

Who should attend

Trade unionists, employment lawyers working in support of trade unions, and academics and students with an interest in industrial relations and labour law.

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Health and safety at work

A one day conference
Wednesday 12th June 2013
9.30am – 3.30pm
at the Diskus Room,
Unite Building,
128 Theobolds Road,
London, WC1X 8TN

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Organised by
The Institute of
Employment Rights

About the conference

The Coalition is introducing some distinctly disturbing reforms to health and safety regulation, including exempting some self employed people from health and safety law, reviewing sector specific regulations for industries such as mining, biocides and petroleum, reviewing all the Approved Codes of Practice, and reforming the law to remove employers' strict liability in claims made by injured workers.

The Government has also announced that, from April 2013, hundreds of thousands of businesses will be removed from the health and safety inspection regime. Exemptions from inspection will extend across health, education, prisons and emergency services, public transport including buses and airports, the postal service, agriculture, docks, electricity generation and 'light' manufacturing, including light engineering, plastics and rubber, printing and electrical engineering. In other words, the vast majority of UK employers will be effectively left to self-regulate.

As the wholesale withdrawal of the majority of workplaces from routine inspection and the deregulation of health and safety continues, and the HSE remains subject to funding cuts and staff shortages, where does that leave workers?

We know from the experience of the construction industry that many bosses will do all they can to avoid their health and safety responsibilities – going as far as blacklisting trade unionists who fought to secure safety at work for their members.

In many workplaces, people still face an unacceptable level of risk and sadly the numbers of injuries, illnesses and fatalities remain unnecessarily high in many industries.

This conference will provide opportunities to get the latest information about the progress of deregulating health and safety and the new inspection and enforcement regimes including those affecting Local Authorities.

Institute experts from the law, academia and trade unions will provide opinion and analysis that will help to identify how health and safety is being undermined in the workplace and the best ways in which to fight for workers' rights.

Programme

- 9.30 Registration
- 9.50 Welcome from Chair, Carolyn Jones, Director of IER
- 10.00 The practical impact of Government policy:
A view from the trenches
Simon Hestor, Prospect, HSE Branch
- 10.30 Fighting back: to 2015 and beyond
Daniel Shears, GMB
- 11.00 Questions and discussion
- 11:15 BREAK
- 11:30 Personal Injury in the Age of Austerity
Ben McBride, Thompsons Solicitors
- 12:00 Workplace Safety without Law Enforcement
David Whyte, University of Liverpool
- 12:30 Questions and discussion
- 12:45 LUNCH
- 1.45 Applying health and safety law in a casualised freelance industry
Tony Lennon, BECTU
- 2.15 Lofstedt and beyond
Steve Cottingham, O H Parsons
- 2.45 Health and safety: in a sorry state of health?
Hilda Palmer, Hazards Campaign
- 3.15 Questions and discussion
- 3:30 Close