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Greetings,

As we count down to Year 2015, we take this opportunity to thank you (our clients, partners, associates and students) for all the support over the past year. Together, we have continued to develop and grow both in the consultancy and training services.

The Project team has been extremely busy with various audit and FMECA projects despite the 'low peak season' at the end of the year. The Training team has explored and developed new training locations to bring training closer to our clients and delegate base. Moreover, it has been a fruitful year where we

have exhibited at four major tradeshows OS+H Asia (Singapore), Safety & Health Expo (London), IMCA Annual Seminar (London) and OSEA (Singapore) and looking forward for our first time to exhibit at INTERSEC (Dubai) and Offshore Europe (Aberdeen) during 2015.

Exclusive for diving contractors and in house diver medic competence training, KBAT launched the **Skill Training Kit** - this kit is available for rental or purchase and aids diver medic technicians to maintain their skills competency through the continuous practice of their learnt skills while at work. Our DMAC 15 Medical Kit which has been updated is now fully compliant with the new DMAC guidance and is available for sale. We have announced the first public run scheduled dates for Inland/Inshore Commercial Diver training courses (level 1 to 4) accredited by **Ministry of Manpower (MOM) Singapore**. It is now open for registration and company sponsored delegates are also entitled to training grants. More details below.

The year 2015 will be an interesting one for our industry, there have already been substantial changes to the dynamics of the contracting environment both in Europe and Asia with companies undergoing restructuring. It is also the time to look at our personal goals and evaluate how you as an individual can improve yourself or your organisation. Development of competence and maintaining safety standards must not be compromised in market downturns - in fact it is at times like this that opportunities arise which can lead to many exciting new developments. We remain positive and are looking forward to the challenges that 2015 will bring us and are already looking at ways of how we can continue to develop, grow and make the difference in our industry today. The 'positive mind and attitude' sees the opportunity and adjusts so that the change will benefit everyone around them. As the saying goes 'Keep your face always toward the sunshine and shadows will fall behind you'.

As 2014 comes to a close and 2015 commences, KBA Group wish you a Safe, Happy, Healthy & Prosperous 2015! We hope that you find our newsletter useful and entertaining. Please feel free to contact us or join us on Facebook page for regular updates.

Yours Sincerely,

Darren Brunton

Managing Director
KB Associates Group of Companies

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About Us

KB Associates Pte Ltd (KBA) specialises in providing consultancy services to the offshore oil and gas industries and onshore terminals construction industries.

KBA consists of a group of companies, each offering specialised services to synergistically fulfill the industry as a quality "One Stop" solution provider.

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Top News

1. KBA: IMCA Diver Competency Assessments - Petrovietnam Manpower Training College (PVMTC)

KBA Training Assessor Mr. Michael Whelan photographed with Petro Vietnam Manpower Training College (PVMTC) divers. The divers have successfully completed their theory element of the IMCA Diver Competency Assessments on Thursday 11th December 2015 at the PVMTC Training Centre in Vung Tau City, Vietnam.

The twelve PVMTC divers will proceed to undergo the IMCA Diver competency practical assessments offshore in January 2015.



2. KBA: Meeting with Shanghai Salvage Corporation Management



During the week of OSEA 2014, where some of the colleagues were busy at the tradeshow. KBA office welcomed the team from Shanghai Salvage Corporation Management. It was a very productive meeting in regards to various potential consultancy project that KBA is able to support the organisation.

Keep a lookout for this development!

3. KBA Europe: Accredited by Construction Industry Training Board (CITB) to deliver safety training course.

After months of preparation, KB Associates (Europe) is pleased to announce that we are the approved training centre to deliver (CITB) safety training courses;

- [Health and Safety Awareness](#)
- [Site Management Safety Training Scheme/ Refresher](#)
- [Site Supervisors Safety Training Scheme](#)



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4. KBAT: New Diver Training Venue with SAF Yacht Club (Inland/Inshore Commercial Diving Training)

On Friday 5th December, Darren Brunton signed the contract with the Singapore Armed Forces Yacht Club (SAFYC) General Manager Mr. Koh. With the agreement, KBAT can now operate from a waterfront location to conduct the commercial diver practical training.

The facilities allow access to sheltered open water and marina berthing to launch vessels to conduct deep dive assessments within Singapore waters. The SAFYC offers a great deal of facilities to KBAT students and staff including gym, café,



restaurant, showers & laundry facilities as well as accommodation for overseas students during the course.

To recap, KBAT was awarded Accredited Training Provider ATP by the Ministry of Manpower (MOM) Singapore in August for the four levels commercial diver training courses;

- Commercial Self Contained Underwater Breathing Apparatus (CSCUBA) Diver
- Commercial Self Contained Underwater Breathing Apparatus (CSCUBA) Diving Supervisor
- Surface Supplied Diving Equipment (SSDE) Diver
- Surface Supplied Diving Equipment (SSDE) Diving Supervisor

[Register Now](#) 

KBAT looks forward to a long and successful working relationship with the SAFYC.

