

NEBOSH Alumni Occupational Health Agenda

Tuesday 25th February 2020



Agenda

- 1.00pm – 1.30pm Registration
- 1.30pm – 1.45pm NEBOSH welcome and introductions
- 1.45pm – 2.15pm Avoidable work disability and the role of the workplace
Professor Kim Burton
- 2.15pm – 2.45pm Britain's healthiest workplace: Outlining workforce productivity
in the UK
Michael Whitmore
RAND Europe
- 2.45pm – 3.15pm Break
- 3.15pm – 3.45pm Supporting workers' mental health: Ensuring effective practices
and policies
Dr Roxane Gervais
Independent researcher and practitioner
- 3.45pm – 4.15pm Talking work - Why it's everyone's business
Dr Steve Boorman
Council for Work and Health
- 4.15pm – 4.30pm NEBOSH closing remarks
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Speaker Profiles



Professor Kim Burton OBE PhD HonFFOM

Kim is a freelance occupational health research consultant with a part time post at the University of Huddersfield, UK. He is an Honorary Fellow of the Faculty of Occupational Medicine, an expert advisor to the UK government's Department for

Work and Pensions, and a member of the Industrial Injuries Advisory Council. Kim's current research focuses on novel interventions to maintain work ability for people with health problems.



Michael Whitmore

Michael Whitmore is a research leader at RAND Europe, developing initiatives and research into health and work well-being. His career spans more than twenty-five years across health and social care with the last ten largely dedicated to health

and work. He has held roles that include programme director to Dame Carol Black's UK cross-government health and work team, developing fit for work services, as well as International Product Director of Well-being for Optum, part of the UnitedHealth Group. He has also led global digital and big-data platforms, referral facilitation services, population health projects in inter-systemic behaviour change, delayed transfers of care and health and social care integration as well as development of a national mental health wellbeing programme to the UK construction industry. His published reports include a case-study review of the evidence landscape in Health and Work practices. He oversees the delivery of RAND Europe's partnership with Vitality Britain's Healthiest Workplace.



Dr. Roxane L. Gervais

Dr. Roxane L. Gervais is a Chartered Psychologist and a Registered Occupational Psychologist who provides solutions to work-related concerns. Her expertise focuses on occupational safety and health (OSH) issues to promote safe

and healthy work practices. In this context she provides for example, training and facilitates workshops on work-related stress, well-being, work engagement, behaviour change, leadership development and supporting diversity; she conducts stress audits within organisations; and assesses the effectiveness of communication techniques. She works across European countries and has led projects on women at work, ageing workers, incorporating OSH into Management, and OSH and Economic Performance. Roxane presents at international conferences on work-related stress, mental health, well-being at work, diversity issues, and work-life balance. While working in the health care industry she was a major contributor to an extensive organisational change programme, and assisted in formulating policies to drive the change. Roxane obtained her PhD from the University of Hull.



Dr Steve Boorman CBE

Steve is Director of Employee Health to Empactis, a specialist technology business. In a 21 year career with Royal Mail his roles included CMO, HSE and CSR Director. He chairs the Council for

Work and Health and the FOM's Ethics Committee. He's an Honorary Professorial Fellow of the Royal Society of Public Health, and was Chief Examiner to FOM for 19.5 years. In 2009 he led a review of NHS staff health. He received a CBE for services to occupational health in 2013.

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