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New head of safety and technical

IPAF has appointed Brian Parker as head of safety & technical. He joins the federation from AFI-Uplift with an official start date of October 2nd. He will report to chief executive Peter Douglas.

Parker served with the Royal Engineers for seven years as an operator of heavy equipment, and most recently was group business development manager – technical support at AFI. He brings 24 years' experience in the powered access sector to the role, having also previously held roles as national specialist training manager for HSS, while at AFI he was group health and safety manager and prior to that training manager. He is a certified IPAF, PASMA and CITB instructor, holds a diploma from NEBOSH and is a graduate member of IOSH, and a Mental Health First Aid tutor.

Peter Douglas said: "Brian's key responsibility is to ensure IPAF's resources are effectively used to raise safety standards in the powered access industry worldwide. He is the perfect fit for this role and is well known to all of us at IPAF having served on the UK Country Council and Training Committee. He has a huge amount of experience and, as anyone who has met him knows, he is very passionate about safety."

Parker added: "I am delighted to be taking up this important role for our industry. I hope to be able to use my experience and interpersonal skills to lend renewed impetus to the many safety initiatives and projects at IPAF. Key priorities will include driving forward IPAF's global accident reporting project (www.ipaf.org/accident), delivering technical guidance and developing Andy Access safety posters and Toolbox Talks to help keep powered access operations safe. I can't wait to get started."



Brian Parker

IPAF's free seminars continue

If you missed the last IPAF online safety seminar *The Future of Safe Learning*, which aired on the 15th July or just want to watch it again, it's now available on the IPAF website - www.ipaf.org/resources

Guest presenters looked at how Covid-19 has impacted training and learning in and beyond the industry, how IPAF has responded to this and how employers and operators can

utilise different technologies to continue to learn safely. Guest presenters included Kate Pasterfield, a senior leader at Sponge, an award winning digital learning agency based in the UK, and Darren Verschuren, international account director for Serious Labs, the technology company that develops Virtual Reality training solutions for the global heavy equipment industry.

Upcoming seminars include:

16th September - REDUCING ACCIDENTS THROUGH INTELLIGENCE.

December 10th - IPAF 2020 REVIEW AND WHAT DOES 2021 HOLD?

Both will start at noon UK time.

Note that they will be recorded for those in time zones unfriendly to the live presentation times, and are free to review online from the www.ipaf.org/resources page shortly after live broadcast.



FEM succeeds in bid to extend EU Stage V deadline

After four months of lobbying, the European Materials Handling Federation (FEM), its members and partners, have succeeded in gaining EU approval for its request to delay by 12 months the 30 June and 31 December 2020

deadlines regarding the production and placing on the market of non road mobile machinery fitted with transition engines between 56kW and 130kW.

IPAF, a long standing member of FEM, was involved in the discussions around the new legislation, which will affect among other things new approved maximum emissions output levels for products that include boom and scissor lifts, and welcomes the delay to the planned new deadlines, which would have required retroactive compliance.

IPAF's UK technical & safety manager Claude Dubé said: "We are pleased that the EU has heard the case being made for this delay to the new regulations coming into effect and acted accordingly. Compliance will require a certain amount of recalibration by operators and manufacturers, and with the ongoing disruption related to the global pandemic, this was creating undue uncertainty for many businesses and project managers, who will now have longer to adequately understand the implications of the new regulations and plan for their implementation in 2021."

Anyone requiring more information about the changes to the EU Stage V deadlines is invited to contact IPAF's Safety & Technical department for assistance. Please use www.ipaf.org/contact for details of how to get in touch with your nearest IPAF office or representative.



Claude Dubé

