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KBA Solutions

Your One Stop Solution Provider

Diving, ROV and Marine Consultancy, Rope Access Training,
International Health & Safety Training and Consultancy

Providing you a service of quality, professionalism and independence

Dear Jeslyn,

For all those who can remember the phrase 'Thunder Birds are GO!', we could say the last quarter for KBA has been a continuous launch pad! With the exciting NEW launch of our web site followed by our E-learning for NEBOSH International Technical Certificate in Oil and Gas Operational Safety - which is proving very popular (read below), new safety training courses accredited by The Chartered Institute of Environmental Health (CIEH) UK, the first ever IOSH Accident Investigation training course and IOSH Directing Safely course in Singapore, our first Kelvin TOP-SET 3-Day Senior Investigator course in association with Kelvin TOP-SET UK, the Diving System Assurance 5-Day course, the launch of Client Representatives Course and also the launch of Independent Accident Investigation Team Service who are all trained as Kelvin TOP-SET investigators and much more as you will read in this newsletter.

KBA Group of companies are continually developing new services and training to meet the industry requirements and your needs. We still have more exciting news to share with you in Q4 of this year while we are pleased to share with you our KBA corporate catalogue - it clearly specifies the scope of works carried out by each of our subsidiaries. [Click here](#) for a copy of it.

Do keep a lookout for the upcoming CIEH - Level 3 Award in Fire Safety Risk Assessment and Control and CIEH Food Hygiene course which would be applicable to hotels, restaurants and offshore catering. Plan your schedule and embark your training journey with us now!

Have a great pleasure reading! Please feel free to contact us for more information.

Yours Sincerely,

Darren Brunton

Managing Director

KB Associates Group of Companies

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About Us

KB Associates Pte Ltd (KBA) specialises in providing consultancy services to the offshore oil and gas industries and onshore terminals construction industries.

KBA consists of a group of companies, each offering specialised services to synergistically fulfill the industry as a quality "One Stop" solution provider.

Group of Companies

[KB Associates Pte Ltd](#)

[KBA Training Centre Pte Ltd](#)

[KBA Marine Services Pte Ltd](#)

[KBA Engineering Pte Ltd](#)

[KB Access Pte Ltd](#)

[KB Associates \(Europe\) Ltd](#)

Top News

1. KBA Commencement of a three year contract with Land Transport Authority (SINGAPORE) - Compliance Audit of two new MRT Tunnel projects

KBA have now commenced their work scope for the Singapore Land transport Authority (LTA) with the compliance and safety audits of the man locks and supporting chambers and equipment for the pressurised intervention of the tunnelling work for the new MRT lines. Commencing earlier this year with desk top reviews of procedures and method statements, the tunnelling work has now started and the pressurised interventions to the tunnelling machine cutting heads have been required.

Playing a role in ensuring that the work is carried out in a safe and controlled manner on behalf of LTA is diverse from our normal scope with regards to offshore diving safety, however much of the principles remain the same while the only difference is that the work is carried out in a 'hot and dry' area underground instead of in the water!

2) KBA Partnership with NSL Communicating Safety

KB Associates Pte Ltd (KBA) is pleased to announce the partnership with NSL Communicating Safety based in Aberdeen (UK) - the leading provider of Training Services and Teaching Documents to the majority of International Oil Operators, Service Companies and major Contractors worldwide.

We will feature an extensive range of NSL's international safety awareness materials:

a) DVDs: Safety Awareness DVDs

The Safety Awareness DVDs emphasise good practice and provide guidance on safety in an entertaining and thorough way. Offering 15 - 20 minutes of viewing, a well-known TV personality is used, in often humorous situations, to reinforce the message.

b) Books: Safety Awareness Handbooks

The handbooks are convenient, pocket-size (A6) books packed with safety information allowing for on-the-spot checking of safe practice. The materials developed are regarded as 'Industry standard'; widely used and applicable to all areas in the Oil & Gas and the construction industries.

c) Posters: Safety Awareness Posters

Durable posters are supplied full color, A3. Each shows safe techniques, common problems, accidents and their causes. All are full of humour and 'eye-catching' with the use of cartoon figures to promote valuable messages about safety in the workplace.

d) Safety Hardware: Hand Free Rigging Pole - Push/Pull Poles

Push/Pull Poles are designed to help facilitate 'hands-free' lifting. They are a modified aluminum telescopic boat hook with a rubber buffer at the other end. The hook end can be used at full extension (approximately 2.1m / 7ft) to retrieve tag lines hanging vertically without a load handler having to go too close to a suspended load.

