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Public Consultation for Guidelines on the Implementation of Workplace Safety and Health Management System for the Metalworking Industry

The Ministry of Manpower and the Metalworking Industry Safety Promotion Committee had jointly published the Guidelines on the Implementation of Safety Management System for the Metalworking Industry in 2001. With the launch of SS ISO 45001: 2018 (Occupational health and safety management systems – Requirements with guidance for use) framework in 2018, the WSH Council convened a working group comprising industry stakeholders to review the guidelines for alignment to ISO 45001: 2018.

The working group has prepared a draft copy of the revised guidelines. All 15 elements of the Guidelines, published in 2001, have been integrated into the various sections of the revised guidelines.

We would like to seek your inputs and suggestions prior to publication. The period of consultation is from 17 March to 16 April 2021.

Download the full draft guidelines <u>here</u> for reference and submit your comments by using the <u>public consultation form</u> to <u>contact@wshc.sq</u> by **16 April 2021**.

MOM warned of fake website bearing government logos and phishing for personal information

MOM has been alerted to a fake website phishing for personal identification numbers and information. The fake website is www.verified-cert.org.

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Adoption of technology in WSH training the key focus in annual Training Providers' Forum

The Workplace Safety and Health (WSH) Council organised the annual Training Providers' Forum 2021 on 10 March 2021. Themed "Adoption of Technology in WSH Training", more than 90 participants from over 50 WSH training providers participated in the event. Representatives from SkillsFuture Singapore, the Singapore Accreditation Council and associated certification bodies were also present.

The event underscored WSH training as an important and crucial element to enable and empower our workforce to take greater ownership of WSH objectives and outcomes. Training providers were challenged to harness innovative technologies in their training courses to make WSH learning more spontaneous, relatable and memorable.

The highlight of the Forum was the virtual focus group discussion (FGD) where participants shared candidly their views and experiences on the use of technology to enhance WSH training. This was a follow-through from last year's Forum where training providers were given a preview of various technologies for learning.

The FGD discussed on the topic "Adoption of Technology in WSH Training", raising three key concerns: (i) the low digital literacy and language skills amongst some migrant workers and elderly local workers; (ii) high investment cost in technology training; and (iii) inconsistent use of technology in training across different training providers, unless mandated by authorities.



The WSH Council wrapped up the session by thanking the participants for their active contributions during the FGD, and assured them that it would carefully review the concerns, views and recommendations for implementation downstream, if deemed practical.

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