

A two-year MSc course in toxicology and environmental health

February 2005, Utrecht (The Netherlands)

The Institute for Risk Assessment Sciences (IRAS) will begin this 2-year course in toxicology and environmental health in February 2005 in Utrecht, The Netherlands. The objective of the course is to develop the participants' skills to obtain knowledge and to train their practical skills in the recognition, analysis, and evaluation of both exposure of man and animals to potentially hazardous environmental factors of a chemical, biological or physical nature and the health effects caused by such exposure.

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Safety research—safety promotion

6–11 February 2005, Kasnäs (Finland)

The second week of the Fifth International Course on Safety Research—Safety Promotion will take place in Kasnäs, Finland, on 6–11 February 2005. The objective of the course is to examine the key elements of methodology concerning general safety research. The participants will learn to design safety studies and to evaluate study reports. They will also study the most common research methods of the field. The topics will cover accident studies and the evaluation of preventive measures.

The course is meant for researchers of work, traffic or leisure-time safety, managers and experts in safety, and policy makers.

Any questions should be directed to the course secretary:

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Work in the cold—technical solutions

8–12 February 2005, Rovaniemi (Finland)

The First International Course on Work in the Cold—Technical Solutions will take place on 8–12 February 2005 in Rovaniemi, Finland. The course will examine worktasks carried out in cold environments and the standards and recommendations for cold work. Technical improvements and methods to develop a cold work environment will be discussed. The participants will be able to evaluate associated risks and use their

knowledge to develop the work environment and create protection against the cold.

Safety and environmental engineers, technical designers, work hygienists, researchers and medical personnel are invited to participate.

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Leaders of interdisciplinary research projects

7–11 March 2005, Gentofte (Denmark)

The Third International Course on Leaders of International Research Projects is meant for postdoctoral scientists and other occupational health professionals. The course will take place in Gentofte, Denmark, on 7–11 March 2005.

The objective of the course is to present recent developments in the management of research and to apply this information to research on occupational health and safety. Also the practical matters involved in handling management problems in research organizations will be examined.

The course secretary will answer further inquiries:

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Triennial Asian conference on occupational health

11–13 May 2005, Wellington (New Zealand)

The Asian Association of Occupational and Environmental Health (AAOEH) is organizing the Triennial Asian Conference on Occupational Health, to be held on 11–13 May 2005 in Wellington, New Zealand.

The conference will deal with emerging occupational health issues in the Asia Pacific region. Abstracts for papers or posters must be received by 31 December 2004.

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