current and proposed legislation, and other vital information pertaining to country specific HSE requirements.

Partnerships in the EU

ORC has forged working relationships with:

- European Agency for Safety and Health at Work (Luxembourg)
- European Agency for Safety and Health at Work (Bilbao, Spain)
- The Central Institute for Labour Protection (Warsaw, Poland)
- The Keil Centre (Edinburgh, Scotland)

EU HSE Forum Staff

The Forum is led by Cord Jones, Director of Environmental Affairs for ORC Worldwide. Mr. Jones coordinates a staff of consultants, both internal and external to the company, who serve as important resources for the EU HSE Forum. The collective and individual expertise of Mr. Jones and the other consultants reflects many years of experience in private practice and in various positions within government agencies. Additionally, Mr. Jones draws upon the knowledge and expertise of consultants in the member countries of the European Union.

About ORC Worldwide

ORC Worldwide is a global consulting firm specializing in compensation and HR peer networking. Our Occupational Safety and Health and Environmental practice started in 1972 and today provides unique forums for discussion and interaction among member companies, organized by experienced professionals in various safety, health, and environmental disciplines, with access to administrators of relevant federal agencies.

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- Baxter Healthcare Corporation
- BP America Inc.
- Colgate-Palmolive Europe
- Covidien
- Cytec Industries Inc.
- Eastman Chemical Company
- Eaton Industries Manufacturing GmbH
- E. I. DuPont de Nemours & Company, Inc.
- Eli Lilly and Company Limited
- General Electric Company
- General Motors Corporation
- Goodrich Corporation
- Johnson & Johnson
- Lockheed Martin Corporation
- Mars, Incorporated Europe
- MeadWestvaco Corporation
- Northrop Grumman Corporation
- The Procter & Gamble Company
- Siemens Healthcare Diagnostics, Inc.
- TRW Automotive
- United Technologies Corporation
- Verizon Communications
- W. L. Gore & Associates

Membership Benefits

- Semi-annual meetings
- Open sharing of best practices
- Confidential, small group setting, with peer-to-peer networking
- Informal benchmarking
- European policy & legislative updates by EU officials & other experts
- Members-only Web site, including a twice monthly newsletter
- Access to ORC Country Profiles™
- On-line discussion board

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