

AEO INTERNATIONAL OPS, H&S and SECURITY (IOHSS) GROUP

PURPOSE

The AEO IOHSS Group is responsible for sharing and capturing key issues that affect events organisers and their teams internationally.

Specifically they are a forum to discuss the challenges of operating overseas and how they can use their collective knowledge to set unified standards and drive progressive change.

This includes but is not limited to:

- Employee welfare
- Cultural knowledge of working in different regions
- Practical tips and best practice to support overseas teams

Furthermore, the group should identify regions where a collaborative approach to support a local provision of tools and guidance would be deemed as beneficial, through the adoption of the gGuide, AEO Ops Hub and curated networking opportunities for regional teams.

OBJECTIVES FOR 2021

The overall objective for 2021 is to ensure the safe return of events globally.

The group will continue to share experiences of what is happening regionally and look to each other for tips and learnings as markets re-emerge.

The work on the fire safety tool kit will conclude and they will look to another topic of focus in which to support teams overseas.

Furthermore, the group will look to launch new regional networking opportunities, creating virtual sessions that will allow remote teams to connect, discuss common challenges and from this build support tools.

This will be delivered through web led seminars, implementation of the g-Guide and continued development of the International section of the AEO Ops Hub.

AUDIENCE

Membership of this group is via invite only, to AEO members who operate internationally. External suppliers or friends to the industry may be invited to attend in the interest of furthering the groups strategy.

It is aimed at those working in an Operations role at a senior level.

This group operates under Chatham House Rule.

FREQUENCY & LOCATION

Meetings occur on a triannual basis – although additional meetings may be arranged on an issue led basis.

An annual calendar of meetings is to be circulated in January in advance of new fiscal year.

Gatherings will take place virtually over the year, with a face to face meeting taking place in Q4.



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