

IECEX/QPS INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE PROGRAM

Monday, October 2nd

- 9:00 - 9:15 am - **Opening Remarks**
*Nick Maalouf, P. Eng,
Vice President External Affairs and Business Development, QPS*
- 9:15 - 9:30 am - **Keynote Address: Update from the IEC and the IEC Conformity Assessment Systems**
An overview of key activities at the IEC and with the IEC Conformity Assessment Systems including topics such as the IEC Strategic Plan...
Read more... *Shawn Paulsen, IEC Vice President*
- 9:30 - 10:30 am - **UN Keynote Address**
Accidents and explosions in mines and offshore facilities result in loss of life, widespread environmental damage and economic losses...
Read more... *Frank Lienesch, UNECE SIEEE &
Lance Thompson, UNECE Secretary WP.6*
- 10:30 - 10:45 am - **Coffee Break**
- 10:45 - 11:30 am - **An Overview of IECEX**
Uncover key benefits of the IECEX System and its operating scheme; what makes it successful and why everyone can use it from...
Read more... *Paul Meanwell, IECEX Chair*
- 11:30 - 12:30 pm - Lunch**
- 12:30 - 1:45 pm - **60079-46 Equipment Assembly**
Explore the scope, history, requirements and applicability of North America and possible future of the IEC TS 60079-46 and C22.2 No...
Read more... *Tony DeSousa, Senior Engineer, QPS*
- 1:45 - 2:00 pm - **Coffee Break**
- 2:00 - 3:30 pm - **Application of IEC 60079-10-1 for Classifying Areas Where Explosive Gas Atmospheres May Exist**
Learn how to classify locations for the application of IEC 60079-10-1. Some of the topics discussed include: Hazardous area classification...
Read more... *Allan Bozek, Engworks*
- 3:30 - 5:00 pm - **Comparison of the Approval of Ex Products, in Europe, the UK, the IECEX and North America**
Learn about the certification requirements for Ex Equipment and Components in Ex Areas in North America, Europe and Globally...
Read more... *Rob Kohuch, P. Eng Senior Engineer, QPS*



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Tuesday, October 3rd

- 9:00 - 10:30 am - **Standards and International Certification Scheme for Equipment using Hydrogen Technology**
Read more... *Dr. Arnhold Thorsten*
- 10:30 - 10:45 am - **Coffee Break**
- 10:45 - 12:30 pm - **Best Practices for Designing Equipment for Intrinsic Safety**
Understand the challenges of a complex "IS" system and explore the three main components that make up an intrinsic safety system...
Read more... *Behzad Nejad, Hazcon, Inc*
- 12:30 - 1:30 pm - Lunch**
- 1:30 - 2:45 pm - **Route to Global Certification**
Navigating the world of conformity assessment, including certification, can be a daunting task. While the concept of "one standard, one set...
Read more... *Marty Cole, Hubbell Canada*
- 2:45 - 3:00 pm - **Coffee Break**
- 3:00 - 4:15 pm - **Personnel Competency - What it is, Why it is Important and How to Achieve it**
Gain in-depth knowledge of the IECEx Personnel Competency Scheme and why it is important throughout the Ex world and how specifically...
Read more... *Bob Johnson, Owner/President, Source IEx, USA*