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WorkSafe forum to focus on extractives training

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A WorkSafe forum for extractives operators and managers next month will focus on training and upskilling workers in health and safety.

The health and safety regulator has organised senior figures from across industry and government to speak at the Extractives Training and Supervision Forum, which is being held in Palmerston North on March 23.

Among these are Institute of Quarrying Australia CEO Paul Sutton, MinEx CEO Wayne Scott, and Bathurst Resources' health and safety manager Fiona Bartier. WorkSafe's chief inspector Phil Parkes will deliver the opening and closing addresses.

WorkSafe says the forum is an opportunity to workshop training and competency techniques.

The forum is targeted at managers of health and safety, training, and operations at extractives sites, as well as owners and operators, including smaller businesses.

Training providers, tutors, Etu Union members, and similar small industries such as civil contracting, forestry, and rural contracting are also welcome to attend.

"At the forum we will talk about the wide variability and mixed quality of training we're currently seeing across the extractive industry," WorkSafe says.

"We will provide clarity about what good training looks like and discuss how you can maximise the return on investment of training across the industry."

Included in the programme is an overview of literacy and numeracy skills, workshops on competency assessments and how to identify skill gaps, and preparing staff for Certificate of Competence studies.

Guides for mentoring and selecting training and external courses are also on the agenda.

More information can be found at WorkSafe's [website](#).

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Revenue 2017 \$319.8m

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