The rubber buffer is used to push against suspended loads to guide them, especially when landing loads in tight or congested spaces. Once again, this allows the operator to remain a safe distance from the load until it has landed. The poles would normally be fully retracted (for rigidity) during this type of use where their length is 1.2m/4ft. However, they can be used half-extended if required but if too much pressure is applied, they will telescope in.

All the materials will be available soon and they are offered in a variety of languages including UK English, American English, Arabic, Urdu, Portuguese, Spanish, French and Russian.

[Contact us](#) if you would like to know more information.

3) KBA provides new service - Kelvin TOP-SET Trained Accident Investigation Team



KBA are pleased to announce the recent training received under our agreement with Kelvin TOP-SET; KBA are now able to provide independent and trained Kelvin TOP-SET accident investigators.

Accidents and Near Misses (Incidents) are not something we want to happen in any work place or other location. However, when they do occur, we seek a detailed, thorough professional investigation into the underlying causes

and establish the 'root causes' so as to prevent re-occurrence. Unfortunately, it is often the case when an accident happens, the process of investigation is not thorough enough and the lessons learnt are not communicated correctly and corrective actions are not fully implemented - hence similar incidents occur.

If you wish to know more about our new services, please [contact us](#) for more information.

Industry & Course Updates

1) Participated Event

NEBOSH Graduation & Awards Ceremony 2011 - was held at the University of Warwick on Monday 27 June. The ceremony acknowledged the achievements of successful Diploma candidates and also incorporated an awards presentation for top performing candidates for each NEBOSH qualification.

This Year, KBA Training Centre sponsored 2 popular Awards: **The Award for the Best Candidate in the NEBOSH International General Certificate in Occupational Health & Safety** and **The Award for the Best Candidate in the NEBOSH International Technical Certificate in Oil & Gas Operational Safety**. Our Managing Director, Mr. Darren Brunton presented the awards and we congratulated Mrs. Doha Matar and Mr. John Riches for their outstanding performance. We wish them all the best in their future endeavours.



From Left (Mrs Doha Matar, Darren Brunton)
Best Candidate in NEBOSH International General
Certificate in Occupational Health & Safety



From Left (Mr. John Riches, Darren Brunton)
Best Candidate in NEBOSH International Technical Certificate in
Oil & Gas Operational Safety

2) Upcoming Participating Event



Suntec Singapore Hall 401 / 402 . 12 – 14 October 2011
Opening Hours: 12 – 13 October: 10.00am to 6pm . 14 October: 10.00am to 5pm
www.safetysecurityasia.com | www.firedisasterasia.com

KBA Training Centre Pte Ltd

cordially invites you to visit us at

Booth No: B05

Safety & Security Asia (SSA) 2011, the most established event for South-east Asia's safety and security industry for the past 22 years, will mark the 11th edition this year. It is the most important platform for addressing the pressing security issues and concerns in the region. The concurrent event, **Fire & Disaster Asia (FDA) 2011** will showcase the most innovative range of specialized rescue and disaster management products, and associated services that protect lives and properties on all levels of fire and emergencies.

Concurrent Security Conferences



1. Security Industry Conference

Venue: Hall 401/402, Conference Room, Suntec Singapore
Date: 12 October 2011 **REGISTER FOR FREE ADMISSION**

2. Security Industry Master Class

Venue: Suntec Singapore
Date: 13 October



Singapore International Security Conference

Venue: Hall 401/402, Conference Room, Suntec Singapore
Date: 13 October 2011 **REGISTER FOR FREE ADMISSION**



Commercial Premises Security Conference

Venue: Hall 401/402, Conference Room, Suntec Singapore
Date: 14 October 2011 **REGISTER FOR FREE ADMISSION**



Global Technologies Seminar

Venue: Hall 401, Suntec Singapore
Date: 12 - 14 October 2011 **REGISTER FOR FREE ADMISSION**



Asia Business Continuity Conference

Venue: Hall 401/402, Suntec Singapore
Date: 12 - 14 October 2011

Concurrent Fire Conference



Venue: Room 303 - 305, Suntec Singapore
Date: 12 – 14 October 2011

For conference registration, please visit:
<http://www.fisac.com.sg/how-to-register.php>

For more event information, please visit:
<http://www.fisac.com.sg/>

CLICK HERE FOR ONLINE REGISTRATION!

