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Dear Jeslyn,

November has been a '**Global**' month for KBAT with the Launch of the **first** Institution of Occupational Safety and Health (IOSH) UK Accredited 'Diving System Assurance Awareness' course which has been conducted in Singapore, New Orleans (twice) and Aberdeen (see more details below). Apart from this one day awareness course, we have a comprehensive five day 'Diving System Assurance course', which has been conducted in Singapore as well as a BESPOKE course for one of the leading diving contractors' personnel in Aberdeen.

In addition, we are pleased to announce that our **OGP Worksite Representatives** five day training course and **Diving System Assurance** five day training has been audited by BP/OGP. Also, we have recently launched two new training courses - Deck Decompression Chamber Operator course was conducted for a client based in Korea and the **first** Inland/ Inshore diving supervisors course in Singapore.

We are in the midst of expanding our training courses where we are working with NSL; we will soon (January 2012) be opening the rigging/lifting training centre at Changi (the first of its kind in Singapore). Located in our 14,000 sqft training facility along side our IRATA training centre, Kirby Morgan Helmet Maintenance classroom and our fantastic new Working @ Height facilities. This is an exciting development for both NSL and KBA whilst bringing high quality training and competence development for rigging and lifting to the region.

In March 2012, we will be introducing OPITO Competence Assessor Training course, this two-day course will be delivered by our training partner ITB who are based in Aberdeen (see more details below).

Year 2012 training schedule is now available on our website; so energise your career and personal development, plan and stay ahead with your competency. Even divers working in saturation are looking at personal development and training while in saturation (see under **TOP NEWS** section for more information). In 2012, we will be bringing selected courses to the 'Heart of Singapore' - conducting them at YMCA in Orchard road; this will make KBA Training more accessible to you especially the Singapore market. Along with new

training options, Year 2012 will also be a special year for KB Associates Group - marking our **10th Year Anniversary** in business.

Not to forget, KBA have also been busy; with the raising awareness of system assurance, the requirements for Failure Mode Effects Analysis and Failure Mode Effects Critical Analysis (FMEA/FMECA) are established and 'tested' along with the continual requirements for system assurance audits which is raising the benchmark of safety on the work site.

Lastly, for those of you who have yet to visit our office/training centre, we have consolidated some photos below for your viewing.

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

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## Top News

### 1. Diving System Assurance Awareness (1Day) course has been accredited by Institution of Occupational Safety and Health (IOSH)

We are pleased to announce that our Diving System Assurance Awareness (1Day) course has been accredited by IOSH. This implies the quality and relevancy of the training as well as the professional qualification that you can expect at the end of the course. The Institution of Occupational Safety & Health is the Chartered body for health and safety professionals. With more than 38,000 individual members it is the biggest health and safety organisation in the world.

This intensive one day course will introduce industry personnel to the principles of the Diving System and equipment assurance requirements and processes. It covers a comprehensive 'snap shot' review of IMCA diving assurance guidelines and requirements such as when and how the assurance process should be carried out, how to prepare for and what to expect during the assurance process.



[After IOSH accreditation, our first course that was held on the 24 Oct 2011.](#)

[From Left to Right: Darren Brunton \[Instructor\], John George Lambert, William John Horne, Abdul Malik, Thomas Laik Heng Sim](#)



**Student Feedback:**

"I enjoyed the course as it gives a better understanding on my job concern" - Mr. Thomas Laik.

If you are interested for the above training, [contact us](#) now.

**2) KBAT commence training contract with Rolls Royce**

On the 1st December, KBAT commence our training contract with Rolls Royce to deliver Risk Management Training to their employees based in Asia Pacific region. This training is a two-day programme and will be conducted at Rolls Royce new facility at Seletar Air Base. We are looking forward to work with Rolls Royce in the coming year, delivering their training requirements as their new manufacturing facility and operations grow in Singapore and the region.

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**3) Divers in Saturation - Available in Distance and E-Learning**

In October we were contacted by a couple of divers in Saturation enquiring on training courses they can undertake while in Saturation. With the launch of our two new modes of study (distance learning and E-learning) for **NEBOSH International General Certificate** and **NEBOSH Technical Certificate in Oil and Gas Operational Safety** and with the availability of internet access in the chambers, it provides a fantastic opportunity to develop your skills and make full use of your time while in saturation/decompressing.

What's more, most of the course fees cost less than a day of your pay. [Contact us](#) if you would like to know more information.

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**4) KBAT will be delivering ITB OPITO Competence Assessor Training - New**

KBAT are now working with ITB who are based in Aberdeen to deliver OPITO Competence Assessor Training in Singapore. This qualification is designed to be utilised by organisation where assessments are required as part of a competence management system and will be conducted over a two-day programme. Training course dates have been scheduled on the 5th - 6th March and 7th - 8th March 2012.

