



International Conference on Occupational Heat Stress: “Implementation of Practices, Sharing of Experiences”

9-10 May 2023, Grand Hyatt Doha Hotel - Doha, Qatar

Agenda

Day 1	
8:30 – 9:00	Registration
9:00 – 9:30	Opening session <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Remarks from H.E. Dr Ali Bin Samikh Al Marri, Minister of Labour, Qatar• Remarks from Mr Salih Ali Al Marri, Assistant Minister for Health Affairs, Ministry of Public Health, Qatar• Remarks from H.E. Khalifa Khamis Mattar Al Kaabi, Representative of the Federation of Chambers of Commerce and Industry in the UAE and member of the International Labour Organization Governing Body for West Asian countries• Remarks from Mr Bilal Malkawi, Regional Secretary, International Transport Workers Federation• Remarks from Dr Ruba Jaradat, Assistant Director-General and Regional Director for the Arab States, ILO• Ceremony to honour Qatari students’ innovative efforts in tackling heat stress• Presentation of stamps on Safety and Health, “Safety and health at work is a fundamental right and our shared responsibility”
9:30 – 9:50	Coffee break
9:50 – 11:00	Session 1: Setting the scene at the global level <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Working on a warmer planet: findings from ILO’s global report on occupational heat stress:</i> Ms Catherine Saget, Chief of Work Income and Equity Unit, ILO• <i>Occupational heat stress: What do we know and what do we need to do?</i> Dr Manal Azzi, Global Team Lead on Occupational Safety and Health, ILO• <i>Research to Change, Policy and Practice:</i> Mr Jason Glaser, CEO of La Isla Network• Q&A session <p>Moderator: Mr Abdullah Al Hajri, Director of International Cooperation Department, Ministry of Labour, Qatar</p>

11:00 – 12:30	<p>Session 2: Sharing experiences from Qatar</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Research undertaken to gather evidence needed to address occupational heat stress:</i> Dr Andreas Flouris, FAME Lab, University of Thessaly, Greece • <i>Qatar’s Occupational heat stress legislation and enforcement:</i> Mr Zayed Souhail Al Mazrooui, Head of the Occupational Safety and Health Section, Ministry of Labour, Qatar • <i>National experiences on the prevention of, and mitigation measures against heat stress related hazards:</i> Sheikh Dr Mohammed Al Thani, Director of Public Health Department, Minister of Public Health, Qatar • <i>Monitoring cases of heat stress over the years:</i> Dr Hasan Ali Kasem, Chief Medical Officer, Medical Affairs Division, Qatar Red Crescent • Q&A session <p>Moderator: <i>Dr Surya Narayanan, Health Advisor, Ashghal - Public Works Authority, Qatar</i></p>
12:30 – 14:00	Lunch
14:00 – 15:30	<p>Session 3: Sharing experiences from the Arab region</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brief interventions from government, worker and employer representatives and researchers from the region, followed by a structured panel discussion • Q&A session <p>Moderator: <i>Dr Amin Al-Wreidat, Labour Inspection & OSH Specialist, ILO</i></p>
15:30 – 16:30	Presentations in the exhibition area, networking, and bilateral meetings
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9:00 – 10:30	<p>Session 4: Sharing international experiences</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Experiences from Singapore and Southeast Asia:</i> Dr Jason Lee Kai Wei, National University of Singapore • <i>Excessive heat at the workplace: the EU case,</i> Mr David Garcia Leon, Joint Research Centre (Seville, Spain), European Commission • <i>Findings from heat stress studies,</i> Dr Vidhya Venugopal, Sri Ramachandra Institute of Higher Education and Research, India • Q&A session <p>Moderator: <i>Mr Khalil Buhazaa - Labour Affairs Department Manager, GCC Executive Bureau</i></p>
10:30 – 11:00	Coffee Break

<p>11:00 – 12:30</p>	<p>Session 5: Sharing international experiences</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Policy responses to Occupational Heat Stress at IMSS, MD.</i> Gabriel Alejandro Real Ornelas, Occupational Health Technical Coordinator, Directorate of Economic and Social Benefits, Mexico • <i>Developing an integrated protection framework to address Occupational Heat Stress in Greece,</i> Dr George A. Gourzoulidis, Measurements Centre of OHS Hazardous Agents, Hellenic Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs, Greece • <i>Prevention of Heat-related Illnesses at work in Japan,</i> Dr Seichi Horie, Department of Health Policy and Management, University of Occupational and Environmental Health (recorded intervention), Japan • Professor Dr Rajen Naidoo, Professor of Occupational and Environmental Health, University of KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa • Q&A session <p>Moderator: <i>Dr Aisha Abeid, Assistant Director- Hamad Injury Prevention Program, Hamad General Hospital, Qatar</i></p>
<p>12:30 – 13:00</p>	<p>Session 6: Closing session with summary of key findings and recommendations from the Conference</p> <p>Moderator: <i>Mr Ockert Dupper, Global Programme Manager, Vision Zero Fund, ILO</i></p>
<p>13:00 – 14:30</p>	<p>Lunch</p>
<p>14:30 – 15:30</p>	<p>Presentations in the exhibition area, networking, and bilateral meetings</p>



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