



Workplace Safety and Health (WSH) Council

Established on 1 April 2008, the Workplace Safety and Health (WSH) Council comprises leaders appointed from major industry sectors, government, unions and employers. The Council works closely with the Ministry of Manpower and other government agencies, the tripartite partners, the industry, and professional associations to raise WSH standards in Singapore. The Council's main functions are to build industry capabilities to better manage WSH; promote safety and health at work and recognise companies with good WSH records; and set acceptable WSH practices.

WSH Council (Chemical Industries) Committee

Formed in May 2009, the WSH Council (Chemical Industries) Committee comprises representatives from the chemical companies, trade associations, professional bodies and statutory boards. The Committee identifies, champions and implements WSH initiatives to improve WSH standards in the Chemical Industries.

In 2022, the Committee spearheaded the organisation of the WSH Leadership Convention: ChemPact 2022, rallying industry leaders to demonstrate proactive leadership through their WSH Pledges. These pledges signify the leaders' commitment towards providing a safer and healthier working environment for their employees.

Another initiative of the Committee is the Jurong Island Vision Zero (JIVZ) Cluster, which facilitates WSH knowledge sharing amongst its stakeholders, raising WSH standards as they embrace Vision Zero. The Cluster's strong belief in VZ is evident in its sharing of good WSH practices through quarterly JIVZ forums, with topics like working at heights, process safety and confined space safety.

Moving forward: WSH 2028

The WSH Council (Chemical Industries) Committee strives towards achieving the WSH 2028 vision. Key initiatives include the following.

1. Strengthen WSH ownership by instilling the importance of VZ through the sharing of good WSH practices during JIVZ forums and site visits, and supporting the formation of new VZ clusters in other sectors, such as Manufacturing.
2. Enhance focus on workplace health by raising awareness on workplace mental wellbeing at JIVZ forums, ChemPact 2022 and WSH Insights sharing for C-suite.
3. Promote technology-enabled WSH by encouraging technology adoption such as worker location tracing and geofencing, and digital twin solutions.
4. Make use of the resource guide on WSH technology developed by the WSH Institute, to share more about available grants for companies to tap on when adopting technology.