Seats are limited, [Contact us](#) for registration of if you would like to know more information.

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# Industry & Course Updates

## 1. Participated Event

### a) Safety & Security ASIA and Fire & Disaster ASIA 2011, 12 - 14 Oct 2011 held in Singapore

The 11th Safety & Security ASIA (SSA) and 9th Fire & Disaster ASIA (FDA) showcased a wide range of products and solutions catered to the needs of security, fire safety and disaster management community. with industry professionals gaining insights into trends and a great networking session.

This bi-annual event that has successfully positioned itself as the most established platform serving South-east Asia's security market; serving the needs of the security technology companies by providing an ideal launch pad. It effectively reaches out to South-east Asia's key markets such as Indonesia, Thailand, Philippines, Malaysia and Singapore.

During the exhibition, KBA Training organised a Lucky Draw where delegates who signed up our courses during the 3 days show stand a chance to win iPad2. We are pleased to announce that Mr. Anand Khadse is the LUCKY WINNER for KBAT Lucky Draw Dip.

"I am thankful to all staff of KBA for providing me the guidance and support to achieve my goal of completing NEBOSH International Diploma. Winning iPad2 is a great achievement and help me to be online during my business travel and still able to study whenever I am traveling." - **Mr. Anand Khadse.**



From Left: Ms. Joann Enrique, Mr. Paul Thomson (NSL), Ms. Jeslyn Chen, Mr. Darren Brunton



From Left: Mr. Anand Khadse, Mr. Colin Alexander (KBA's GM)

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### b) SISO 9th Annual Workplace Safety & Health Officers' Conference, 14 Nov 2011 held in Singapore

The Singapore Institution of Safety Officers held its 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Workplace Safety & Health Officers' Conference on 14 Nov 2011 at the Marina Bay Sands. This year, we saw the conference attracted more than 500 participants, comprising mainly WSH professionals.

KBA Training Centre were pleased to see some of our past and potential delegates and that we were always on their top of mind whenever they are seeking for Health and Safety training to enhance their competency.



Ms. Melissa Ashwell explaining to delegates on KBAT's Health & Safety training programme

## 2) Safety Department NEWS

### Special Deal

#### a) NEBOSH International General Certificate in Occupational Health and Safety

[REGISTER NOW](#)

##### Distance Learning

Course Fee : ~~S\$2,000~~ (Now \$1,500)

- \* For candidates living in Singapore, subject to 7% GST.
- \* Inclusive of (IGC 1 + IGC 2) coursebooks.
- \* Exam fee will be chargeable at S\$360.
- \* Special Deal ends on 15 Dec 2011

##### E-Learning

Course Fee: S\$1,200

[Click Here for the flyer](#)

#### b) NEBOSH International Technical Certificate in Oil and Gas Operational Safety

[REGISTER NOW](#)

##### Distance Learning

Course Fee : ~~S\$1,500~~ (Now \$1,200)

- \* For candidates living in Singapore, subject to 7% GST.
- \* Inclusive of coursebooks.
- \* Exam fee will be chargeable at S\$160.
- \* Special Deal ends on 15 Dec 2011

##### E-Learning

Course Fee: S\$995

[Click Here for the flyer](#)

## 3. Diving Department NEWS

#### a) Conducted first OGP (Diving) Worksite Representative Training in Singapore on 22 - 26 Aug and 28 Nov - 2nd Dec 2011.

After months of preparation, we had finally delivered our first OGP (Diving) Worksite Representative training on the 22 - 26 Aug 2011, in Singapore. This course has been developed to enable delegates to understand their roles and responsibilities as outlined by industry guidance documents issued by Oil & Gas Producers (OGP) and International Marine Contractors Association (IMCA) as well as any legislative requirements due to area of operation.



##### Feedbacks:

"Excellent course for anyone considering self improvement & awareness in the role of CSR for diving or ROV"  
- Anton Zanetich

"The course helped me better understand my role as CSR & refresh my safety knowledge" - Sunil K Balakrishnan

Contact Us to find out more on the course or our next training schedule.

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**b) Conducted KMDSI in Singapore on the 03 - 05 Oct 2011**

The DSI Basic maintenance & repair technician course instructs divers, tenders, and dive system technicians how to perform routine repair and maintenance of all KMDSI Helmets, BandMask, and other specific associated equipment including first stage regulators, whips and gauges. The course also teaches how to conduct Helmet and BandMask inspections, adjustments, and overhauls as well as face port insert testing and security, removal and repairing the side block, removal of weights and learn about the KMDSI set-up and maintenance checklists, and Operations and Maintenance Manuals.



