



In support of the collective mission to promote a safe and healthy culture and eliminate incidents on construction sites in Ireland, we are pleased to offer the following ideas for your meetings and events during Construction Safety Week this year.

All programmes are suitable for operative, supervisor or management level working in construction or engineering, with facilitation tailored to suit.

### Monday 21<sup>st</sup> - Mental Health and Wellbeing in Construction

#### 'Out of Sight' **NEW**

According to the Samaritans construction workers are six times more likely to die from suicide than a fall from height. This interactive and thought-provoking session explores the risk factors associated with mental health or stress and challenges stigmas which may exist. Participants have the opportunity to understand and spot early signs in themselves and others, and learn about supports available.

**Key theme: Mental Health Awareness. Duration: 60 minutes.**

#### 'Overloaded' **OLD FAVE**

Inspired by an Irish incident our case-study explores how stress can have a negative impact on situational awareness, leading to failings in judgement and a workplace fatality. An incident involving a forklift in an overloaded warehouse has tragic consequences for a hard-working family man whose 'death has cast a shadow over the company forever'.

**Key theme: Workplace Stress. Duration: 90-120 minutes.**

### Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> - Working Safely with Electricity

#### 'Isolation' **NEW**

An interactive safety workshop focusing on mechanical and electrical hazards and fire. A distribution board incorrectly isolated leads to an explosion and dramatic consequences for those involved. In this workshop participants become judge and jury, deciding the outcome of those whose actions, or inaction, may have contributed to the incident.

**Key theme: Responsibility. Duration: 90-120 minutes.**

#### 'Below the Surface' **NEW**

A workshop about avoiding danger from underground services and the consequences when things go wrong. Set at the site of work this dramatisation highlights the risk in making assumptions and working outside the plan. Facilitation explores why well-intentioned workers can make incorrect judgements in the moment, taking or tolerating risks in the process.

**Key theme: Risk Taking. Duration: 60 minutes.**

### Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> - Working Safely at Height

#### 'In the Zone' **NEW**

A workshop focused on working at height, including tool tethering, falling objects and exclusion zones. We ask participants to undertake a live assessment of the working environment, the safe system of work and the equipment being used by our characters to ensure everyone on site stays safe.

**Key theme: Hazard Awareness. Duration: 90 minutes.**

#### 'Fallout' **OLD FAVE**

Based on an Irish incident working at height this dramatisation illustrates how the smallest action, or inaction, can have major consequences when it comes to workplace safety. Through live interaction and facilitated discussion we explore the importance of individual responsibility for safety and some of the human factors that can influence a culture of safety on site.

**Key theme: Culture. Duration: 90-120 minutes.**

### Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> - Vehicle Risk and Safety in Lifting Operations

#### 'A Safe Place?' **NEW**

This dramatisation explores safe lifting operations. Built around a real incident in which a stillage toppled and, had it fallen, would have killed anyone beneath. We have used the technical details of the incident combined with dramatic licence to create a programme which will challenge workers to ask 'what might have happened?' and critically 'how can I ensure that such an event like this never occurs?'

**Key theme: Responsibility. Duration: 90-120 minutes.**

#### 'Excluded' **NEW**

An interactive workshop focusing on people-plant interface. Set on a site within an airport this high-impact dramatisation looks at the human factors at play as our characters trouble-shoot under pressure. The safe use of MEWPs and telehandlers is explored in a busy and live environment with logistics and pedestrians to contend with. What could possibly go wrong?

**Key theme: Hazard Awareness. Duration: 75 minutes.**

### Friday 25<sup>th</sup> - Working Safely with Hazardous Substances

#### 'Think Toxic' **NEW**

A short and highly interactive workshop focusing on the dangers in working with toxic substances and the importance of correct risk mitigation and protective equipment. In 2015 a floor layer was found dead on a bathroom floor after using an adhesive containing a large amount of dichloromethane. He wore a paper mask. We focus on proactive steps that could have prevented it.

**Key theme: Hazard Awareness. Duration: 30 minutes.**

#### 'Breathless' **NEW**

In this workshop we learn about the hazards of dust inhalation and the consequences. During scripted scenarios we see behaviours that lead to non-compliance with dust control and we explore how to enhance personal responsibility for ensuring the safety of everyone on site regarding dust through interaction with the characters.

**Key theme: Responsibility. Duration: 90 minutes.**