



**ICOH 2006-2008 TRIENNIUM  
MIDTERM SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE REPORT**

**MIDTERM REPORT  
Covering June 2006 – October 2007**

Note: We are using an identical format for the SC Midterm and Final Reports. Each covers a specified timeframe. **The SC Midterm Report covers June 2006 – October 31, 2007. Please return it no later than December 1, 2007 to:**

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**The SC Midterm Report will be maintained on the ICOH Scientific Committee Virtual Office at [www.icohweb.org/scvo](http://www.icohweb.org/scvo).**

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**Submitted by Scientific Committee:** Occupational Health in Small Scale Enterprises and the Informal Sector

**Date:** 20/12/2007

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From year: 2006

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From year: 2006

**SC Website URL:** Not established

**Other SC Means of Communications: E-mail**

**Focus and aim of Scientific Committee:**

1. Exchange the knowledge on the measures to improve working conditions and workers' health in small scale enterprises and the informal sector among the SC members.
2. Provide practical tools and knowledge on work improvement to managers and workers of SSE and IS, and OSH specialists concerned.

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**PART I – ACTIVITIES: Business meetings, Conferences, Seminars and Workshops  
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*Please note collaborations with other SCs, WHO, ILO and NGOs.*

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No meetings were held during the period. Discussion on the topics at the meeting in the next ICOH Congress in South Africa was conducted among the Chairman, Secretary and other active members through e-mail.

1) **Business meeting:** Venue:

Date:  
 Number of attendees:  
 Date report sent to VP Fingerhut (Please use Business Report form in SC Virtual Office at <http://www.icohweb.org/scvo/>):

**2) Business meeting:**

Venue:  
 Date:  
 Number of attendees:  
 Date report sent to VP Fingerhut (Please use Business Report form in SC Virtual Office at <http://www.icohweb.org/scvo/>):

**3) Business meeting:**

Venue:  
 Date:  
 Number of attendees:  
 Date report sent to VP Fingerhut (Please use Business Report form in SC Virtual Office at <http://www.icohweb.org/scvo/>):

**Conferences, Seminars, Workshops, Courses, etc:**

*(please fill in the tables)*

<b>(1) Name of the event:</b>					
<b>Type of event:</b>	<b>Conference</b>	<b>Seminar</b>	<b>Workshop</b>	<b>Course</b>	<b>Other</b>
<b>Date:</b>					
<b>Venue:</b>					
<b>Organizers:</b>					
<b>Co-organizers and Collaborators: Please describe roles.</b>					
<b>Number of participants:</b>					
<b>Publication of proceedings:</b>					
<b>Book of abstracts:</b>					
<b>Book of selected proceedings:</b>					
<b>Special issue of peer reviewed journals:</b>					
<b>Assessment of success:</b>					

<b>(2) Name of the event:</b>					
<b>Type of event:</b>	<b>Conference</b>	<b>Seminar</b>	<b>Workshop</b>	<b>Course</b>	<b>Other</b>
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<b>proceedings:</b>	
<b>Special issue of peer reviewed journals:</b>	
<b>Assessment of success:</b>	

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**PART II Midterm Report: SC Products and Collaborations June 2006 – September 30, 2007  
Publications, Guidelines\*, Position Papers\*, etc**

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**Publications, Proceedings, Guidelines\*, Position Papers\*, etc.** Provide title, authors, full citation. SCs are encouraged to produce ICOH Guidelines\* and Position Papers\*. \*Guidelines and Position Papers must be approved by the ICOH SC Vice Presidents, Secretary General and President.

**None**

**Cooperation with other Scientific Committees:** (If cooperation in a Conference not listed above, provide title, dates, location and role of each SC. Provide relevant details of other collaborations with SCs.)

**None**

**Participation and support to WHO – ILO meetings and or publications:** (If cooperation in a Conference not listed above, provide title, dates, location and role of each. Provide relevant details of other collaborations with WHO and/or ILO.)

**None**

**Cooperation with non-ICOH organizations:** (If cooperation in a Conference not listed above, provide title, dates, location and role of each. Provide relevant details of collaborations other than conferences.)

**None**

**Any other points of relevance:**

**Not specially**

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**PART III Midterm Report: SC PLANS for second half of Triennium and for ICOH 2009:  
October 1, 2007 – March 30, 2009**

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**Planned business meetings, conferences, seminars:** (provide title, location, date if possible)

**Planned collaborative Activities with other ICOH Scientific Committees:** (Provide Conference title, dates, location and role of each SC. Provide relevant details of other collaborations with SCs.)

**Planned collaborative Activities with other (Non-ICOH) Organizations:** (Provide Conference title, dates, location and role of the SC. Provide relevant details of collaborations other than conferences.)

**SC will collaborate with research centre DAVID on the international Conference on SME's in 2009 in Denmark. Panu Oksa will be member of the organizing committee.**

**Planned Publications, Position papers, etc.:** (Provide title, authors, timeframe, publication, if known)

**Planned Scientific Contributions to ICOH 2009:** (Be specific: List title of scientific sessions, speakers, abstract reviewers, business meeting, etc.)

**Number: T32, Oral Paper Session: Informal sector and small -scale enterprises.**

**Reviewer names and email addresses: Peter Hasle (Denmark), Toru Itani (Switzerland), Kazutaka Kogi (Japan), David Koh (Singapore), Suvi Lehtinen (Finland), Panu Oksa (Finland), Wai-On Phoon (Australia), Jaehoon Roh (Korea)**

**Mini symposium Title<sup>1</sup>: Innovative Approaches for Small-scale Enterprises and the Informal Sector**

**Presenters (*will be confirmed*)**

- 1. Ms. Sudthida Krungkrai Wong (NICE, Thailand)**
- 2. Dr. Tsuyoshi Kawakami (Bangkok SRO, ILO)**
- 3. Dr. Paula Naumanen (Finland, FIOH)**

**Business meeting**

**Any other points of relevance:**

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#### **PART IV – Assessment of Success of SC and Impact on Global Occupational Health**

**We want to understand and share widely the value and impact of the work of the Scientific Committees on improving global occupational health. Please look back into the past and provide an assessment.**

The activity of our SC has been put stress on holding symposia and other scientific meetings.

Through the meetings we have exchanged scientific knowledge and provided fruits of the scientific activities to OH specialists, OH personnel, employers and workers. We think more activity is required in providing scientific knowledge and tools to support OH activities in SSE and IS.

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**Midterm Report:** Please assess the success of the SC and its influence in improving global occupational health as a result of the work *prior to* the current Triennium. Give examples where possible.

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