ISO 45001: Context, Leadership, & Worker Participation



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## **Today's Speaker**



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#### Agenda

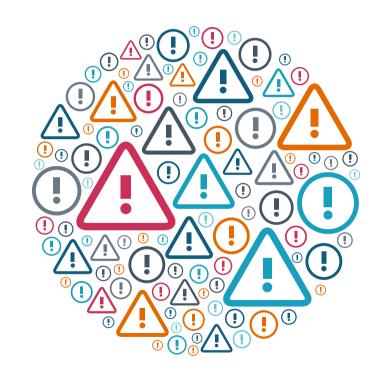
- 1. Understanding Your Organization's Context
- 2. Identifying Interested Parties' Needs & Expectations
- 3. Documenting Your Organization's Scope
- 4. Leadership & Management Responsibilities
- 5. Occupational Health and Safety Policy Purpose & Requirements
- 6. Involving Your Workforce in Your OH&S Management System
- 7. Questions?







- Understand our organization and our context
- Determine external <u>and</u> internal issues which might affect our ability to achieve the intended outcomes of our OH&S management system
- Circle of Concern\*





<sup>\*</sup>The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People by Stephen Covey

#### Intended outcomes include:

- Continual improvement of OH&S performance
- Fulfilment of legal requirements and other requirements
- Achievement of OH&S objectives





#### **Examples of External Issues**

- Culture/Society
- Politics/Laws
- Economy/Competition
- Technology/Changes
- Surroundings/Neighbors
- Suppliers/Customers

#### **Examples of Internal Issues**

- Governance/Structure
- Capabilities/Resources
- Knowledge/Competence
- Working condition
- Facilities
- Products & services

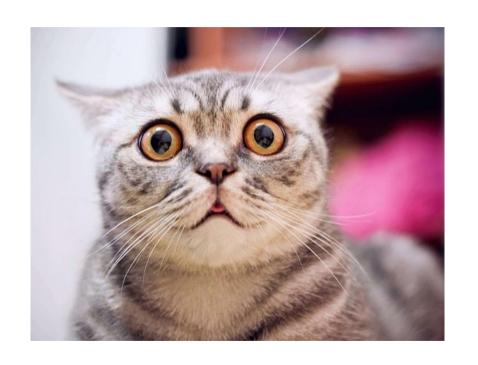






#### **Interested Parties:**

People or organizations that can affect, be affected by, or perceive themselves to be affected by a decision or activity.





#### **External Examples**

- Regulators
- Customers
- Community
- Suppliers
- Visitors/Contractors

#### **Internal Examples**

- Workers
- Corporate governance
- Owners
- Workers representatives
- Unions



- Determine the requirements of workers and other interested parties
- Decide which of these requirements are, or could become, our compliance obligations





## Scope of the OH&S Management System





#### Scope of the OH&S Management System

- Boundaries and applicability
- Consider external and internal issues
- Consider interested parties
- Circle of Influence\*

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#### Scope of the OH&S Management System

- Include current and planned work-related activities
- Ensure that the system scope includes all activities, products and services within our control or influence that can impact our OH&S performance
- Scope must be documented





#### **General System Requirement Statement**

Clause 4.4 requires that we establish, implement, maintain and improve our system in accordance with the requirements specified in ISO 45001.

Recommendation: Document and map <u>all</u> system processes, their inputs and outputs, and references to related processes, even when that documentation is not required by the standard.









#### **Top Management:**

A person or group of people who directs and controls an organization at the highest level.

Top management has the power to delegate authority and provide resources within the organization, provided ultimate responsibility for the system is retained.





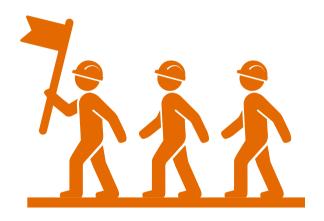
Take overall responsibility and accountability for the prevention of work-related injury and ill health.

Remember: Ill health includes adverse effects on the physical, mental or cognitive condition of a person.





