VISIONS 2018 AIMS TO FEATURE high level and intriguing keynote speakers who are experts in their field of study and research, as well as the WHS Regulator, other speakers and industry experts, discussing key industry topics.

ABOUT THE CONFERENCE

The Safety Institute of Australia (Qld Branch) is very proud to announce its 26th consecutive annual Occupational Health and Safety Conference to be on the Gold Coast from Wednesday 5th - Friday 7th September 2018.

The Visions Organising Committee is pleased to invite papers from interested professionals, academics, researchers and practitioners, in the field of health and safety for inclusion in the conference program. Paper abstracts are invited on topics relevant to the field of Occupational Health and Safety and associated disciplines, and particularly this year, papers addressing “what works”!
ABSTRACT GUIDELINES
Expressions of interest should be submitted in accordance with the following guidelines:
- Acceptance of proposals will be based on the submission of an abstract, to be reviewed and accepted by the SIA QLD conference Committee
- Paper presentations are limited to 45 minutes, inclusive of question time.

Abstracts will be reviewed in accordance with the following criteria:
- Presentation of the subject matter at a level appropriate to a professional OHS practitioner, demonstrating a well developed understanding and coherent description of the concepts;
- Evidence of insightful and critical analysis of the issues;
- Quality of and use of supporting literature and references including use of peer reviewed and other recognised contemporary information sources or publications, in an integrated manner that substantiates the discussion/perspective of the paper;
- A coherent discussion should be presented of current and future implications for occupational health and safety;
- Papers of an overt product advertisement or marketing nature will not be accepted.

SUBMISSION PROCESS
Abstracts should be submitted in MS Word format (maximum 250 words) and be accompanied by a brief biography of the presenter(s) or a link to their LinkedIn profile.

Submission of abstracts is required by 3 March 2018, and can be emailed to visions@sia.org.au

Individuals whose papers are accepted into the Conference program will be notified in writing. Abstracts of accepted papers will be published on the Visions website, along with biographies of presenters. Full papers and presentations will be provided to delegates (including in electronic format) and published on the Visions website post-conference.

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION
Conference registration expenses for speakers are included (however travel and accommodation costs are not).

SIA CPD POINTS
Paper presentations and attendance at this year’s conference counts towards members Continuing Professional Development (CPD) points, which are a requirement for maintaining professional grades of membership of the SIA.