Our FIRST course commencing on the 19 January is already 80% booked. The official opening of the 'Commercial Diver Training Centre' will be held during January 2015.

5. KBAT: Check out our latest medical equipment



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a. Check out Updated DMAC 15 Medical Kit

The DMAC Medical Kit - equipment and accessories have recently been updated and configured in accordance with IMCA **DMAC 15 Rev.4** Guidelines. It has been designed to meet the most demanding offshore environment and medical needs. It can be provided as a complete package (subject to local drug restrictions) and/or complete with AED, O2 Provider equipment and AMBU bag. [Click](#)



IMCA Diver Medic has been pivotal in saving lives. [Click Here](#) for the flyer

b. Launch of New Service - DMT Training Kit

The KBAT DMT Skills Training Kit has been established to meet the 'on-site skills' training needs and encourage DMTs to stay current and familiar with the medical techniques that may be required in an emergency. The training manikins are provided to cover each skill set outlined in IMCA D020. It has been proven during recent accidents offshore that the

Industry & Course Updates

1. Upcoming Participating Events

a. KBA Training > Intersec Dubai 2015

Date : 18 - 20 Jan 2015
Venue : Dubai World Trade Centre
Stand No : Hall 4, Stand 4-C28

KBA Training will be exhibiting for the FIRST time at the upcoming Intersec Dubai on the 18 - 20 January 2015. The world's leading regional trade event in the security, safety and protection industries, featuring a brand profile of 5 vertical product sections: Commercial Security, Information Security, Fire & Rescue, Safety & Health and Homeland Security & Policing. It is the essential must-attend event and we are so excited to meeting you there!



Visit us at Intersec in Dubai
From January 18 - 20, 2015 | Hall 4, Stand 4-C28

2. Participated Events

a. KB Access > IES and SRAA (Design-for-Safety & Rope Access Seminar 2014)

KB Access exhibited at the Design-for-Safety & Rope Access Seminar 2014 on the 10 October 2014, held at Davan Nair Institute for Employment & Employability. It was one day seminar organised by both IES Health & Safety Engineering Technical Committee and Singapore Rope Access Association.

The seminar prepared the stakeholders for Design-for Safety (DfS) that focuses on work at height and industrial rope access;

- Gain insights from case studies of safe design for work at heights
- Get updated on the upcoming Singapore Standard on the design of active fall protection systems.
- Learn how to mitigate work-at-height risks in lifting operations.
- Get tips on what to watch out for in industrial rope access operations.



b. KBA Training > Keppel Group's Safety Convention 2014

KBA Training was honoured to be invited to exhibit at the Keppel Group Safety Convention on the 5 November 2014, held at The Star Theatre, Singapore.

During the convention, we saw all business units of Keppel Group gathered to celebrate their safety milestones and stakeholders from their varying businesses in Offshore & Marine, Infrastructure and Property were also present.



We were glad to meet the guest of honor Mr. Lee Tzu Yang, Chairman of Workplace Safety and Health Council and Keppel's senior management during their touring of the exhibitors' booth.

c. KBA Training > SRAA Seminar 2014 (Rope Access Management in Singapore)

KB Access exhibited at the Singapore Rope Access Association Seminar 'Rope Access Management in Singapore' on the 14 November 2014, held at The Chevrans, Singapore.

SRAA aims to instill good safety and health practices in the industrial rope access industry and the seminar was organised to equip participants with the basic knowledge of SS588:2013. It has been an excellent platform for all industrial rope access practitioners/ organisations/ individuals to meet up and exchange their thoughts and to be kept informed of the new WSH (Work-At-Height) Regulations 2013.



d. KBA Europe > IMCA Annual Seminar 2014

KBA Europe exhibited at the IMCA Annual Seminar 2014 on the 19 - 20 November 2014, held at The Landmark Hotel, London - UK.



Two great days of seeing friends and colleagues during the recent IMCA Annual Seminar - with over 500 delegates from all over the world - with some excellent presentations, good food and networking events. It has been one of the best IMCA annual seminars in the 14 years we have been attending!

e. KB Associates > The 20th International Oil & Gas Industry Exhibition & Conference (OSEA 2014)

KB Associates exhibited at the biennial OSEA 2014 tradeshow on the 2 - 5 December 2014, held at the Marina Bay Sands, Singapore. This year, the exhibition was larger with a total of three levels at Marina Bay Sands, showcasing the latest products/services from international exhibitors.



We saw many old friends as well as meeting many new industry associates. Definitely termed as the region's most well-attended event serving the offshore Oil & Gas market and its supporting industries.

During the four day event, there was a fun game 'KBA Snap & Win Photo contest' - visitors had to take a photo with the KBA Diver Standee, the photo was then posted on KBA Facebook Page. The contest lasted till 12 Dec 2014 and the photo with the most likes on KBA Facebook Page won a great prize.