Safety & Security Asia 2011

Organiser 	Host 	Supporting Governmental Partners  	Knowledge Partner 	Conference Partner 
Platinum Sponsor 	Supporting Organizations       			
				

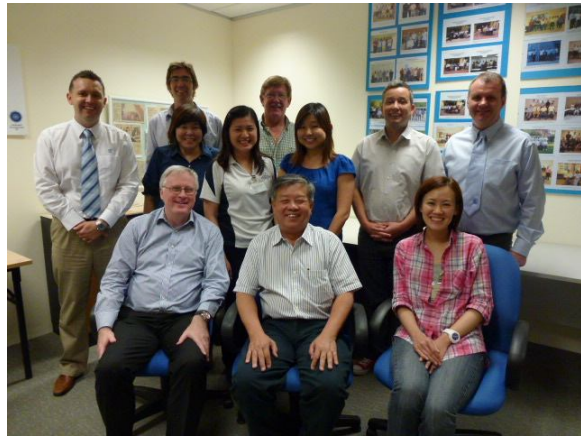
Fire & Disaster Asia 2011

Organiser 	Supporting Governmental Agencies  
Local Host 	Supporting Organizations   

3. Safety Department News

a) Conducted the first IOSH Directing Safely Course in Singapore on 24 June 2011

"The course was a very useful and timely opportunity for my management team and myself to gain a strategic perspective on the importance of safety and health in the workplace. Being able to attend as a team underscored the message that safety is all our responsibility and that it is something we must continually work at if we are to develop a proactive and positive safety culture. The opportunity to discuss some issues of current concern to us was also very welcome" said **Mr. Declan O'Driscoll, Regional Director of Oil Spill Response Limited**



Our next training schedule will be on 28 Sept (Singapore). [Contact us](#) now.

b) Conducted NEBOSH IGC in Bali, Indonesia on 11 - 23 July 2011 and in Singapore on 15 - 27 Aug 2011

Feedback by two of our delegates whom had scored '**Distinction**' in their IGC examinations:

Debashis said "The credit for this to a great extent goes to you for preparing us to write the answers the way Nebosh wants, to Nurul for drilling into our heads all the information required to answer the questions and last but not the least to KBA Associates for formulating the course and schedule in a manner most suitable for the exams".



Harish Matta said, "Thanks again for the knowledge imparted and am putting it to good use while doing HSE supervision at Batam (Indonesia)".

Our next training schedule will be on 03 - 15 Oct (Perth), 10 - 22 Oct (Singapore) and 24 Oct - 05 Nov (Hong Kong).

[Contact us](#) now.

c. Launch of NEBOSH ITC in Oil & Gas Operational Safety - E-learning on 20 July 2011

We are one of the first training providers to offer the E-learning mode of study for NEBOSH ITC in Oil & Gas Operational Safety. Our E-learning platform has been implemented to keep pace with technology and modern lifestyle - designed for students on-the-go and enabling flexibility. Our e-learning courses are carefully developed, designed and customised to provide delegates an interactive and effective e-learning experience.

Feedback by our delegate, Mr. Darren Coburn said, "This is a really a well structured course that you have. I have seen a few of the other institutions material for the NEBOSH Oil & Gas and KBA e-learning is by far the best I seen. I wish you can provide the 'environmental diploma' as I am needing to starting this straight after testing of this course in Sept"

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Oil and Gas Operational Safety e-Learning Course

This course is in line with the requirements of NEBOSH International Technical Certificate in Oil and Gas Operational Safety. It provides underpinning knowledge to professionals across the industry - ranging from supervisors to safety advisors - to manage operational risks effectively.

Below is a list of elements of this course. Click on any title link to launch its e-learning module.

