



# **OHTA AGM**

**Wednesday 7 June 2023**

**14:00 BST**

# Quorum

As the AGM is being held virtually, the quorum has been achieved using the number of votes received ahead of the meeting.

**3** votes required.

**16** votes received.

# Minutes of Previous Meeting

We asked members to comment on the accuracy of these minutes ahead of today's meeting.

We received no comments.

The minutes of the AGM of 22 June 2022 will be adopted from the end of this meeting.

# Ordinary Resolution

## Re-election of Directors to the Board

We asked members to vote on the re-election of **Chris Laszcz-Davis** and **Peter John Jacobs** to the Board of Directors of OHTA.

As a result of the vote, Chris Laszcz-Davis and Peter John Jacobs have been re-elected.

Congratulations!

# Resignation of Director from the Board

**Ms Lucetta Weaver** notified the OHTA chairs of her intention to stand down from the board, effective from the end of this meeting.

We would like to thank Lucetta for her contribution to OHTA and to wish her every success for the future.

# Any Other Business

We did not receive any other items of business or questions from members.



**Changing the world, one course at a time**

# **OHTA Update**

# OHTA Board of Trustees

## Co - Chairs



Chris Laszcz-Davis (US)



Steven Verpaele (Belgium)

## Treasurer



Alan Leibowitz (US)

## AQC Chair



Lynn O'Donnell (US)

## IOHA Liaison



Dr Thomas P Fuller (US)



Dr Zack Mansdorf (US)



Lucetta Weaver (UK)



Ruth Jimenez (Spain)



Peter-John Jacobs (South Africa)



Dr David Zalk (US)



Dr Sharann Johnson (Australia)



# Key OHTA Committees

## Advisory Committee:

Co-Chairs: Michael Connor  
& Dr Albert J Tien



Jake Ward  
(US)



Deborah Nelson  
(US)



Jason Hodgkiss  
(UK)



Lydia Renton  
(Canada)



Terry McDonald  
(UK)



Maharshi Mehta  
(US)



Alex TSE  
Chun Kuen  
(HK)



Jas Singh  
(US)



Kelly Johnstone  
(AUS)



Eduardo Shaw  
(US)

## Advisory Council:



Roger Alesbury  
(UK)



Nancy McClellan  
(US)



David O'Malley  
(UK)



Noel Tresider (Australia)  
(US)

# Key OHTA Committees

- **US Chapter**

Chair: Mark Katchen



- **Editorial Committee**

Module Managers have recently been appointed to each module and will carry out a detailed review of all materials/content:

501 Michael Connor, 502 Ross DiCorletto & Kelly Johnstone, 503 Beno Groothoff & Jane Whitelaw, 504 Jason Hodgkiss, 505 Greg Grubb, 506 Robin Coman and 507 Jennifer Galvin

- **Award & Qualifications Committee**

Chair: Lynn O'Donnell



Awards and Qualifications Committee consists of:

Peter John Jacobs (SAIOH, South Africa), Rene Leblanc (CRBOH, Canada), Alex Chun Kuen TSE (HKIOEH, Hong Kong), Frederique Parrot (SOFHYT, France), Andrea Hiddinga (NVvA, Netherlands), Sharann Johnson (AIOH, Australia)

# OHTA Marketing & Communications

**Chair: Debbie Dietrich (US)**

**Team: Denis Logie and Shamini Samuel**



**The News/PR team work on promoting OHTA globally for the benefit of all stakeholders through two main channels:**

- **Global Link newsletter**

7 issues released in 2022 focusing on: The Middle East, Singapore, AIHce, Thermal Environment, Belgium, 'What's happening at OHTA?' and Silica Awareness

- **Social media (Twitter and LinkedIn).**

LinkedIn followers increased from 1,370 to 2,896 throughout 2022. Please connect with us if you haven't already!