We were pleased to announce the **GoPro Hero3 Series** camera has found its owner! Natasha who works for a company based in Singapore has won herself the Grand Prize from KBA Snap & Win Photo Contest. She visited our office to collect her prize and smiled heartily when we presented the prize to her!

3. Safety Department NEWS

a) Announcements

i) **NEBOSH Diploma** Unit A, B and D are now available as E-Learning. (*Pending Unit C*)

Distance - Hard copy book only

Combined - Distance + E-learning

Blended - Full Time one week face-to-face tuition + Distance + E-learning

[Click Here](#) to access E-Learning Portal.

b) Courses Conducted Over the Past 3 months

i) [NEBOSH International General Certificate](#) ~ 29Sep - 11Oct in Pattaya, Thailand & 10-22 Nov in Brunei



Candidates sitting their NEBOSH exam in Brunei after two weeks of intensive tuition.

KBAT held its **NEBOSH IGC** in Brunei and for the first time in Pattaya, Thailand. Here are some extracts from feedback received by the students of the course:

"Overall, course is great. Special appreciation to the instructor - Keith, for giving a push, motivation and made the discussion in the class spicy like Thai food!" - **Anonymous**

"Instructor was excellent." - **Anonymous**

"Instructor was most enjoyable and knowledgeable." - **Peter Joseph Barbara**

"The instructor mde the content very clear and made it a lot easier to learn through his teaching methods." - **Daniel Fraser**

The next training dates and location have been scheduled: Singapore on 5 - 17 January; Bali, Indonesia on 19 - 31 January; Bandung, Indonesia on 02 - 14 March and Brunei on 6 - 18 April 2015. [Click Here](#) for the flyer.

ii) [NEBOSH International Technical Certificate in Oil & Gas Operational Safety](#) ~ 11 - 15 Oct in Aberdeen - UK, 13 - 18 Oct and 3 - 8 Nov in Bali - Indonesia.



Some of the Feedback gathered:

"I wish to express my happiness and satisfaction to KBA Training for their high level of professionalism throughout the period of my NEBOSH studies and mastery in the subject. KBA Training for sure will need to be experienced by so many Nigerians hungry for quality training like yours. The market is really large in Nigeria." - **Paul Kelechi**

"Relevant and practical industry experience linked to information provided. Melissa provided excellent practical knowledge." - **John Skalij**

This popular NEBOSH Oil & Gas training dates and locations have been scheduled: Dubai, UAE (**new venue**) on 28 February - 5 March; Darwin, Australia (**new venue**) on 6 - 10 April; Aberdeen, UK on 26 - 31 January; Bali, Indonesia 2 - 7 Feb; Bandung, Indonesia on 16 - 21 March; Singapore on 4 - 9 May 2015. [Click Here](#) for the flyer.

iii) [NEBOSH Certificate in Environmental Management](#) ~ 27 - 31 Oct in Brunei



KBAT held its **NEBOSH Certificate in Environmental Management** for the first time in Brunei. Candidates were ecstatic upon having completed their written examination after a week of intensive full time study. Feedback from the course:

"The contents are detailed, easy to understand and interesting."-**Hjh Rosmawati**

The next training dates and location have been scheduled: Brunei on 3 - 8 August; Singapore on 23 - 28 November 2015. [Click](#)

[Here](#) for the flyer.

iv) [IOSH Managing Safely](#) ~ 29 Sep - 1 Oct in Singapore and 15 - 17 Dec for Hydratight in Singapore



KBAT has delivered an in-company IOSH Managing Safely course for **Hydratight** in Singapore and Australia as well as a recently run public class. Some of the feedback gathered:

"Not formal. It was made as enjoyable as possible." - **Jonathan Bullock**

"The course is relevant and job specific. Provides an overview of managing Health & Safety in the UK without too much unnecessary details." - **William Flo**

The next training has been scheduled in Singapore on 12 - 14 January or Aberdeen, UK on 27 - 29 April 2015. [Click Here](#) for the flyer.

v) [IOSH Accident Investigation](#) ~ 17 - 18 Nov 2014 in Singapore



After two days of intensive (but fun training) using 4P's, 5 why's, Bowtie, RCA and SMART objectives, the candidates on the IOSH Accident Investigation course held on 17-18 November 2014 in Singapore proudly present their investigative findings. And the methodology works as every group got the same learning outcomes!

This is a useful hands-on course for any manager in any industry wishing to prevent recurring incidents or improve safety standards.

The next training has been scheduled in Brunei on 26 - 27 January; Aberdeen, U.K. on 10 - 11 March; Singapore on 27 - 28 April 2015. [Click Here](#) for the flyer.

