



# EMS CONFERENCE 2024

**QUO VADIS:** FUTURE OF FIRE SAFETY AND THE EMERGENCY SERVICES - INNOVATIONS AND SOLUTIONS

**REGISTER TO ATTEND AND  
EARN CPD POINTS**

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**Delegate fees: R6900**

**NOTE: CHANGE OF DATE**

**21-22  
October 2024**

**Venue:**

Dräger Auditorium  
Sandton

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## About the conference

Register today to attend this exciting and informative 2-day conference - from 21-22 October 2024.

This much-needed event will provide a forum for knowledge and experience to be shared in our modernising and changing world

The conference is being organised and hosted by the Safety First Association.

Since its inception in 1932 the Safety First Association has been at the forefront of occupational health and safety and is now enjoying a prominent role in fire safety.

The conference will bring together professionals of the fire and emergency services under one roof in a packed programme of learning and sharing of information.

Attendees will leave with a wider knowledge, understanding and improved capabilities of their day-to-day worktime activities.

This conference is of interest to anyone involved in municipal, industrial and private fire and emergency services.

Attendance will also offer an opportunity for product demonstrations and networking.

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## WILL YOU BENEFIT BY ATTENDING?

# YES YOU WILL!!

The ultimate goal of every emergency service is to save lives, protect property and make their communities and working environments safer.

This conference will bring those professionals together under the same roof to help them achieve these goals.

- **Life safety:** Protecting people and animals from harm or injury
- **Property preservation:** Minimising damage to buildings, structures and contents
- **Fire extinguishment:** Quickly and effectively putting out fires
- **Emergency medical services:** Providing medical assistance and care in emergency situations
- **Hazard mitigation:** Identifying and reducing potential hazards to prevent future emergencies
- **Community education:** Educating the public on fire safety, fire prevention and emergency preparedness
- **Response efficiency:** Responding quickly and effectively to emergencies, minimising response times
- **Scene stabilisation:** Security and stabilising the scene to prevent further damage or injury
- **Investigation and analysis:** Investigating the cause of fires and other emergencies to improve prevention and response
- **Continuous improvement:** Continuously training, learning and improving skills and techniques to provide the best possible service.

**CPD POINTS WILL BE AWARDED TO PARTICIPANTS**



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## PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

**Day 1 - Monday 21 October 2024**

Time	Topic	Speaker
07:00-07:50	Registration	
07:50-08:00	Welcome/OSH Regulations etc	Leighton Bennett
1. 08:00-08:40	SAESI Past, Present and plans for the Future	Theresa Geldenhuys
2. 08:45-09:30	Modernisation of the Emergency Services	Louis Pretorius
3. 09:30-10:15	Effective risk assessments will save more than lives	Marius Atterbury
10:15-11:45	Tea break	
4. 10:45-11:30	Johannesburg inner city fires in hijacked buildings - Lessons learned	Andries Mucavele
5. 11:30-11:45	Team building for USAR effectiveness	Thabo Charles Mabaso
6. 11:45-12:30	Conveyor belt fire management within the South African Mining Industry	Willie Deysel
12:30-13:45	Lunch	
7. 13:45-14:30	Creating leading teams through training / changes to requirements	Heinrich Louw
8. 14:30-15:15	Pitfalls of modern technology - Vehicle battery and Lithium battery fires	Firebreak representative
15:15-15:30	Tea break	
9. 15:30-16:15	First responder mental health & team building through employee wellness	Riaan Janse van Vuuren
10. 16:15-17:00	Inspections, compliance and fire fighter competencies	Tibor Szana
17:00	Cocktails	

**Day 2 - Tuesday 22 October 2024**

Time	Topic	Speaker
07:55-08:00	Welcome	
11. 08:00-08:45	Prevent fire deaths through community education programmes	Fulufhelo Hendrick Sibara
12. 08:45-09:30	Can AI be used to help fight fires?	Linda Botha
13. 09:30-10:15	Climate change and wildland fires: A potential catastrophe	Trevor Abrahams
10:15-10:45	Tea break	
14. 10:45-11:30	Environmental and occupational risk factors among fire fighters	Paul Neal
15. 11:30-12:15	Fire blame game - no two fires are the same	Leighton Bennett
12:15-12:30	Closing	
12:30-13:30	Lunch	
13:30-14:45	Demonstrations and workshops	
14:45-15:00	Tea	
15:00-16:15	Demonstrations and workshops	

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# SPEAKERS - PRESENTATIONS



**Louis Pretorius**

Chief Fire Officer - Fidelity SecureFire  
Fidelity Services Group.