# Approved Training Providers (ATP's)

- OHTA works with around 60 ATP's currently, with examinations facilitated by BOHS (or WHWB/SAIOH for W201 module only)
- In 2022 we were delighted to welcome 5 new ATP's to OHTA
- All applications are reviewed by the Awards and Qualifications committee to ensure the highest level of standards are in place
- a course director with an IOHA NAR qualification is required for each ATP
- Only training providers who have been approved by OHTA are allowed to offer courses leading to the international qualifications, including online course delivery
- Approved Training Providers are entitled to use the OHTA Approved Training Provider logo on materials, have access to all the training materials produced by OHTA and can post information about themselves and promote their OHTA approved courses on our website

# Online Training Delivery

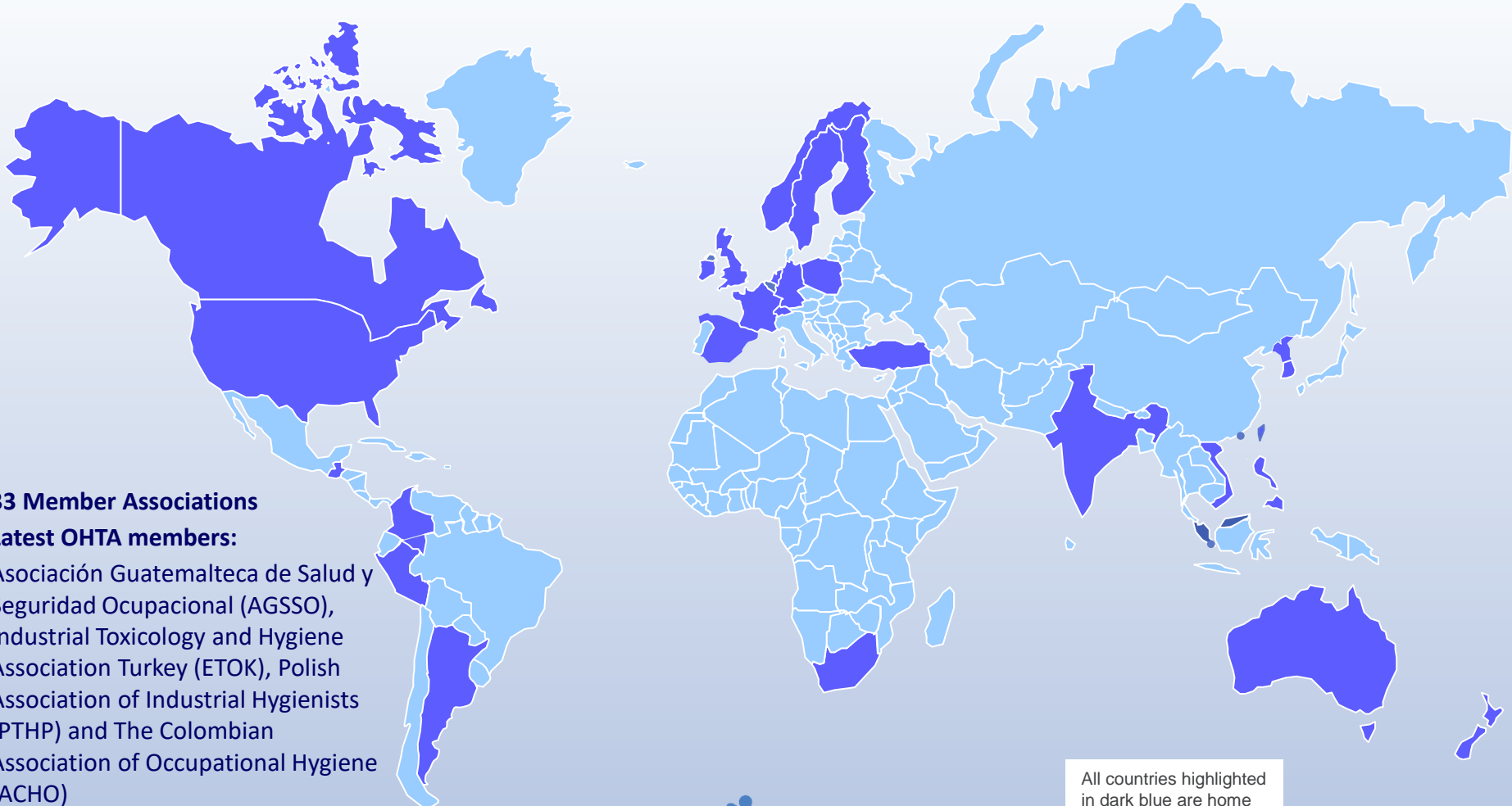
- QA process assesses distance learning offerings of ATPs (training providers must be previously approved to be eligible to apply)
- OHTA assesses training capability, BOHS assesses exam delivery
- Must use suitable platform with OHTA manual and materials
- All slides and IP is owned by OHTA
- All updates or changes must be shared with OHTA
- **30 ATPs approved for delivering online training in 2022**
- Led by David O'Malley (UK)

