

## **UNISON's National Health and Safety Seminar 2019**

Registration on the UNISON online conference system (OCS) for the 2019 UNISON National Health and Safety Seminar "The Future of Health and Safety" is now officially open!!

And in truly "National" fashion – we are on our way to Belfast's iconic venue - The Waterfront in Northern Ireland

We will be looking at what the future of health and safety could look like following the UK's Exit from the EU and what we, at UNISON, can do to protect our hard won protections. We will have a day packed with keynote speakers, plenary sessions, interesting and interactive workshops on popular topics and introducing new concepts to improve health safety and well-being at work.

There will also be plenty of opportunity to network and exchange ideas with your safety activist peers and guests.

The day is aimed at safety reps, activists and those who want to get involved in improving health and safety in the workplace

This one day seminar is being held on **Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2019** and "Early Bird" day delegate rate is **£100 per delegate**

**This highly anticipated one-day seminar has attracted up to 350 delegates on previous occasions – so make sure you don't miss the boat!**

**2019 is also the "Year of the Young Member" and with this in mind, we would like to offer the first 26 members, aged 26 and under, a 26% discount on their seminar delegate rate!**

**Online Booking will close at 5pm on 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2019**

For more information go to the UNISON website

**How can I get booked on?** Booking your place at the seminar couldn't be easier – but you will need authorisation from your Branch Secretary.

Please contact your Branch Secretary or Branch Chair in order to gain authorisation and to book you on.

They will need to log onto the UNISON Online Conferencing System (OCS) with your membership number and follow the instructions to book a place on the "2019 UNISON National Health and Safety Seminar" in Belfast

**IMPORTANT: please note that branches registering delegates on the OCS, are agreeing to funding being recovered directly from their branch funding – so there will be no need to wait on cheques or BACS receipts for confirmation.**

**What happens next?** Once a member is registered as a delegate to a conference or seminar, they will receive an e-mail informing them of this as long as their e-mail address is correctly listed on the RMS. They can then also access the OCS to upload their photograph for the delegate badge, to make online facilitation requests for reasonable adjustments and childcare support. These must be made by 5pm on 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2019. *NB – bookings once made are non refundable but are transferable to another branch member.*

**Is there anything else to do to be able to attend?** Once you have received the e-mail confirming your place at the seminar and let us know of any reasonable adjustments etc that you require – you will have to arrange the following things:

- 1) **Travel to / from Belfast.** Dependent on where you are travelling from, you (or your branch) may need to arrange travel / transport to Belfast in order for you to attend.

Belfast has two accessible airports- Belfast International (about £40 cab fare to venue or a direct bus) and Belfast City (about £10 cab fare or direct train) Those travelling by ferry may wish to travel from Liverpool, Isle of Man or Cairnryan

- 2) **A hotel room.** Depending on your travel arrangements you may need to book a hotel room for the duration of your stay.

Belfast has many hotels of varying rates and you (or your branch) will need to organise your own booking for hotels within your price range

***NB: Branches are responsible for all travel, accommodation and subsistence costs associated with a delegate's attendance to this seminar.***

- 3) Booking your workshop choices. Closer to the event you will be sent out an electronic form to complete, to select your preferred AM and PM workshop sessions. Keep an eye out for this and please respond by the deadline. If you do not complete the form - you will be allocated workshop choices – and they may not be exactly what you would have chosen!

The programme of the day, workshop details and timetable for the seminar will be sent out to registered delegates as soon as possible. Join us at UNISON's National Health and Safety Seminar 2019 to hear inspiring speakers, discover different approaches and share practical solutions to building UNISON's organisation for the future – as we are the “Future of Health and Safety” and it is in our hands.

If you have any queries regarding attendance to the seminar, please contact Mandy Roper at [healthandsafety@unison.co.uk](mailto:healthandsafety@unison.co.uk).

We look forward to seeing you there!