

ABOUT

International Advisory Panel for Workplace Safety and Health

As part of the reform of Singapore's Workplace Safety and Health (WSH) framework, Singapore convened an international panel of distinguished safety and health experts in 2006 to provide advice on Singapore's WSH practices and regulatory regime. The terms of reference (TOR) of the IAP are to:

- (a) Advise on significant trends and developments in industrial practices that would impact on WSH in Singapore;
- (b) Share approaches to WSH challenges in other countries that might guide Singapore's WSH development; and
- (c) Critique WSH standards, practices and the regulatory regime in Singapore and provide advice on possible improvements to bring WSH standards in Singapore to the level of leading edge country leaders.

Five meetings had been convened since its formation. The 6th meeting of IAP will be held on 28 August and 30 August 2018 at Marina Mandarin.

The meeting will discuss the draft recommendations of the WSH2028 strategic plan, which will chart out Singapore's WSH directions for the next 10 years.

The key deliverable of the 2-day meeting is a report outlining the IAP's recommendations on Singapore's draft WSH2028 strategy.



Michelle Baxter

Chief Executive Officer
Safe Work Australia

Ms Michelle Baxter has been the Chief Executive Officer of Safe Work Australia since November 2013. She brings more than 20 years of public sector experience to her positions as Member of Safe Work Australia and its subsidiary committees, Commissioner of the Safety, Rehabilitation and Compensation Commission, and as the Commonwealth representative on the Asbestos Safety and Eradication Council. Ms Baxter has worked in many senior roles across the Australian Public Service, including as Group Manager in the former Department of Education, Employment and Workplace.



Walter Eichendorf

President
German Road Safety Council (DVR)

Dr Walter Eichendorf is the President of the German Road Safety Council (DVR) and the Deputy Director General of the German Social Accident Insurance (DGUV). After his university education (physics, mathematics, astrophysics) in Bochum and Bonn, he served as a research staff member at the European Southern Observatory (1980–1983) in Geneva, Munich and Chile.

At DGUV, Dr Eichendorf is responsible for all prevention activities. He is also currently serving as Vice-president for both the Research and Prevention Culture Divisions at the International Social Security Association (ISSA). Dr Eichendorf is also a Board Member of the European Traffic Safety Council (ETSC) as well as a number of national and international advisory boards. In Aug 2014, he received the Federal Cross of Merit from the German Federal President for his work on road and work safety.

Organisers:





Marie Larue

President and CEO
Institut de recherche Robert-Sauvé en santé et en
sécurité du travail (IRSST)

After completing a master's degree in organic chemistry, Ms Marie Larue has also successfully completed master's level studies in industrial toxicology and administration, in addition to obtaining four scholarships and being the recipient of two awards. She holds the title of Certified Corporate Director since 2015.

She began her research career at Merck Frosst Laboratories Canada before dedicating herself to the field of Occupational Health and Safety.

For nearly 25 years, she became completely familiar with the Québec's Occupational Health and Safety regime in the completion of many mandates at the Québec's Commission de la santé et de la sécurité du travail (CSST). Quickly, the CSST benefited from her skills by appointing her as Regional Director, before giving her important responsibilities (policy and regulation making) in the central units.

From 2000 to 2005, Ms Larue headed the Prevention-inspection Department with determination and leadership and where, with a multidisciplinary team, she developed and implemented orientations and policies. She was also responsible for negotiating amendments to regulations with employer and worker representatives, in a labour-management context.

In 2005, she faced new challenge by assuming the responsibility for the CSST's Compensation and Rehabilitation Department whose client services generate expenditures in the order of 1.4 billion CAD per year.

In 2008, Ms Larue was appointed President and Chief Executive Officer of the Institut de recherche Robert-Sauvé en santé et en sécurité du travail.



Kevin Myers

President
International Association of Labour Inspection

Mr Kevin Myers has over 40 years of experience as an Occupational Safety and Health Labour Inspector in the UK where he has held a wide range of operational, policy and strategy posts including Chief Inspector of Construction and Major Hazards Director responsible for regulation of offshore oil and gas, onshore chemicals, explosives and mining. He was Health and Safety Executive's (HSE) Deputy Chief Executive from 2008 until retiring from HSE in 2016.

Mr Myers has been an elected Vice President of International Association of Labour Inspection since 2005. He became its Secretary-General in 2011 and has been President since 2014.



David Michaels

Professor,
Department of Environmental and
Occupational Health, Milken Institute School of
Public Health, George Washington University

David Michaels, PhD, MPH is Professor of Environmental and Occupational Health at the Milken Institute School of Public Health of George Washington University. From 2009 until January 2017, he was United States Assistant Secretary of Labor for the Occupational Safety and Health Administration, the longest serving in OSHA's history.

As Assistant Secretary, Dr. Michaels strengthened the agency's enforcement in high risk industries, improved OSHA's whistleblower protection program, promoted common sense worker protection programs and standards, expanded compliance assistance provided to small employers, improved outreach to the vulnerable populations, increased capabilities in data analysis and program evaluation.

Under his leadership, OSHA issued new standards protecting workers exposed to silica and beryllium, and new safety regulations on fall protection, confined spaces, cranes and derricks, shipyards and electricity generation and distribution. Dr. Michaels also updated OSHA's injury and illness surveillance and reporting requirements.

From 1998 to 2001, Dr. Michaels served as US Assistant Secretary of Energy for Environment, Safety and Health, charged with protecting the workers, community residents and environment in and around the US nuclear weapons complex. In 2006, Dr. Michaels was awarded the American Association for the Advancement of Science's Scientific Freedom and Responsibility Award.



Park Doo Yong

President
Korea Occupational Safety and Health Agency
(KOSHA)

Dr Park was appointed as the President of Korea Occupational Safety and Health Agency (KOSHA) on 27 Dec 2017. He is the Professor at the Department of Mechanical Systems Engineering, Hansung University but he temporarily retired from the University to move to the KOSHA.

Dr Park had served for the Director General of the KOSHA Research Institute from 2006 to 2008. He is the Immediate Past-President of the International Occupational Hygiene Association (IOHA; from 2016 to 2017), the Korean Industrial Hygiene Association (KIHA; from 2015 to 2017) and the Asian Network of Occupational Hygiene (ANOH; from 2014 to 2017).

Dr Park graduated from School of Public Health, Seoul National University and received his Doctoral degree from the School of Public Health, University of Michigan.