- Element 1: Health, Safety and Environment Management**
Topics: Lessons learnt from past accidents and near-miss incidents, hazards inherent in the industry and risk management techniques to prevent them. [Preview](#)
- Element 2: Hydrocarbon Process Safety 1**
Topics: Managing contractors, process safety controls, permit-to-work system, safe shift handover, plant operations and maintenance, and start up and shut down.
- Element 3: Hydrocarbon Process Safety 2**
Topics: Failure modes leading to loss of containment, safety critical equipment controls, safe containment of hydrocarbons, fire hazards, risk and controls and furnace and boiler operations.
- Element 4: Fire Protection and Emergency Response**
Topics: Fire protection systems and emergency response systems.
- Element 5: Logistics and Transport Operations**
Topics: Marine transport, diver operations and land transport.

Attractive Discounted Course fee: S\$995.00* + additional fees (Exam fee/Local sitting fee/British Council Admin fee). Free KBAT's NEBOSH ITC in Oil & Gas Operational Safety Study course book for the first 100 delegates who register online.

[Click Here](#) to Apply Now or [Click Here](#) to see the preview of how the E-learning will be conducted

Our Experience with Three Learning Pte. Ltd. on the E-learning portal

"I have never been a fan of e-learning as my preferred method of learning is classroom based course learning in one period. However, having used the NEBOSH Oil & Gas e-learning programme I found it very easy to use, clear and concise. I was very impressed with the clarity of the pages & the step by step approach. The note taking system is very handy for the student, as is the record of pages visited. Having used the system, I would have no reservations in recommending the course to users who do not have the time or availability for traditional means of study." **Alan Rhodes, Head of Diving of KBA Training Centre Pte Ltd**

d) Conducted the first Kelvin TOP-SET, 3-Day Senior Investigator Course in Singapore

KBAT conducted the first Kelvin TOP-SET 3-Day Senior Investigator course on 10 - 12 August 2011. Mr Noel Kilpatrick from Kelvin TOP-SET flew in from Ireland to deliver the training with KBAT instructor Ms. Melissa Ashwell.

Delegates from Singapore, New Zealand and Qatar attended the course which covered the Kelvin TOP-SET investigation methodology. Mr Tay Chee Seng, Safety & Health Manager from Keppel Land International Limited said, "I enjoyed the openness and sharing of knowledge and skills among the instructors and trainees." All delegates found the course content and delivery interesting and very beneficial for use within their companies.



The next Kelvin TOP-SET course that KBAT will be running are:

- [Kelvin TOP-SET, 1-Day Investigator Course](#) on 29 Aug and 27 Oct in Singapore;
- [Kelvin TOP-SET, 3-Day Senior Investigator Course](#) on 08 - 10 Nov and 19 - 21 Dec in Singapore

To know more information about the course details and course fee, [Contact us NOW!](#)

4. DIVING DEPARTMENT NEWS

a) Diving Doctor Gathering - to discuss on new developments for medical training

On 19th July 2011, our training centre in Singapore was bustling with visitors where we held a meeting to discuss IMCA Diver Medic Training courses that are being conducted in Singapore and New Delhi.

During the meeting, the new IMCA Diver Medic Syllabus was reviewed for further comment so as to revert back to IMCA. This was a great opportunity for the KBAT team and our supporting diving doctors to discuss the new exciting developments and expansion that we are planning for the medical training in both Singapore and India.

A feedback by our delegate Mr. SK Dhaka who attended DMT course conducted by Mr. Wayne Lee in New Delhi on the 06 - 15 June 2011: "*I really learnt a lot during the course and appreciate your way of teaching. I am writing this because I was really impressed by your way of teaching and wanted to convey the appreciation - Indian students still talk great about you. I couldn't convey this earlier as I had gone offshore for sat dive.*"



From Left: Wayne Lee- Senior Medic Trainer; Dr Kevin Chan; Alan Rhodes - Head of Diving Training Department; Colin Alexander- General Manager; Dr Tarun Sahni and Darren Brunton- Managing Director

b) KBAT completed its First Diving System Assurance Training Course - Singapore on 1 - 5 Aug 2011

The five day intense Diving System Assurance training course was long in waiting but has proven to be a great success. Delegates from UK, Qatar, Canada, Indonesia and Singapore attended the course which covered the detailed process of diving system assurance.

