

Programme

- 09.00** Coffee and Registration
- 09.30** President's welcome to delegates
- 09.45** BCGA Publications
- 10.15** TSC 3 – Welding Matters
- 10.30** TSC 1 – Safety Distances & Cryostorage
- 10.45** **Coffee Break**
- 11.10** HASAG – Reducing Risk
- 11.25** TSC 8 – Carboniferous Period
- 11.40** UKLPG – Rob Shuttleworth
- 12.10** Diving Gases – Gary Homewood
- 12.40** **Lunch**
- 13.55** The British Cryogenic Cluster – David Cooke
- 14.15** Refrigerants; The Quest for the Holy Grail – John Ormerod
- 14.45** Challenges Ahead for Our Industry – Mike Huggon
- 15.15** **Coffee Break**
- 15.40** How Safe Are You? – Jon Butterworth MBE
- 16.20** The Battle of Britain – Stephen Carver
- 17.20** President's Closing Remarks
- Reception and Dinner**
- 19.15** President's Reception
- 20.00** Annual Dinner

Dress Code:

Daywear - Business Casual
Annual Dinner - Lounge Suits

Golf Event

A golf event has been organised for the morning after the conference. Please note that there will not be an AGM on that day. We will arrange an informal Stableford competition, with tee times booked, starting at 8.30am. Soup and Sandwiches are included within the price, and various prizes will be awarded after the event. We have a limited number of places, so please book early.

BCGA

The BCGA represents manufacturers and suppliers of bulk liquid and cylinder gases, manufacturers of cylinders, vessels and tanks for their storage and distribution, manufacturers of equipment for controlling the application and use of gases, installers of distribution pipework and systems and providers of specialist health, safety, environmental, quality, inspection and training services.

Our objectives are to promote safe practice, participate in writing industry standards, and provide Government departments with access to expert advice and to assist in the preparation of practicable and relevant legislation.

Members work together on technical, health, safety & environmental issues to achieve high standards of integrity and environmental care, both within their own and their customers' sites.

BCGA promotes technology and safe practice through its publications, which include Codes of Practice, Guidance Notes and Technical Information Sheets. It also participates in the preparation and revision of National, European and International Standards.

BCGA is a member of the European Industrial Gases Association (EIGA), and of the CBI and Trade Association Forum.

British Compressed Gases Association

Registration details for the Conference can be found on BCGA's website: www.bcga.co.uk

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Conference 2012

The 2012 BCGA conference will focus on all aspects of safe working practices within the gas industry. A range of topics that apply to many of us in our working lives have been included.

Technical Committee Report

This section will highlight the important work and achievements of the various BCGA Technical Committees over the last twelve months.

UKLPG

– Rob Shuttleworth

Rob is Chief Executive of UKLPG and has worked in the liquefied petroleum gas business since 2000. Prior to that he worked for JET Petrol in its retail and marketing divisions and was responsible for the roll out of a new brand identity for the forecourt and shop network. He has a background in travel and transport marketing.

Rob will discuss the role LPG can play in contributing to the sustainability of rural life.

Diving Gases

– Gary Homewood

Gary is a senior manager within Air Products and has over 20 years of experience in a wide variety of commercial roles. At present he is responsible for the offshore business within Europe and Africa. For relaxation, Gary is a volunteer Coxswain for the RNLI in an all-weather boat out of Peterhead.

Gary will provide an overview of the gases used within the challenging environment of the offshore industry.

The British Cryogenic Cluster

– David Cooke

David began his career at the UK Atomic Energy Authority in 1986, just as the Chernobyl incident occurred and spent the next two years working on the fallout from that disaster (literally). After several years within the civil engineering industry, David moved to Thames Cryogenics in 1996, selling cryogenic plumbing to industry throughout the UK and beyond.

David, who is active in the British Cryogenics Council, will provide an overview of the UK's unparalleled international strength in cryogenic technology and how the initiative is generating new training and education programmes.

Refrigerants; The Quest for the Holy Grail

– John Ormerod

John, a chemical engineer, has spent ten years working for Afrox in gas applications, bulk sales and the LPG business. In 2009 John joined A-Gas, the UK refrigerant re-packer and is currently the UK's Business Director.

John will summarise the legislation which drives the industry, the challenges presented by phasing out of common refrigerants, the fourth generation fluorinated refrigerants and the tradeoffs that will need to be made.

Challenges Ahead for Our Industry

– Mike Huggon

Mike, Managing Director UK and Ireland, first joined BOC in 1978, working in a variety of roles in the UK before taking four years out of the company to broaden his experience in the aerospace industry. He rejoined as MD in Hong Kong, prior to returning to the UK in 2007,

post the Linde acquisition. In May 2011 Mike also became Chairman of Afrox.

As a senior man in the gases industry, Mike will share his perspective on the challenges facing the sector, including the need to balance energy costs and security of supply with sustainability, and the increasing importance of innovation to our industry.

How Safe Are You?

– Jon Butterworth MBE

Jon has been in the gas industry for 32 years holding varied roles from Managing Director of North West Gas to the Operations Director of Britain's gas emergency service. Jon is currently responsible for the group safety of National Grid, the strategic and future direction of our sustainability and climate change agenda and also has global responsibility for crisis response and incident command.

Jon will focus on the importance of how gas is both flammable and inertly displaced in Oxygen in the workplace and recognising key learning from Piper Alpha.

The Battle of Britain

– Stephen Carver

We are also delighted to welcome back Stephen Carver. Many of you may remember his previous fascinating presentations about the Space Shuttle and 1066. As our final speaker, Stephen will give a lively presentation entitled – The Battle of Britain.