

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:

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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



South African Institute of Occupational Safety and Health
Verified - 5 CPD Points

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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PRESENTERS and PRESENTATIONS



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



Dr Deon Swanepoel
Exposure specialist
D'Sayensi Occupational
Hygiene. *Presentation title:*
*Using southern African facial
data to identify and reduce
RPE leakage*



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*



Miguel Bustin
Safety Product Specialist
PPE.
Presentation title:
*Proactive or reactive? The
importance of choosing the
correct hand protection!*



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*



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



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



Mziwakhe Nhlapo
CEO of MMAT SHEC & ESG
Training & Consulting Service.
Past team leader NUM.
Presentation title:
*Cutting corners costs lives:
The true cost of cheap PPE*



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



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



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



Karen du Preez
President of SAIOH
Presentation title:
*Improper PPE use:
Occupational Hygiene
Risks*



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*



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



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



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



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Website logo & link on SFA website	✓	✓	✓
Website banner advert on SFA website	✓	✓	✓
Advert in African OS&H February 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)
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