# OHTA Members Associations

- OHTA currently has 33 Member Associations from across the globe and these are mostly national associations (IOHA Members) who have signed a memorandum of understanding with OHTA
- Member association representatives have **voting rights at the Annual General Meeting**, are given the opportunity **to comment** on relevant **training provider applications** and many are involved in **editorial review and development**, including **translations**
- **In 2022 we welcomed 4 new associations;** Asociación Guatemalteca de Salud y Seguridad Ocupacional (AGSSO), Industrial Toxicology and Hygiene Association Turkey (ETOK), Polish Association of Industrial Hygienists (PTHP) and The Colombian Association of Occupational Hygiene (ACHO)

# OHTA Member Associations

April 2023



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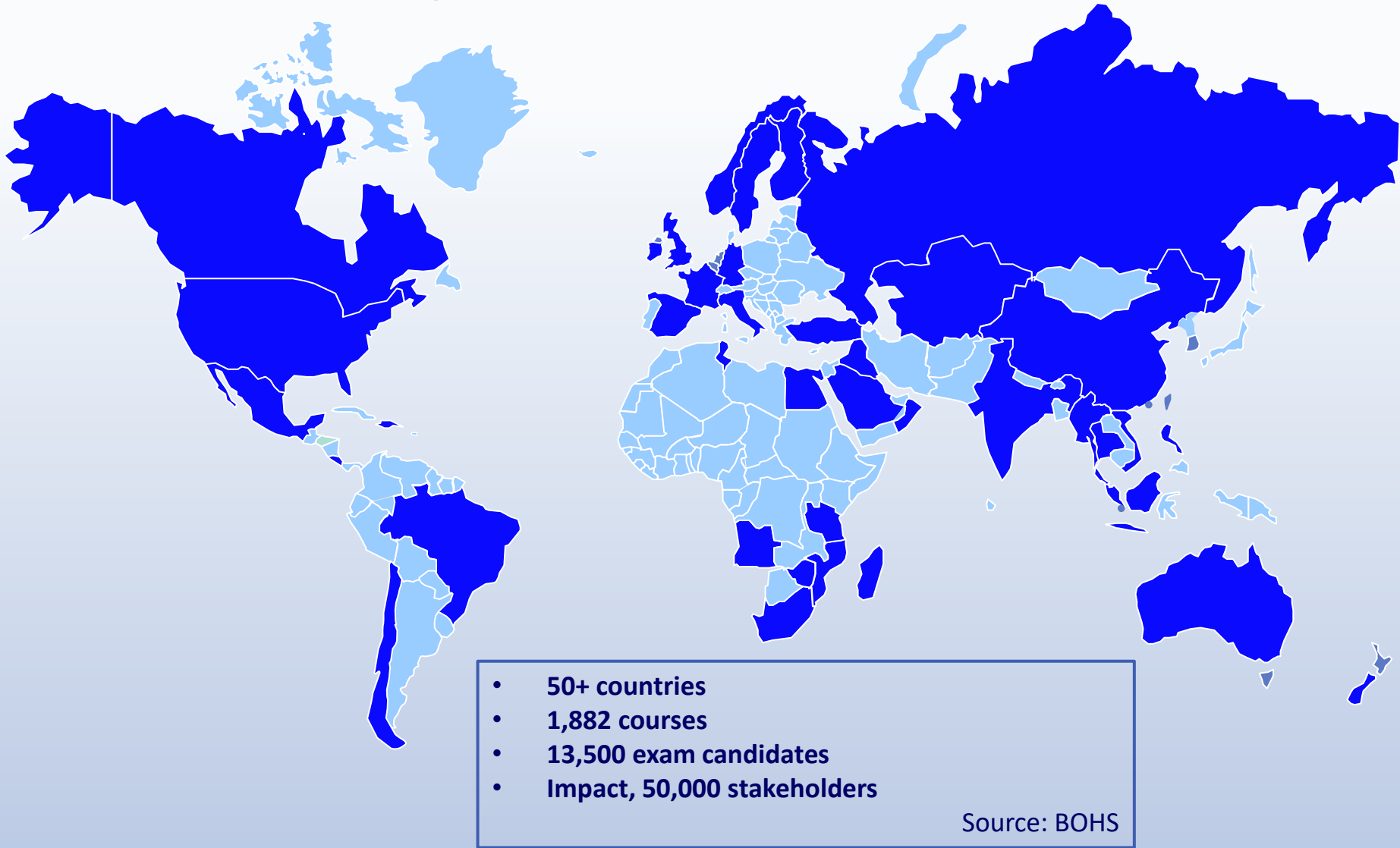
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All countries highlighted in dark blue are home to an OHTA Member Association