4. Diving Department NEWS

a) Announcements

i) Ministry of Manpower Accredited Commercial Diver and Supervisor Training ~ NEW Launch (First public-run scheduled date)

We are pleased to announce the first public run scheduled dates for commercial diver and supervisor diving training in Singapore that is in accordance to national standards approved by Ministry of Manpower (MOM) Singapore and endorsed by Commercial Diving Association Singapore (CDAS). Practical training will be held at SAF Yacht Club in Changi.

Schedules as follows

- **Commercial Self Contained Underwater Breathing Apparatus (CSCUBA) Diver: 19 Jan - 13 Feb 2015, S\$5450**
- **Surface Supplied Diving Equipment (SSDE) Diver: 23 Feb - 01 Apr 2015, S\$6000**
- **Inland/Inshore Diving Supervisor): 13 - 17 Apr 2015, S\$2200**

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'First Commercial Diving School in Asia'

LEVEL 1 Commercial Self Contained Underwater Breathing Apparatus (CSCUBA) Diver

LEVEL 2 Surface Supplied Diving Equipment (SSDE) Diver

LEVEL 3 Commercial Self Contained Underwater Breathing Apparatus (CSCUBA) Diving Supervisor

LEVEL 4 Inland / Inshore Diving Supervisor

The infographic shows a progression of four levels of commercial diving training. Level 1 is CSCUBA Diver, Level 2 is SSDE Diver, Level 3 is CSCUBA Diving Supervisor, and Level 4 is Inland/Inshore Diving Supervisor. Each level is accompanied by a small image of a diver or supervisor in action.

* Company sponsored delegates can tap on a training grant for local commercial divers (up to 70% of course fee, capped at S\$3,500/pax/course) for Level 1 and Level 2. [Contact us](#) for more information.

b) Courses Conducted Over the Past 3 months

i) [IMCA Trainee AIR Diving Supervisor](#) ~ 10 - 15 Nov in Lake Charles, US and 23 - 27 Nov in Dubai, UAE



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"The course book has lots of exercise, covers chapters very well." - **Rashed Alghafli**

"The audio visual course materials was very informative. Course was run very efficiently." -

Onkar Sharma

"Having time to learn and not mixed with work. Working through the math to the point of understanding was the most rewarding part. Valuable learning - Thanks for making it available." - **Jon Sears**

KBA Training held the **IMCA Trainee AIR Diving Supervisor** in Lake Charles, US and for the first time in Dubai, UAE. Feedback from the course:

"Small group and very knowledgeable tutor." - **Ossie Brown**

"The whole course was beyond expectation." - **George**

This next training is scheduled in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia on 17 - 21 February; New Delhi, India on 10 - 14 March 2015. [Click Here](#) for the flyer

ii) [Client Worksite Representative Course](#) ~ 10 - 14 Nov 2014 in Singapore.



It was a great class with delegates from Thailand (top student), Singapore, Malaysia, Indonesia, France, India, Canada, New Zealand. A good five days of sharing and lessons learned, procedure development and system awareness. Feedback from the course:

- "I've enjoyed most on the leadership, conflict and team management - it is very interactive and enjoyable." - **M.Z. Azizi Abdul Malek**
- "A very practical range of topics and easy to integrate offshore." - **Patrick Niccol**
- "I've enjoyed most on the environment and presentation - all are up to standard requirement." - **Syed Abdul Rahman Bin Syed Hussein**
- "I've enjoyed the course content, interaction between attendees and instructors." - **Glyn Jones**
- "Quality course + quality instructors." - **Roworth**

[Click Here](#) for the flyer.

iii) [Diving System Assurance Training](#) ~ 30 Sep - 3 Oct in Singapore, 27 - 29 Oct in Aberdeen - UK and 28 - 31 Oct 2014 in Lake Charles, USA

We saw the increasing popularity of the Diving System Assurance Training with classes conducted in Singapore, Aberdeen and Lake Charles. We were glad that delegates from Thailand, UK, Australia, New Zealand and Japan found that there are more to auditing than expected and definitely an informative week for all. Feedback from the course:

- "Clarity of delivery, free exchange of information, explanation of complex systems clear, concise and understandable. Training facilities and teaching aids are excellent, overall presentation good." - **Robert Cooper**
- "I could learn the structure of audit so that I will be able to reflect this knowledge to improve our documentation management". - **Naohiro Mitsumoto**
- "The level of interactivity with the students." - **Tom Ralph**
- "Practical exercise, auditing system." **William Murray**

[Click Here](#) for the course flyer.



iv) [Deck Decompression Chamber Training](#) ~ 7 - 9 Oct 2014 in Korea



A three day Deck Decompression Chamber (DDC) operator course was recently conducted at Samcheonpo Seoul hospital in Sacheon City, South Korea on the 7 - 9 October 2014.

