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Annual General Meeting 2005 Wednesday, 18th May 2005

The coming Annual General Meeting will be held soon.
Details of the AGM are as follows:

Date : Wednesday, 18th May 2005
Venue : Ocean Super Seafood Restaurant 海洋超級漁港, 佐敦道23-29號新寶廣場3字樓
(Entrance at Parkes Street)
Time : 1830 – 1900 Registration
1900 – 2000 AGM & Election of EC
2000 – 2030 Speech by Mr. K L Pang
2030 – 2200 Dinner
Fee : \$200 (Member)
\$250 (Guest)

We have 11 full members running for the 9 vacancies in the Executive Committee. Ballot has already been sent in by mail and the counting of votes will be held during the AGM. Please do turn up in time to witness the birth of the new EC who will serve the association for the coming 2 years.

The highlight of the evening will be the speech by Mr. K L Pang, Chief Occupational Safety Officer of the Labour Department.

- Do you want to know how the Labour Department will enforce the Safety Management Regulations?
- Do you want to know how the Labour Department scrutinizes our audit reports?
- How does the Labour Department think about the quality of the audit reports?
- Do you want to know when the entire 14 elements will be enforced?

Don't miss the chance! Come, listen and ask!

CPD certificates will be issued to the participating members and guests.

The ISAS with the OSHC

As you might be aware, the OSHC has been acting as the Scheme Manager for the ISAS since its establishment. ASA had to pay an annual registration fee to qualify for appointment as auditors for the ETWB and Housing Authority regular audits. OSHC had not requested for such payment for a number of years, for unknown reasons. Recently, OSHC wrote to all ASA and requested for payment of the outstanding fee for the last 3 years and the fee of the coming year.

Many ASA were unhappy with such sudden request because of the lack of communication and the absence of annual meetings which were supposed to be held by the Scheme Manager and all ASA and SAA. Upon the request of the society, the OSHC held a meeting with all ASA and SAA on 29 April 2005 and the following information were released:

1. Progress of ISAS/HASAA projects
 - ISAS - 1st & 2nd phases completed, no more projects in hand.
 - HASAS - 450 projects, 420 completed, 24 on-going, the last one is now under appointment.
2. Development of ISAS/HASAS
 - ETWB - unknown
 - HA- around 25 projects expected between 2005-2006
3. ASA & SAA List
 - ASA- 48; SAA- 42
 - All SAA will need to be updated to ASA before 1st January 2006 or removal from list
4. ASA /SAA renewal Requirement:
 - RSA from Labour Department
 - 54 CPD between 1/4/2001- 31/3/2005
 - Must have conducted one ISAS/HASAS audit each year
 - Payment of all outstanding fee and coming year
 - Permission by current employer [a must]

SASA Corner

SASA corner was successfully launched for its first time on 20th April 2005. About 20 members enjoyed this meaningful bi-monthly workshop. Most members were enthusiastic to discuss freely on the topic "The Future of ISAS Audit". The workshop gave opportunity for members to discuss and exchange valuable experience in a casual and open manner. All attendants were issued with a CPD certificate.

In order to enhance members' knowledge in perfecting safety audit as a profession, let participate to share your view and opinion. The discussion topic and the next workshop "SASA Corner" will be informed in due course.

The next one will be held on the 3rd Wednesday of an even month, i.e. 15th June 2005. Please mark this date.

SASA Webpage

SASA has updated the content of the SASA webpage, especially, the Guidance Notes for Safety Auditing. Should you have any creative suggestion or the information that you want, please feel free to let SASA know at info@sasa.org.hk.

New Members

The membership of the Society stands as follows:

Full member	:	97
Associate Member	:	32
Companion Member	:	7

The following members have recently joined/upgraded:

Mr. Lai Tai Ming - CM