

American Society of Safety Engineers-Kuwait Chapter successfully conducts 5th international HSE & Loss Prevention Professional Development Conference & Exhibition.

The American Society of Safety Engineers, Kuwait Chapter recently conducted a very successful professional development conference and exhibition at Hotel Radisson SAS under the patronage of the Minister of Oil, Kuwait. The conference with the theme **“Moving to Sky”** was conducted between 17-19 March 2009 and was well attended by more than 300 participants. The conference was inaugurated on 17/03/09 by Mr. Hussain Ismail, Chairman of Kuwait Petroleum International amid a galaxy of VIP's and invited speakers and guests. The conference included Pre-Conference workshops, plenary sessions, and several important sessions on various aspects of Safety, Health, Environment and Security.

There were more than 30 invited speakers /experts in the field of Health Safety and Environment and Security who delivered important messages through their thought provoking lectures/demonstrations. Some of the key topics discussed were related to Process Safety, Fire Safety, Indoor Air Quality, Chemical Safety, Waste Management, Environment management etc. There were more than 25 exhibitors including local government agencies, industries, equipment suppliers and other agencies. A very high number of enquiries were observed by the exhibitors which will surely help the Kuwait economy.

As part of the conference, the ASSE-Kuwait chapter also presented the first ever ASSE GCC HSE Excellence award for private sector companies in various sectors. Participants included Equate, Galfar Engineering & Construction, Nestle-Egypt, Halliburton, ISCO and others.

This conference was conducted by a dedicated batch of volunteers under the able leadership of Mr. Fadhel Al-Ali, Chairman, Kuwait Chapter of the ASSE and Mr. Ujwal Ritwik, President, Professional Development Conference Planning Committee. The conference was sponsored by major companies in Kuwait including KPC, KNPC, Equate, Saudi Arabian Chevron, Du Pont, BST and others.

ASSE salutes all those who made this conference happen.