A total of 17 students from various Korean Diving companies and operators of Hyperbaric treatment chambers attended the course which was organised by Mr Lee Chan Soo of La Mer Solutions Co Ltd. The course consists of both the theoretical and practical 'hands-on' training using a brand new 2 compartment DDC specially set up in the adjacent car park of the local cultural museum and has since generated much interest among passers-by. The training was further supplemented by visits to the hospital's 10-person hyperbaric facility.

Mr Lee said *"I've organised the course not to make money but as a service to the Korean diving industry, in order to raise the diving safety standards to an international level"*. A worthy aim!

Head of Diving Training, Alan Rhodes said, *"The facilities were first class and the students were very keen to learn and improve their knowledge. This is the second time KBAT has conducted a DDC operator course in Korea, we have built on our good connections and hoped to conduct more diving & competency skills training in the near future."*

v) [Diving Safety Presentation](#) ~ 8 Oct 2014 in Korea



Whilst in Korea, Head of Diving Training, Alan Rhodes was asked to present a lecture on 'Diving Safety', conducted in the auditorium of the Kyungnam Technical College, Jinju City. Interest was high, due to the recent tragic loss of over 400 lives - many of them were school children in the 'Sewol' ferry disaster. In that ferry disaster, there was a subsequent loss of two divers' lives and several decompression illness incidents during the rescue/salvage operation.

Response was over-whelming with 94 delegates from the diving industry and various public bodies attending, along with two TV news crews and resulted in leaving standing room only. There were also representatives from the Korean Coastguard, Jinju City 911 rescue team and Jinju City government administration officers.

CEO of Samcheonpo Seoul Hospital, Mr Lee Seung Yeon, gave a welcome speech to the guests before Alan made his presentation. There was a translator on site to ensure the message about diving

safely was fully understood by all; a review of diving incident and accident case studies as well as highlighting the safety measures required to run a safe diving operation, such as planning, risk assessment, training and personnel competence. The message was well received by delegates who appreciated an insight to diving operational safety seen from outside the Korean perspective.

vi) [Failure Mode, Effect & Criticality Analysis](#) ~ 7 - 8 Oct 2014 in Singapore



KBA Training have successfully completed its first run of **FMECA** in Singapore, and was well attended by contractors, clients and self-sponsored delegates. It has been an interesting and engaging two days with delegates from Malaysia, Indonesia, Thailand, UK, New Zealand sharing their experience as well.

Feedback from the course:

"Practical exercises, learning from the audit experts. Great facility with plenty to offer" - **William Murray**

"Interaction with experienced personnel and course instructor. The industry needs a better understanding and appreciation of the auditing and FMEA/FMECA process, I personally found the course to be beneficial to my career training and competency improvement" - **Robert Cooper**

"Clear presentation on subject matter." - **Kevin Scannell**

Keep a lookout for the upcoming schedules in Singapore, UK or US. [Click Here](#) for the flyer.

vii) **RWS SSDE One Day Trial Diving Experience** ~ 31 Oct 2014 in Singapore



Resorts World Sentosa Aquarium Divers who would normally be looking after the marine life at the aquarium visited KBA Training for an afternoon dive using Surface Supplied Diving Equipment.

Each of them had the chance to use the KBM Band Mask and the KMB 37 and had a great time doing underwater tasks.

viii) [Diving Safety Awareness Course](#) ~ 27 - 31 Oct 2014 in Singapore (for TOTAL)



During the five-day course, delegates from TOTAL Indonesia, Argentina, Gabon, Qatar and Abu Dhabi had an informative week along with a diving experience in the KBAT deck chamber and dive tank. Feedback from the course:

- *"It was a very realistic diving operation approach based on the experience and industry follow up on requirements updates and also most recent events. The training facilities are very interesting whereby we have the chance to experience a trial diving practice and have a better approach of the real dive operation."* - **Mariano Martin**
- *"The trainers know very well the diving operations as they were divers before. The information given have been commended and also explained in details. Overall, the diving practice was a very good experience to discover part of the life of the divers!"* **Jean Christophe**
- *"Excellent levels of knowledge demonstrate by trainers and taking the effort to answer question in full. . Overall, very professional."* - **Augar**
- *"The course is very interesting, new thing for me and it will be as my responsibility in my operation. The video (safety flash for lesson learn) was excellent."* - **M. Reza Saputra**

ix) [Diver Medic Technician Training / Refresher](#) ~ Singapore, Shenzhen - China, and New Delhi - India

The next **DMT** training is scheduled in Singapore on 12 - 23 January or 2 - 13 February; Chichester, UK on 2 - 13 February 2015. **Refreshers** are scheduled in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia on 12 - 16 January; Singapore on 26 - 30 January or 23 - 27 February; Chichester, UK on 9 - 13 March 2015. [Click Here](#) for the flyer.



DMT, Oct 2014, China



DMT, 10-22 Nov 2014



DMT, Dec 2014, Singapore



DMT, Dec 2014, New Delhi - India

5. KB Access Department NEWS

a) Announcements

We have been accredited for all levels of work at height training and is currently working for a combined integrated Manager and Assessor course, as well as more MOM-approved courses for Year 2015. Keep a look out for this development!