During the week, the delegates conducted two audits on KBAT hyperbaric facility and of which during the 2nd audit, delegates were able to apply the new skills they had learnt during the training. Tim Fraser, Diving Superintendent of Technip UK, said "The course is well presented, very informative. It has met my expectation and improved my knowledge in my profession. The trainer understands his subject, able to communicate and transfer his know-how really well. Throughout my career (36 years) in Diving, there are only a few training courses that have stayed in my mind. This is one of which that is very relevant".



The course has been a great success and will be scheduled on our training calendar for 2011 and 2012. [Contact us](#) now if you need more information.

c. First CLIENT REPRESENTATIVE Training in Singapore on 22 - 26 Aug 2011

As we go to press with this newsletter, KBAT is in the midst of running our first **Client Representative Training** in Singapore. Keep a lookout for the progress where we will be sharing with you more photos.

We had received many requests for more training course dates and it will definitely be scheduled on our training calendar for 2011 and 2012. [Contact Us](#) Now for further information.

Training With Us

1. Upcoming KBAT courses: Sep and Oct 2011

We are pleased to announce that our training course dates for the Year 2011 course schedule is now available on our website - please do plan ahead for your training needs.

A sneak preview for Sep and Oct schedule; for more information, please free feel to contact us.



Jurys Inn Hotel, Aberdeen UK: Union Square, Guild Street, Aberdeen, AB11 5RG



Springhill Suites by Marriott, Lake Charles USA

Other than offering courses in Singapore, this course is also available in Indonesia, Australia, United Kingdom and USA. **COMING SOON at 3 NEW Locations; Manchester (UK), Great Yarmouth (UK) and New Delhi (India).**

[Click Here](#) for the flyer or [Contact us](#) to register or for more information.

3. Upcoming KB Access IRATA Rope Access Training; Sept - Oct 2011 Schedule

COURSES	Sep 2011	Oct 2011
IRATA Rope Access Training (Level 1 - 3)	5 - 9 Sept 12 - 16 Sept	3 - 7 Oct 10 - 14 Oct 24 - 28 Oct

[Contact us](#) now for more information.

KBA NoticeBoard

1. Paypal Link

It is great to see many of you signing up for the courses via our Online Registration Portal and paying using PAYPAL. This system was introduced after we received many requests from our students; seeking for easier training course application, registration and payment from anywhere in the world.

It is fantastic to see that the suggestion made by our clients and customers was implemented and is working so well. We encourage you to use our Online Registration to register for your next training course and make payments via PAYPAL. All these require only a few 'clicks' to complete!

2. CPR + AED Training for Internal Staff

On 12 Aug 2011, we have Simon, Sunny, Angelica and Jeslyn attended the CPR+AED Training for internal staff. After the training, we will have more trained personnel (after our accreditation) in the office to take care of our seniors!



Jeslyn: "Simon, you can do it! Come on - 30 compressions and 2 breaths"

Simon (Breathless): "I know, I know. I'm trying"

3. Darren's 50th Birthday Surprise



IOSH Member Exclusive Discount

IOSH Accident Investigation [GST Waive-Off Deal]

Please present this special coupon and you need not pay the 7% GST upon registering with our training coordinator. This coupon is transferable, so share this offer with your friends, colleagues or peers who have an interest of accident investigation. [Click Here](#) to know more about this course.

REGISTER NOW (For Full-Time Study)

Course Date : 1 - 2 Sept or 26 - 27 Sept 2011
Course Fee : S\$850 (NETT)*
Venue : KBA Training Centre, Singapore

**Offer is only valid for the above scheduled course dates.*

**For IOSH Member only, KBAT will absorb 7% GST.*

**Special Promotion "Provide a valid IOSH membership number and you will be entitled for this no GST promotion.*

Save 50%

NEBOSH Health & Safety at Work Qualifications [SPECIAL PROMOTION: 2 for the price of 1]

Please present this special coupon and you will be entitled for the special promotion: 2 for the price of 1, upon registering with our training coordinator. This coupon is transferable, so share this offer with your friends, colleagues or peers who have an interest of Health and Safety. [Click Here](#) to know more about this course.

REGISTER NOW (For Full-Time Study)

Course Date : 28 - 30 Nov 2011
Course Fee : S\$1445.00*
Venue : KBA Training Centre, Singapore

**Offer is only valid for the above scheduled course date.*

**Price inclusive of 7% GST*

**Special Promotion "2 for the price of 1" - Sign up for 2 persons and pay the course fee for 1 person only.*



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