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# PASMA training courses for Middle East



PASMA has introduced three training courses for end users in the Middle East region. They are available to book through local, approved training centres. The courses are:

- Low Level Access
- Combined Low Level Access and Towers for Users
- Work at Height Essentials

Low Level Access is a half-day course catering for users of low level access equipment such as podiums and pulpits which, if appropriate, can be combined with PASMA's flagship training course, Towers for Users.

Work at Height Essentials is also a half day course and focuses on the fundamentals of height safety - from ladders and mobile access towers to mobile elevating work platforms and scaffolding.



PASMA training is now available in the Middle East

PASMA's head of international development, Sarah Nunn said: "We work closely with government, safety organisations and industry across the region to promote safety and best practice. Professional training is an integral part of that process. These courses, delivered by expert local instructors trained specifically by PASMA, will equip users with the knowledge and skills they need to keep safe when working at height - still a major cause of deaths and injuries in the workplace."

"Every instructor has been carefully selected and trained to the highest standards based on the latest techniques, guidance and industry knowledge. Their experience and expertise will be invaluable to anyone working at height."

The association has recently launched the PASMA Safety at Height Advisory Panel to promote safety in the Middle East.

## PASMA members' conference

Booking is now open for this year's PASMA Members' Conference which will take place at Coombe Abbey on Friday, 7th July. A highlight in the PASMA calendar, it provides a unique opportunity to review the association's recent achievements and to reflect on current developments - including the conversion of PAS 250 to BS 8620. More at [www.pasma.co.uk](http://www.pasma.co.uk)



## Technical officer required

The association is currently recruiting a permanent, full-time technical officer with the relevant knowledge, experience and qualifications to assist and support the PASMA technical director on a day-to-day basis both in the UK and overseas. A full job description is available on the PASMA website.

## PASMA reaches out to small businesses

As part of the Access Industry Forum (AIF), PASMA has contributed to the first of a proposed series of 'Working Well at Height' events organised jointly by the Forum and members of the Health & Safety Executive's national Working Well Together campaign. Held in Plymouth, the free, half-day event attracted small to medium sized enterprises and the self-employed from all sectors of the roofing and construction industry, all of whom were keen to learn more about safe working at height.

The event included talks and practical demonstrations, and the AIF was represented by PASMA - together with EPF, FASET, IPAF, NASC and the Ladder Association - all of which provided best practice advice and guidance for builders when using towers, edge protection, safety nets, MEWPs, scaffolding and ladders respectively.

Every delegate received a copy of the latest AIF Pocket Card giving basic information about height safety, together with the contact details of all eleven member organisations of the Forum. The event generated considerable interest amongst those attending, in particular the opportunity to ask questions of the various experts representing the associations and federations taking part.



## London Work at Height Seminar

PASMA will take part in the 2017 London Work at Height Seminar on Monday, 10 July, which will be held at the Guildhall in London.

The seminar, comprising technical presentations and equipment demonstrations, is supported by the City of London Corporation and is aimed at local government officers, health and safety professionals, and building and facilities managers involved in working at height in the City of London and beyond.

Home to the City of London Corporation, the Guildhall provides a unique backdrop to national events and celebrations and is the host venue for the annual Lord Mayor's Banquet. Registration is from 09.00 to 09.50.

More information at [www.lwahs.co.uk](http://www.lwahs.co.uk)



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