- [MOM Work-At-Height Course For Assessors](#)
- [MOM Work-At-Height Course For Assessors - Integrated](#)
- [MOM Work-At-Height Course For Managers](#)
- [MOM Work-At-Height Course For Managers - Integrated](#)
- [MOM Work-At-Height Course For Supervisors](#)
- [MOM Work-At-Heights Course For Workers](#)

Training With Us

1. Upcoming KBAT courses: January to March 2015

COURSES	Jan 2015	Feb 2015	Mar 2015
HEALTH & SAFETY : safetyadmin@kbassociates.org			
NEBOSH			
- NEBOSH International General Certificate in OSH ~ Indonesia, Bali	19 - 31 Jan	-	-
~ Indonesia, Bali	-	-	02 - 14 Mar
~ UAE, Dubai	05 - 17 Jan	-	-
- NEBOSH ITC in Operational Oil and Gas Safety ~ Indonesia, Bali	-	02 - 07 Feb	-
~ Indonesia, Bandung	-	-	16 - 21 Mar
~ UAE, Dubai	-	28Feb -	-
~ UK, Aberdeen	26 - 31 Jan	05Mar	-
- NEBOSH Award in Environmental Awareness at Work ~ Singapore	30 Jan	-	-
- NEBOSH Health & Safety at Work Qualification ~ UK, Aberdeen	-	02 - 04 Feb	-
- NEBOSH International Certificate in Construction Health & Safety ~ Singapore	-	23 - 28 Feb	-
- NEBOSH International Certificate in Fire Safety and Risk Management ~ Singapore	-	09 - 14 Feb	-
Schedule for NEBOSH International Diploma in Occ. Health & Safety (Blended Learning) Singapore: Unit IA > 23 - 27 Mar 2015 Singapore: Unit IB > 24 - 28 August 2015 Brunei: Unit IC > 30 March - 03 April 2015			
IOSH			
- Accident Investigation - Brunei	26 - 27 Jan	-	-
- UK, Aberdeen	-	-	10 - 11 Mar
- Directing Safely ~ Singapore	09 Jan	-	-
- Managing Safely ~ Singapore	12 - 14 Jan	-	-
CIEH			
Environmental			
- Level 2 Award in Environmental Principles and Best Practices ~ Singapore	-	-	18 Mar
Fire			
- Level 2 Award in Fire Safety Principles ~ Singapore	-	-	16 Mar
- Level 3 Award in Fire Safety Risk Assessment and Control ~ Singapore	-	16 - 18 Feb	-
First Aid			

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Level 2 Award in Emergency First Aid at Work ~ Singapore ~ UK, Aberdeen - Level 3 Award in First Aid ~ Singapore ~ UK, Aberdeen 	<p>28 Jan</p> <p>-</p> <p>5 - 7 Jan</p>	<p>16 Feb</p> <p>-</p> <p>11 - 13 Feb</p> <p>-</p>	<p>30 Mar</p> <p>20 Mar</p> <p>-</p> <p>-</p>
<p>Food Safety</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Level 2 Award in Food Safety ~ Singapore ~ UK, Aberdeen - Level 2 Award in HACCP-Based Food Safety Systems in Manufacturing ~ UK, Aberdeen - Level 3 Award in Food Safety ~ UK, Aberdeen 	<p>-</p> <p>-</p> <p>-</p> <p>-</p>	<p>-</p> <p>-</p> <p>-</p> <p>-</p>	<p>20 Mar</p> <p>9 Mar</p> <p>10 Mar</p> <p>11 - 13 Mar</p>
<p>Health and Safety</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Level 2 Award in Control of Substances Hazardous to Health (COSHH) ~ Brunei ~ Singapore - Level 2 Award in Manual Handling - Level 2 Award in Principles of Risk Assessment 	<p>28 Jan</p> <p>12 Jan</p> <p>-</p> <p>29 Jan</p>	<p>-</p> <p>-</p> <p>-</p> <p>-</p>	<p>-</p> <p>19 Mar</p> <p>17 Mar</p> <p>-</p>
<p>Train The Trainer</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Level 3 Award in Education and Training - Level 3 Award in Training (Principles and Practice) 	<p>-</p> <p>-</p>	<p>2 - 5 Feb</p> <p>2 -4 Feb</p>	<p>-</p> <p>-</p>
<p>COMPETENCY / AUDITING COURSES ~ Singapore</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Business Continuity ISO 22301 Auditor/Lead Auditor - Energy Management System ISO 50001 Auditor/Lead Auditor - Environmental Management System ISO 14001 Auditor/Lead Auditor - Food Safety Certification ISO 22000 Auditor/Lead Auditor - Information Technology ISO 27001 Auditor/Lead Auditor - Integrated Management System Internal Auditing (9001, 14001, 18001) - Occupational Health & Safety Management System OHSAS 18001 Auditor/Lead Auditor 	<p>-</p> <p>-</p> <p>19 - 23 Jan</p> <p>19 - 23 Jan</p> <p>-</p> <p>28 - 30 Jan</p> <p>-</p>	<p>23 - 27 Feb</p> <p>-</p> <p>-</p> <p>-</p> <p>-</p> <p>-</p> <p>9 - 13 Feb</p>	<p>-</p> <p>16 - 20 Mar</p> <p>9 - 13 Mar</p> <p>16 - 20 Mar</p> <p>16 - 20Mar</p> <p>-</p> <p>-</p>
<p>DIVING : divingadmin@kbassociates.org</p>			
<p>IMCA Trainee Air Diving Supervisor</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ~ Singapore ~ Malaysia, Kuala Lumpur ~ India, New Delhi 	<p>-</p> <p>-</p> <p>-</p>	<p>-</p> <p>17 - 21 Feb</p> <p>-</p>	<p>30Mar -3Apr</p> <p>-</p> <p>10 - 14 Mar</p>
<p>IMCA Trainee Bell Diving Supervisor</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ~ Singapore ~ Malaysia, Kuala Lumpur ~ India, New Delhi 	<p>12 - 15 Jan</p> <p>-</p> <p>-</p>	<p>-</p> <p>-</p> <p>22 - 25 Feb</p> <p>-</p>	<p>-</p> <p>-</p> <p>15 -18 Mar</p>