[Contact us](#) now if you need more information or to register for our next training schedule.

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**c) Customised Diving System Assurance Awareness training for TECHNIP, 14 Nov 2011**

KBA Training Center launched our Diving System Assurance training course in August 2011, we are pleased that Technip UK identified the quality of this training course and requested for the course to be customised for their company systems and be delivered in Aberdeen to their onshore and offshore personnel. The first of the training courses was held at Northern Marine Training Center at Westhill, Aberdeen in November. During the 4 day training period, the course delegates consisting of onshore diving technical / equipment support personnel and offshore dive system technicians completed the 'IOSH Diving System Assurance Awareness course' with the extension of the 'Diving System Assurance training'.



[Contact us](#) now if you need more information or to arrange for a Bespoke programme.

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**d) Conducted Diving System Assurance (5 Day) training in Singapore, 21 - 25 Nov 2011**

KBA Training Centre conducted the **Diving System Assurance** training course (5 Day) in November 2011.

This intensive five day course introduce industry personnel to the principles of the Diving System and equipment assurance requirements and processes. This includes a comprehensive review of IMCA diving assurance requirements and guidelines. The course has been designed to provide potential diving system assurance personnel with the academic competence required to understand and interpret the diving equipment requirements, along with a detailed understanding of the assurance structure and the methodology of conducting the assurance process.

[Contact us](#) now for the next training schedule.



**e) Conducted our **FIRST** Deck Decompression Chamber Operator Course in Seoul, Korea**

Another first for KBAT was holding a Chamber Operator course in Busan, South Korea. We were invited by Korea Ocean Engineering & Consultants Co. Ltd (KOCECO) to run a course for the Korean Diving Society, KOSUST.

The course took place in the excellent setting of Busan University. Not only does it have great lecture facilities but it is also in a beautiful setting on a forested mountain. Classroom work, followed by hands-on training took place using a DDC specially mobilized to the university for the course.

The course organiser Professor Kim Do Hyun did an excellent job of organising the logistics for the course and providing translation services whenever required. A total of 15 students attended the three-day course. The students were given ample time to practice the routine and emergency drills they had learnt, and feedback gathered from the students was excellent. It is hoped that further training in Korea will take place in the near future.

The 3 day chamber operator course will be available in Singapore from 2012 with the first course scheduled on the 22<sup>nd</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> February, followed by 14<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> March, 4<sup>th</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> April, 9<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> May and 11<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> July.

[Contact us](#) now if you need more information.



## Training With Us

### 1. Upcoming KBAT courses: Dec 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 Dec schedule; for more information, please free feel to contact us.

COURSES	Dec 2011
<b>HEALTH &amp; SAFETY</b> : <a href="mailto:safetyadmin@kbassociates.org">safetyadmin@kbassociates.org</a> NEBOSH International General Certificate in OSH (Full Time) i. Singapore	05 - 17 Dec
NEBOSH ITC in Operational Oil and Gas Safety ii. Singapore iii. Bali, Indonesia	19 - 23 Dec 12 - 16 Dec
Kelvin TOP-SET, 01 DAY Investigator Course - Singapore	02 Dec
Kelvin TOP-SET, 03-Day Senior Investigator Course	19 - 21 Dec
<b>DIVING</b> : <a href="mailto:divingadmin@kbassociates.org">divingadmin@kbassociates.org</a> IMCA Trainee Air Diving Supervisor IMCA Trainee Bell Diving Supervisor -	05 - 09 Dec 12 - 15 Dec

### 2. Upcoming KB Access IRATA Rope Access Training; Nov - Dec 2011 Schedule

COURSES	Nov 2011	Dec 2011
IRATA Rope Access Training (Level 1 - 3)	21 - 25 Nov	28 Nov - 02 Dec 12 - 16 Dec 19 - 23 Dec

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

## KBA NoticeBoard

### 1. Classroom Facilities

In this issue, we would like to share with you the facilities that you are able to enjoy when you are in KBA office.

- Student Pantry: Where you can mingle with the peers and have free flow of Coffee/Tea, as well as a shared PC.
- Free Wi-Fi Available.
- Clean and spacious classroom
- Shuttle KBA mini-bus to drive you to lunch.

Our fully equipped facilities will ensure you a pleasant learning experience.  
Plus KBAT guarantee 100% pass rate\*.

\*Where students do not pass the examination the first time, KBAT will provide the necessary assistance until achievement.



KBA, Main Entrance



KBA, Reception Area



KBA, Reception Counter



KBA, Student Pantry



KBA, Student Pantry



KBA, Student Pantry



KBA, Training Room 2



KBA, Training Room 3



KBA, Training Room 3



KBA, Training Room 5



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