EPSC: What?

- A company member network to develop and promote best practice in the field of process safety
- An English speaking network
- Established by the EFCE in 1992
- Administred by IChemE.
- Staff team 2 full time, 3 part time
Objectives

• Information – direct help and sign posting
• Research & Development – EU funded participation & co-ordination
• Legislation especially Seveso
• Know how exchange
EPSC: Who?

- Member companies primarily major hazards sector
- Also several research institutes, insurers & consultancies.
- Company contacts mainly corporate safety professionals
EPSC: Where?

• Territory is Europe, mostly concentrated in Germany, Belgium, Netherlands, UK & Switzerland

• Within Europe our ambitions are to reach other regions such as Eastern Europe.

• EPSC currently hosts two delegations each year from Russia & Kazakhstan at its UK offices
EPSC: Outputs

• Internal reports produced by EPSC staff or commissioned via third party
• Publish books through IChemE mainly commissions or English translation of foreign language text (e.g. French, Swedish)
• Public conferences esp. with TACook
• Participation in EU funded projects and working groups in safety related fields.
Co-operation with other bodies

- Seveso Technical Working Groups (TWG) and Mutual Joint Visits (MJV)
- Member of Seveso Expert Group
- Cefic esp. process safety performance indicators
- OECD Corporate Governance guidance
- UNECE Industrial Accidents Convention
- UNEP Flexible Framework programme
Nurturing Excellence

• Annual Award since 1998 recipients include Andrew Hopkins and US CSB.
• Since 2004 ENSIACET Toulouse has supplied 5 summer intern students to EPSC.
• Since 1999 3 staff members have achieved MSc in Process Safety and Loss Prevention at University of Sheffield.
EPSC 2013 Crop of Projects

• Risk acceptance criteria in facility siting within chemical parks.
• Selecting the “least worst” risk management tool.
• Uniform approach to process safety application across a global business.
Future direction of travel

• Extend geographical reach to all corners of Europe.
• Network with major hazardous industries across all sectors.
• Act as process safety advisor of first resort to international bodies and groups.
• Work with the academic community to improve understanding of process safety.
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