IMCA Diver Medic Technician Course ~ Singapore ~ UK, Chichester	12 - 23 Jan -	02 - 13 Feb 02 - 13 Feb	16 - 27 Mar -
IMCA Diver Medic Technician Refresher ~ Singapore ~ UK, Chichester ~ Malaysia, Kuala Lumpur	26 - 30 Jan - 12 - 16 Jan	23 - 27 Feb - -	9 - 13 Mar 1 - 13 Mar -
Dynamic Positioning (DP) Awareness Training	-	5 - 6 Feb	5 - 6 Mar, 3 - 31 Mar
Gauge Calibration	30 Jan	-	27 Mar
High Pressure Regulator Training	29 Jan	-	26 Mar
High Voltage Safety Awareness Course	-	28 Feb - 1 Mar	-
ROV Pilot Technician Training	-	-	-
Kirby Morgan DSI Basic Maintenance & Repair Technician	26 - 28 Jan	23Feb - 6 Mar -	23 - 25 Mar
MOM Approved Training Singapore only- trainingadmin@kbassociates.org			
Inland/Inshore Diving			
Level 1 - Commercial Self Contained Underwater Breathing Apparatus (CSCUBA) Diver	19Jan - 13Feb	-	-
Level 2 - Surface Supplied Diving Equipment(SSDE) Diver	-	23Feb - 1Apr	-
Level 4 - Inland/Inshore Diving Supervisor	-	-	13 - 17 Apr
Occupational First Aid	14 - 16 Jan	4 - 6 Feb, 25 - 27 Feb	4 - 6 Mar, 18 - 20 Mar
WDA Risk Management Implementation Plan	22 - 23 Jan	24 - 25 Feb	-
Compressed Air Works (Medical-Lock Attendant) ~ <i>New Training</i>	-	9 - 15 Feb	-
Professional Development Training - safetyadmin@kbassociates.org			
Quality Management System Lead/Internal Auditor (ISO 9001)	26 - 30 Jan	9 - 13 Feb	23 - 27 Mar

COURSES	Jan 2015	Feb 2015	Mar 2015
IRATA Rope Access Training			
- Level 1	Full	23 - 27 Feb	2 - 6 Mar
- Level 2		2 - 6 Feb	2 - 6 Mar
- Level 3		2 - 6 Feb	2 - 6 Mar
Work at Height course for Assessors	14 Jan, 27 Jan	09 Feb	-
Work at Height course for Assessors (Integrated)	-	10 - 11 Feb	-
Work at Height course for Managers	20 Jan	16 Feb	-
Work at Height course for Managers (Integrated)	8 - 9 Jan	12 - 13 Feb	-
Work at Height course for Supervisors	15 - 16 Jan, 29 - 30 Jan	-	-
Work at Height course for Workers	13 Jan, 21 Jan, 28 Jan	-	-

2. Upcoming KB Access Training: January to March 2015 Schedules

KBA NoticeBoard

1. KBA Team - One Day Trial (Commercial Diving Experience for Staff)



A very memorable experience for KBA Team as it was the first diving experience for most of our staff to dive in a dive tank with the guidance from our Diving Specialist - Alan Hardy. Everyone had a great time experiencing the real training of a commercial diver and it was indeed a valuable life-time knowledge for each of us! "Keeping Calm & Blowing Bubbles" Check out the detailed post by our dear colleague Georgina Meyne who have had great fun with her first commercial dive. [Click Here](#)

2. Student Attachment - CHIJ Secondary School



In November, KBA received a group of CHIJ Secondary students who were here on a work attachment. The school aimed to connect the girls to the world of work through a work attachment experience.