*Presentation title: Modernisation of EMS services and challenges.*

*Abstract:* The growth of the private fire services in South Africa including the reasons for their existence, their relevance and their professionalism. This is a growing phenomenon in South Africa that needs to be discussed.



**Thabo Charles Mabaso**

Deputy Chief: Public Information and Liaison Officer City of Tshwane Emergency Services Department

*Presentation title: Team building for USAR effectiveness*

*Abstract:* Effective response through excellent team building at international search and rescue missions such as the disasters in Pakistan, Haiti, Philippines, and Japan and the recent flooding disaster in Kwa-Zulu Natal.



**Tibor Szana**

Retired Chief Inspector DEL  
*Presentation title: Inspections, compliance and fire fighter competencies*

*Abstract:* From an inspector's perspective relating to all aspects of the emergency services - including incidents and their relevance given today's challenges and changes, such as the introduction of drones and new building structures, different materials used and soaring heights



**Marius Atterbury,**

CEO, Fire Protection Association of Southern Africa

*Presentation title: The importance of an effective risk assessment*

*Abstract:* The road to being prepared for fires and other emergencies, including possible legislative improvements.



**Heinrich Louw**

Cape Winelands District Municipality, Regional Commander Training

*Presentation title: Creating leading teams through training and changes to requirements*



**Linda Botha**

CEO Skills Train Distribution

*Presentation title: Can fires be prevented through AI?*



**Riaan Janse van Vuuren,**

Managing Director Elpis Training and Development (Pty) Ltd. Retired Manager: Sol Plaatje Emergency Services

*Presentation title: First responder mental health and effective team building through employee wellness*



**Fulufhelo Hendrick Sibara**

Vhembe District Municipality, Senior Divisional Officer, (Assistant Fire Chief), Fire Safety Section Head (SDO)

*Presentation title: Prevent fire deaths through community education programmes*



**Theresa Geldenhuys**

President SAESI  
Keynote speaker

*Presentation title: SAESI, Past, Present and Future*



*Author: Paul Neal*, Registered Occupational Hygienist, City of Cape Town.

*Presenter: Karen du Preez*, Registered Occupational Hygienist, National Institute for Occupational Health

*Presentation title: Environmental and occupational risk factors among fire fighters.*

*Abstract:* Ensuring healthy working environments in Africa through excellence in occupational hygiene while working towards the eradication of occupational diseases.



**Leighton Bennett**

Chairman Safety First Association

*Presentation title: Fire blame game. No 2 fires are the same*

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**Andries Mucavele**

Chief, Johannesburg Emergency Management Services

*Presentation title:*

Johannesburg inner city fires in hijacked buildings - Lessons learned



**Willie Deysel**

Deputy Head of Health: Occupational Hygiene  
Minerals Council South Africa

*Presentation title:*

Conveyor belt fire management within the South African mining industry



**Trevor Abrahams**

Managing Director, Working on Fire (WoF)

*Presentation title:* Climate change and wildland fires: A potential catastrophe facing South Africa

**Representative from Firebreak**

*Presentation title:* Pitfalls of modern technology - Vehicle battery and Lithium battery fires  
*Abstract:* Operating safely and effectively at emergency incidents involving hybrid electric, plug-in hybrid electric and electric vehicles

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## Delegate registration fee per person - R6900

### Delegate fee includes:

- Two (2) days attendance at the conference  
21st October 2024: Teas, lunches, refreshments and cocktails  
22nd October 2024: Teas, lunches and refreshments
- Delegate bag
- **Excludes** accommodation and travel. Reduced accommodation rates have been negotiated with a nearby hotel. Please discuss with the organisers.

