

10-11 March 2026

PPE CONFERENCE 2026

South Africa's first ever
conference for the
Personal Protective Industry

*Protecting people and enhancing
performance through elevating
PPE Standards, Practices and
Technologies*

PPE isn't optional, it's essential!

This conference will be of benefit to the industry at large: For companies caring for the wellness and safety of their employees and wanting to keep inline with the law; For employees wanting an improved knowledge of PPE and to know and understand their rights.

Venue:

Emperors Convention Centre
Kempton Park, Johannesburg

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Benefits of attending the conference

This conference will be a unique opportunity for attendees to develop their expertise and knowledge in PPE. They will gain valuable knowledge and practical skills when applying PPE in the workplace ultimately creating a more productive and safe work environment including:

- Enhanced knowledge of PPE, its uses, limitations and proper use
- Improved understanding of workplace hazards and risks
- Increased confidence in PPE, through proper application
- Networking opportunities with colleagues, industry experts, vendors and suppliers
- Access to resources for future concerns
- Improved awareness of industry trends and innovations
- Better understanding of emergency procedures and responses
- Learn about new technologies and innovations
- Training and education on correct PPE use and maintenance
- Increased knowledge of compliance and understanding the law
- Opportunities to learn from case studies
- Improved supply chain management and procurement processes
- Future innovations
- Understand the importance of using the correct PPE.



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Non-SAPEMA Members	R 8,000.00
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Attendees will include:

(Note this list is representative and not exhaustive):

- Occupational Health & Safety Officers
- Risk Managers
- Fire Officers
- Healthcare Professionals
- Occupational Hygienists
- Occupational Health Nurses
- Healthcare Administrators
- Infection Prevention/Control Personnel
- Safety Engineers
- Quality Assurance Managers
- Emergency Medical Technicians
- Police Officers
- OHS Inspectors
- Public Health Officials
- Regulatory Compliance Officers
- PPE Manufacturers and Suppliers and Distributors
- OHS Trainers
- OHS Consultants
- PPE Sales Representatives
- Corporation Managers
- Corporate Directors
- Team Leaders

and many more

This conference will be of benefit to all of industry - small and large corporations, including:

- Government departments (Including water, fire services, disaster management etc)
- Regulatory and Research Institutions
- Universities
- Mining
- Construction
- Manufacturing
- Oil and gas
- Healthcare
- Hospitality
- Aviation and maritime
- Road and rail transport
- Forestry
- Food processing/storage

and many more



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Some of our exciting PRESENTERS

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Tibor Szana
Chief Inspector:
Occupational Health and
Safety (Retired.)
Presentation title:
*Why bother with PPE ... on
the Road to Zero Harm*



Loren Pearson
Sales and Marketing
Manager Chemical Industrial
SSA, DuPont
Presentation title:
*Selecting the correct
protective clothing for a
hazardous chemical
environment*



David Selepe
High Voltage Technician at a
power utility
Presentation title:
*Misuse of hand protection:
A case study*



Advocate Raynard Looch.
Managing Member Klass
Looch Associates
Presentation title:
*PPE and the law: Ignore the
law at your peril*



Rani Naidoo
Respiratory Specialist
Dromex
Presentation title:
*Fake protection: The
hidden dangers of
counterfeits proliferating
the market*



Partington Mtatabikwa
Motivational speaker and
safety advocate.
Presentation title:
*How the accident on-the-job
changed my life*



Ms Bulelwa Huna
Senior Specialist:
Occupational Health &
Hygiene. MPH: Occupational
Hygiene. Department of
Employment and Labour
Presentation title:
*The Role of PPE in
Workplace Prevention
Programmes*



Prof Cas Badenhorst.
Associate Professor,
Occupational Hygiene
and Health Research Initiative
(OHRI), North West
University
Presentation title:
*Diesel particulate matter
and welding fume
protection through PPE*



Dr Jeanneth Manganyi
Head: Occupational Hygiene
Section, Honorary Lecturer:
Wits School of Public Health
National Institute for
Occupational Health Division
of the National Health
Laboratory
Presentation title:
*A new bivariate respirator fit
test panel representing
Black South African respira-
tor users in Gauteng*



Mziwakhe Nhlapo
CEO of MMAT SHEC & ESG
Training & Consulting Service.
Past team leader NUM.
Presentation title:
*Lessons learned from
buying cheap PPE instead of
correct PPE*



Leighton Bennett
Chairman Safety First
Association
Presentation title:
*The OSH Practitioner's role
in purchasing of PPE*



Christo Nel
Managing Director RBU MAI,
Uvex Safety South Africa
Presentation title:
*Understanding local &
international PPE standards:
Clarity in a complex
landscape*



Wynand Englebrecht
CEO & Founder Fire Ops SA
Presentation title:
*Surviving the blaze: How
flame resistant clothing
saved the day*



Dr Anette Thompson
Podiatrist. Presentation title:
*Safety footwear selection
and foot health in the
workplace*



JW Eggink
Sector Sales Specialist BBF
Safety Group.
Presentation title:
*A hard hat, is a hard hat ...
or is it?*





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Website logo & link on SFA website	✓	✓	✓
Website banner advert on SFA website	✓	✓	✓
Advert in African OS&H April issue (distributed at conference)	✓(FP)	✓(FP)	✓(HP)
Logos on all marketing material	✓	✓	✓
Pop-up banner in auditorium	✓		
Inserts in delegate bags	✓	✓	
Delegate registrations	3	2	1

Pop-up banner (x 1)	R2,000
Inserts into delegate bags	R3,000 (non exhibitors)
Delegate bags	R25,000 (Includes bags selected by organiser - sponsor logo in one colour)
Speaker gifts	R3,000 (excludes gifts)
Lanyards	R3,000 (lanyards supplied by sponsor)
Exhibition stands	R10,000 (incl 1 delegate and insert in delegate bag)

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