# OHTA Impact 2010 – December 2022\*



\*cumulative data only includes users who have taken exams



# Examining Bodies

Four organisations offer examinations as part of the OHTA International Training Scheme and Qualifications Framework.

Approved Training Providers can book examinations with two of them:

- BOHS (any Approved Training Provider, any W module)
  - SAIOH (Southern African Approved Training Providers, W201 only)
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- AIHA is authorised to act as examiner for the W201 module as part of its online, self-study Basic Principles of Occupational Hygiene course
  - WHWB is authorised to act as examiner for the W201 module as part of its own W201 training activity.

# Global Competency Impact:

**13,500 Exams in > 50 Countries (Jan 2010 – December 2022)**

Course Title	No of Student Exams
W201 - Basic Principles	3651
W501 - Air Sampling	2463
W502 - Thermal Effects	791
W503 - Noise	1431
W504 - Asbestos	1150
W505 - Controls	1602
W506 - Ergonomics	1139
W507 - Health Effects	1273
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>13500</b>
(Taken from BOHS data)	

## OH Community Impact:

- 35 ATP's ran a total of **235 courses** from 1<sup>st</sup> January to 31 December **2022**
- Undetermined Number of Courses without Exams

(Taken from BOHS data)

# Current Financial Structure

## OHTA's main source of income:

- Course contribution £40 (~ \$52) per student
- Paid by training provider and collected with exam fee

## Other funding:

- AIHA, SKC and AIOH sponsorship
- Individual and company donations via website
- Contributions can be made to the UK or US organizations

# Financials for year ending 30 September 2022

The OHTA Trustees Report with full financial statements will soon be available on the OHTA website.

Any questions on the report once it is released can be sent to [team@ohtatraining.org](mailto:team@ohtatraining.org)

# Path Forward

## OHTA to continue Expanding Course Offerings and Audience

### Global Outreach to those in need

1. Better communication of what we have available

### Training Program Development

1. Review and update of all training materials underway in 2023
2. Look at market needs and potential new courses
3. Broaden translated offerings
4. Collaborate with other associations

### Survival

1. Identify streams of income to avoid reliance on donations and sponsors

# How can You Make a Difference?

## Share the OHTA Commitment to Global OEHS Education

### Volunteer

1. Share your or your organizations technical expertise
2. Give your time to support communications/social media/marketing efforts
3. **Share your grant writing expertise**

### Contribute

1. Personally and/or help us identify contacts at large corporations or foundations interested in the work we do

**Spread the Word**



# Thank you

Contact us at: [team@ohtatraining.org](mailto:team@ohtatraining.org)

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