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	Gold	Silver	Bronze
<b>Cost</b>	<b>R45,000</b>	<b>R30,000</b>	<b>R20,000</b>
Company profile on SFA and EMS Guide websites	✓	✓	
Front cover ad & feature article in African OS&H magazine	✓		
Website logo & link on SFA and EMS Guide websites	✓	✓	✓
Website banner advert on SFA and EMS Guide websites	✓	✓	✓
Advert in EMS Buyer's Guide (distributed at conference)	✓(FP)	✓(FP)	✓(HP)
Logos on all marketing material	✓	✓	✓
Pop-up banner in auditorium	✓		
Pop-up banner in exhibitor area	✓	✓	✓
Inserts in delegate bags	✓	✓	
Delegate registration	6	4	2

Pop-up banner (x 1)	R2,000
Inserts into delegate bags	R3,000 (non exhibitors) / R1,000 (exhibitors)
Delegate bags	R15,000 (Includes bags selected by organiser - sponsor logo in one colour)
Speaker gifts	R3,000 (excludes gifts)
Lanyards	R3,000 (lanyards supplied by sponsor)

### Exhibition stands - R10,000

Includes:

- 2 x delegate registrations
- **3 days** - 2 x conference days plus 1 x fire challenge day
- Table and 2 x chairs (Or, there will be space for gazebos)

Organiser



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# EMS CONFERENCE 2024 DELEGATE REGISTRATION FORM

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**Fees:**

R6,000.00 per person (excl vat) = Total R6,900.00 per person

**Fire Department/Organisation/Company Name** \_\_\_\_\_

Physical address \_\_\_\_\_

Postal address \_\_\_\_\_

Vat no \_\_\_\_\_

Person in charge of payment \_\_\_\_\_

Full name \_\_\_\_\_

Designation \_\_\_\_\_

Email address \_\_\_\_\_

Contact telephone number/s \_\_\_\_\_

**Delegate information**

**Delegate 1**

First name \_\_\_\_\_

Surname \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone number landline \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile number \_\_\_\_\_

Email address \_\_\_\_\_

**Delegate 2**

First name \_\_\_\_\_

Surname \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone number landline \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile number \_\_\_\_\_

Email address \_\_\_\_\_

**Delegate 3**

First name \_\_\_\_\_

Surname \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone number landline \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile number \_\_\_\_\_

Email address \_\_\_\_\_

**Delegate 4**

First name \_\_\_\_\_

Surname \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone number landline \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile number \_\_\_\_\_

Email address \_\_\_\_\_

(Please make copies for additional delegates).

An invoice for attendance will be sent once your booking has been received.

**Terms and conditions:**

**Payment** Payment is required no later than 14 days from date of invoice. No delegate will be allowed to attend if payment is not received before the conference date.

**Substitutions** Substitutions are allowed, but their names must be submitted to the organisers before the event.

**Cancellations** Written cancellations must be received more than 21 working days prior to the date of the event. Any cancellation will be liable for 50% of the event fee. Failure to cancel, or any cancellations received 21 working days or less prior to the event date will be liable for the full fee.

**Non attendance:** Please note, this does not entitle you to a refund.

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**The conference fee entitles delegates to the following:** Welcome teas, morning teas, lunches 23 and 24 July and cocktails 23 July, conference material and delegate bags. The conference fee excludes travel and accommodation.

**Liability:** The Safety First Association will not be liable for any costs, damages or expenses incurred by delegates, exhibitors, sponsors as a result of cancellation.





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## EXHIBITION STAND RESERVATIONS (BOOK EARLY - STANDS ARE LIMITED)

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### Company Name

Physical address \_\_\_\_\_

Postal address \_\_\_\_\_

Vat no \_\_\_\_\_

### Person in charge of payment:

Full name \_\_\_\_\_

Designation \_\_\_\_\_

Email address \_\_\_\_\_

Contact telephone number/s \_\_\_\_\_

### Person making booking:

Full name \_\_\_\_\_

Designation \_\_\_\_\_

Email address \_\_\_\_\_

Contact telephone number/s \_\_\_\_\_

**I wish to partake of the following sponsorship:** Indicate your preference with a ✓

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Gold	R45,000	
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