Overall, the girls had a positive attitude and performed well in the duties entasked. We were glad to host the girls and hoped it has been a good learning opportunity for them working in the corporate world.

3 Delegate Profile



Matteo Coccoloni

Asset Coordinator (Diving), For BOSKALIS OFFHORE Singapore

How and when did you first get into the Diving Industry?

I entered into the Diving Industry in 1999, after completing an OTSI Commercial Diver Course from a training school called ENFAP.

How has an IMCA qualification helped you with your career?

Upon achieving an IMCA qualification, it has helped me tremendously. As a former diver, I am always interested to return to the diving industry. After many years of inactivity, I understand that I cannot be diving again as well as my certification was issued in Italy and not by IMCA. I have spoken to friends who are now Diving Supervisors and some LSS, who have advised me to apply for the Kirby Morgan Hat Course to learn about its mechanics and electronics. I finally decided to apply for the ALST course using some previous experience of on board (in Italian waters) with their version of ALST with no IMCA certification. In my opinion, the IMCA certification is a requirement for people already working in the industry as well as for newcomers. In my interview with BOSKALIS Offshore, I was well prepared after completing my ALST course with KBA Training, the managers from Holland questioned me about IMCA, its importance in the diving industry and in the maintenance of the equipment. I am able to answer them with confidence and knowledge in explaining the important and relevant guidelines for Air and Saturation diving systems, which are all covered in the ALST course conducted by KBA Training.

Which is more important experience or qualifications and why?

I have come to understand that experience and practice is always the best method of learning, just as how Alan has shown to us during the course. But proper qualification is now the requirement. In my personal opinion, a diver can operate based on their experience which can be more than 40 years and be as knowledgeable and skillful on board. Yet, without certification, one cannot expect to be employed or join the industry. The most important aspect of having

a qualification shows that a person is aware and constantly updated with the modern safety procedures and industry policies enforced in the Oil and Gas Industry.

While studying at KBAT please describe your training experience and how this has benefited you with your career?

The training conducted by KBAT was extensive and the diving practical simulated a realistic approach in the aspects of full immersion training covering from gas laws to Sat Diving System IMCA guidelines. Thanks to Alan and KBAT training for the test questions at the end of each chapter, homework and exercises given and reviewing on the next day. This has helped me greatly. Doors are opened into many careers and I am confident as I am now able to better understand what is important for my job scope; application of IMCA guidelines and being responsible for equipment that safeguard the lives of divers. It is crucial for me to provide and maintain an optimal performance for the equipment to avoid any problems which may endanger the lives of others. To understand and check the accuracy of documentation is very important for Dive Technicians as they have to ensure compliance with procedures, similarly to a Ferrari car which is ready to speed but nobody check and tighten the bolts on the tires.

How did you get your current job?

I applied last year with BOSKALIS, Holland. After completion of the ALST course, I received an e-mail followed by a phone call for an interview in regards to a job opening in the Boskalis Offshore department based in Tuas, Singapore.

Describe an average day in your job?

In the yard, we conduct maintenance on a SAT system for 13 divers, HRC, HRF and 2x spread for AIR Diving coming with 2x DDC housed inside a container. A tool box meeting is conducted at 0800 with Dive Technicians and general workers covering the job plan for the next 9 hours. We coordinate with all the men and comply with the safety policy in the yard, speed up the process for material requisition, working permits, through requesting for lifting operations and update all the certification and maintenance forms, ABS, DTV and IMCA. Planning the maintenance schedule for the next 2 weeks according to the requests of the general Asset Manager in Holland (Diving) and the Project Manager (Diving) in Australia. I would have to deal with the ongoing maintenance problems and requests from the Senior Dive Technician by reinforcing the RA and coordinate with the third party contractor. To be prepared and offer the best during an Audit inspection.

What are of diving subject are you most interested in?





I am interested in Subsea Operations.

What is your advice to those aiming for a career in the Diving Industry?

1. It is important to speak, read and write in English (I am not an English Speaking native and I learnt it pretty late and always regretted this as it compromised my Diving Career.
2. Look for certified international and reputable and legitimate training schools for IMCA courses.
3. Looking to work for UK Diving companies.
4. Looking for employment opportunities in the North Sea.
5. Having a positive attitude in the job assigned and being a team player.
6. Learn efficiently by using my senses around those who are experienced.
7. Have a clear mindset of the preservation of safety at all times.
8. Respect your colleagues in any situation (especially under stress).
9. To cherish the lessons learn, from the advice of experienced people evaluating or observing your performance.

Give 110% effort and focus to the job every day.

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