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IRATA Technical Event and Conference

WELCOME TO ITEC SYDNEY

I take great delight in welcoming our members to our 2019 ITEC in Sydney, Australia, which will symbolise our 30th anniversary. It has truly been an honour to serve as your Chairman for the past two years and once again I look forward to our most important event in the IRATA calendar, which brings together many of our international members to share their industry knowledge, offer opinions and learn more about our strategic direction.

Over the following three days you will discover more about the work undertaken by our committees and staff over the past twelve months and their work planned for the future. We have a number of guest speakers covering a wide range of work at height and safety subjects. Our Technical Day will be made up of practical and screen presentations coupled with exhibitor presentations. To close the event our Annual Dinner and Award Ceremony will be held in full view of the picturesque Darling Harbour.

Throughout 2019, we continued to grow at pace and now represent 522 member companies headquartered in 65 countries, with 66 pending member applications, resulting in an increase of 11% in membership. Our technician numbers continue to increase with growth of 23%, from 60,039 technicians in 2018 to 73,928 technicians as at September 2019.

Over the past twelve months I have been pleased to represent a dedicated and diverse Executive Committee who oversaw the review of our Audit Scheme, Membership Requirements, the completion of our follow-up Edge Management Video, the Dropped Object campaign and the expansion of our Training Department. After a considerable effort from the Working Group and HO staff RAMRASS is now ready to be trialled in our North Sea Operators and Scandinavia RACs, this is a significant milestone for the Association. Additionally, by the time you read this, we would have trained and appointed 14 new Auditors to service the most in need regions.

In 2019/2020, we will continue to redefine our policies and procedures to align with the requirements of ISO 17024 and grow the Head Office Team in order to improve the services provided to members and industry.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our Committees, Auditors, Assessors, Instructors, Technicians and Head Office staff for their committed contribution to another successful year in our 30-year history.

Jonathan Capper

IRATA International Chairman

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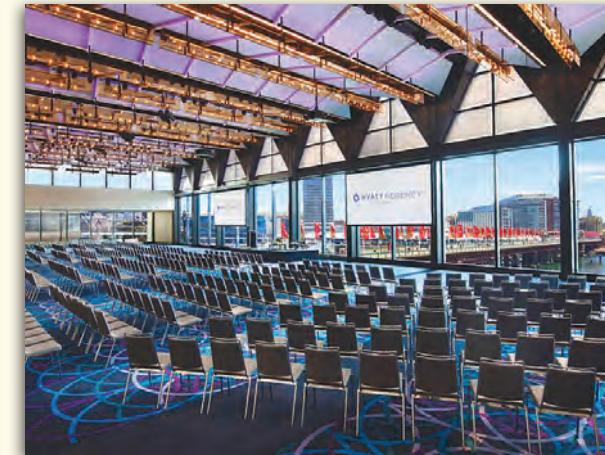
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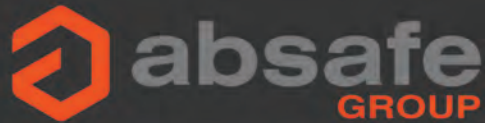
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8 October

09:00	Registration
10:00	Welcome from IRATA Chairman RAC Presentations: Australasia, Benelux, Brazil, D-A-CH, Eastern Europe, Mediterranean
11:00	Coffee Break & Networking
11:30	RAC Presentations (cont.): Middle East, Central Asia & South Asia, North America, North Sea Operators, Scandinavia, South Africa, South East Asia & Far East, UK
12:30	Lunch & Networking
14:00	Health and Safety Committee Presentation WASA Video Presentation (Dr Chris Robbins) Guest Speaker Q&A Session
16:00	Coffee Break & Networking



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WEDNESDAY

9 October

09:00	Technical Event
11:00	Coffee Break & Networking
11:30	Technical Event (cont.): Tensioned lines Rigging and rescue
12:30	Lunch & Networking
14:00	Guest Speaker Training Committee Presentation
16:00	Coffee Break & Networking

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09:00	Equipment & Standards Committee Presentation Guest Speaker
11:00	Coffee Break & Networking
11:30	Guest Speaker Equipment & Standards Committee Presentation (cont.) Q&A Session
12:30	Lunch & Networking
14:00	Annual General Meeting
16:00	Coffee Break & Networking
19:00	Annual Dinner: Pre-dinner Drinks, Dinner, Award Ceremony and Entertainment at Hyatt Regency Sydney

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