



## Workshop Agenda

October 21-22, 2009 • Sheraton Chapel Hill • Chapel Hill, NC

### Wednesday, October 21, 2009

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| 8:00 – 9:00   | <b>Registration and Continental Breakfast</b>  | <i>Lobby</i>                 |
| 9:00 – 9:15   | <b>Introductions and Welcome</b>   | <i>Amsterdam/London Room</i> |
|               | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Chip Hughes, Program Director, WETP, Division of External Research and Training (DERT), NIEHS</li><li>• Gwen Collman, Acting Director, DERT, NIEHS</li></ul>   |                              |
| 9:15 – 9:45   | <b>Keynote address</b>   |                              |
|               | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Margaret Kitt, Deputy Director for Program, NIOSH</li><li>• Paul Schulte, Director, Education and Information Division, NIOSH</li></ul>  |                              |
| 9:45 – 11:00  | <b>Global Harmonization of Hazard Communication</b>  |                              |
|               | <p>In 2003, the United Nations (UN) adopted the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labeling of Chemicals (GHS). The GHS includes criteria for the classification of health, physical and environmental hazards, and specifies what information should be included on labels of hazardous chemicals and safety data sheets. With OSHA's proposed standard to modify its Hazard Communication Standard to conform with GHS out for comment, this panel will discuss the impact of the proposal on workers and provide thoughts as to whether this proposal provides an improvement to the current Hazard Communication Standard.</p>   |                              |
|               | <p><b>Moderator:</b> Donald Elisburg, National Clearinghouse</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Rem Gaade, Gaade &amp; Associates</li><li>• Michele Sullivan, MRS Associates</li><li>• Mike Wright, United Steelworkers</li></ul>   |                              |
| 11:00 – 11:15 | <b>Break</b>   |                              |
| 11:15 – 12:30 | <b>Control Banding and Nanotechnology and their implications for workers and worker training</b>   |                              |
|               | <p>Nanotechnology carries tremendous promise, but could produce so many new compounds that OSHA's regulatory mechanism could be severely taxed. Currently there are 600 OSHA PELs and 80,000 chemicals in regular use. Nanotechnology could theoretically produce orders of magnitude more. Determining appropriate sampling schemes for nanomaterials has proven difficult and expensive. Consequently, control banding, as an alternative approach, has been garnering great interest. This panel will explore the latest developments in nanotechnology, both in technical accomplishments and federal policy. The potential for control banding will also be reviewed with a demonstration of how it can be applied to nanotechnology.</p> |                              |
|               | <p><b>Moderator:</b> Bruce Lippy, The Lippy Group</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Rick Niemeier, NIOSH</li><li>• Kristen Kulinowski, Center for Biological and Environmental Nanotechnology, Rice University</li><li>• Sam Paik, Lawrence Livermore National Lab</li></ul>   |                              |

12:30 – 1:25	Lunch	<i>Venetian Room</i>
1:25 – 1:45	Les Leopold on his book <u>The Looting of America</u>	<i>Amsterdam/London Room</i>
1:45 – 3:00	<p><b>REACH and its implications for workers and worker training</b></p> <p>This panel will present various perspectives on how REACH is working in the EU and what it might mean about the prospects of replacing dangerous chemicals with safer alternatives in the U.S.</p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Paul Renner, Labor Institute</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Joel Tickner, University of Massachusetts, Lowell</li> <li>• Sean Mahar, Euro Safety and Health</li> </ul>	
3:00 – 3:20	Break and move to concurrent sessions	
3:20 – 5:00	<p><b>Concurrent Roundtable Discussions with Panelists</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Control banding and nanotechnology and their implications for workers and worker training <i>Vienna Room</i></li> <li>• Global harmonization and the HAZCOM standard – this breakout will discuss the proposed rule and begin to craft appropriate comments. <i>Brussels Room</i></li> <li>• REACH and its implications for workers and worker training <i>Paris Room</i></li> </ul>	
6:00	Group Dinner	<i>Top of the Hill</i>

## Thursday, October 22, 2009

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8:00 – 9:00	Registration and Continental Breakfast	<i>Lobby</i>
9:00 – 9:20	Summary of previous day	<i>Amsterdam/London Room</i>
9:20 – 11:30	<p><b>Looking South: Awardee experiences in Latin America</b></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Ted Outwater, WETP, NIEHS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ingrid Zubieta, UCLA, Labor Occupational Safety and Health Program and Mike Wright, United Steelworkers - UCLA/USW Collaboration on safety and health at the Cananea mine in Mexico.</li> </ul> <p><b>Break</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Don Ellenberger, CPWR – The Center for Construction Research and Training – Report on two trips to Mexico with CPWR instructors.</li> <li>• Javier Saracho, Universidad Metropolitana (UMET) - Puerto Rico as a gateway for safety and health training in South America.</li> </ul>	
11:30 – 12:00	Wrap up	

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