- Provide safe and healthy workplaces and activities
- Ensure that the OH&S policy and objectives are established and compatible with the strategic direction of our organizations





- Ensure integration of system requirements into other business processes
- Ensure availability of resources needed to support the system
- Communicate the importance of effective OH&S management and of meeting system requirements





- Ensure that the system achieves our intended outcomes
- Direct and support others to contribute
- Ensure and promote improvement
- Support others to demonstrate their leadership





- Develop, lead, and promote a culture that supports our OH&S goals
- Protect workers from retaliation
- Ensure we establish and implement processes for consultation and participation of workers
- Support health and safety committees



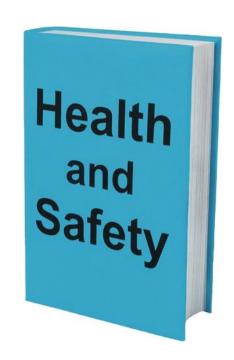






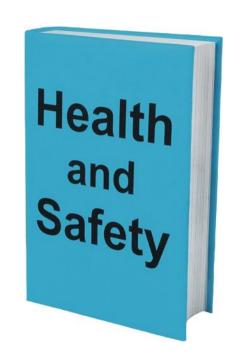
Top management needs to establish the OH&S policy including commitments to:

- Provide safe and healthy working conditions
- Prevention of work-related injury and ill health
- Provide a framework for setting the OH&S objectives





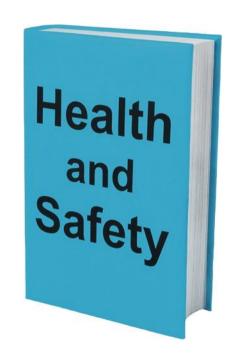
- Fulfill legal and other requirements
- Eliminate hazards and reduce OH&S risks
- Continual improvement of the system
- Consultation and participation of workers, and if applicable, workers' representatives





#### A few last requirements on the OH&S policy:

- Must be documented
- Must be communicated within the organization
- Must be available to interested parties, as appropriate
- Must be relevant and appropriate





## **Involving the Workforce**





#### Roles, Responsibilities, & Authorities

**Top management** needs to ensure that the responsibilities and authorities are assigned, communicated, and documented.

Workers at all levels need to assume responsibility for aspects of the system over which we have control.



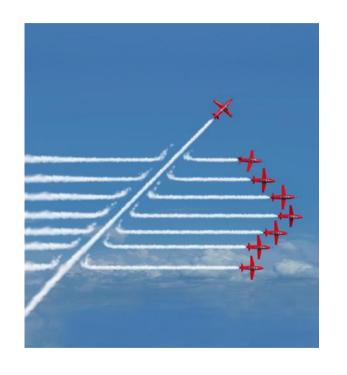


#### Roles, Responsibilities, & Authorities

**Top Management** needs to assign responsibility and authority for:

- Ensuring that the system conforms to the requirements of ISO 45001
- Reporting on the performance of our system

Ultimately top management is still accountable for the functioning of the system.





- Consultation
  Seeking views before making a decision
- Participation
  Involvement in decision-making





Establish, implement and maintain processes for consultation and participation in:

- Development
- Planning
- Implementation
- Performance evaluation
- Actions for improvement of the OH&S management system





#### As an organization you must:

- Provide mechanisms and resources fo consultation and participation
- Provide timely access to information about the OH&S management system
- Determine and remove or minimize obstacles to participation





#### Potential obstacles and barriers:

- Failure to respond to worker inputs
- Literacy or language barriers
- Retaliation or threats of retaliation
- Policies or practices that discourage participation





#### Consultation of non-managerial workers in:

- Determining needs and expectations of interested parties
- Establishing OH&S policy
- Assigning roles, responsibilities and authorities
- Determining how to fulfil legal and other requirements





- Establish and plan to achieve OH&S objectives
- Determine controls for outsourcing, procurement and contractors
- Determine monitoring, measurement, and evaluation needs
- Internal audit program planning, implementation, and maintenance
- Ensure continual improvement





Participation of non-managerial workers includes the following:

- Determining processes for consultation and participation
- Identifying hazards, assessing risks, and identifying opportunities
- Determining actions for eliminating hazards and reducing risks





Participation of non-managerial workers includes the following:

- Determining competence and training requirements and evaluation
- Determining communication needs and processes
- Determining controls measures and implementation
- Incident investigation and corrective action





## **How Can You Learn More About ISO 45001?**



### **Key Takeaways**

- The more you learn about the context of our organization, the more effective your OH&S management system will be
- Thoroughly document the inputs and outputs of all system processes, even where the standard does not require it
- The better you understand your interested parties and their needs and expectations, the better you can safeguard your own health and safety and that of others

- A thorough and detailed analysis and documentation of scope will make it easier to evaluate and manage our OH&S risks
- Top management responsibilities under the new standard are extensive and specific
- Engaging a competent and motivated workforce will lead to greater success in OH&S management and improved worker health and safety



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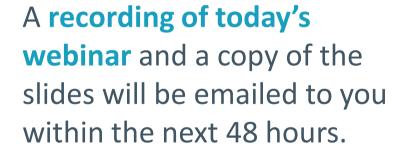


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