

POSITION: Health and Safety Manager
ORGANISATION: National Contracting Company
T&D, Al Khobar, Saudi Arabia
INDUSTRY/SECTOR: Energy
SOCIAL:



Member Profile:

Arun Raveendran FIIRSM

In this interview, Arun Raveendran highlights his career to date, the reasons why he became a risk and safety management professional and how joining IIRSM can help you build and strengthen your skills, and support professional development

Tell us about your background, your current role and IIRSM membership grade

I am an IIRSM Fellow and bring more than 22 years of industry experience in managing occupational health and safety operations.

Currently, I hold a corporate-level leadership position overseeing an occupational safety and health management system that covers power, transmission and distribution across the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

What prompted you to become a risk and safety management professional?

Initially, I didn't start out as a risk and safety management professional. I chose this career in 2000 when I arrived in Saudi Arabia. My line manager instilled me with confidence and I then focused on developing my career as a risk and safety management professional.

Through holding down a number of roles in different organisations, I got the opportunity to learn from many safety professionals and other leaders. I also had exposure to a

diverse range of industries. Taking this learning on-board, I started to do safety differently.

Tell us about why you joined IIRSM and how it has helped you

I joined IIRSM because I wanted to network with other risk and safety management professionals who work in a diverse range of industries internationally. I saw this as a great learning experience which would help me gain greater knowledge and help enhance my confidence.

I am proud to be an IIRSM member. Over the 10 years I have been a member, I have attained an excellent level of knowledge. Being a member has also given me a clear vision to set strategic objectives. I have influenced and inspired others to take ownership of decisions and drive changes based

on business insights.

How can IIRSM membership help risk and safety management professionals?

Apart from expanding your professional network and connecting you with like-minded professionals at a local and global level, IIRSM has established a mentoring platform that builds your knowledge, provides relevant solutions and can be adapted to suit the individual professional so they can manage dynamic situations and respond to challenges.

IIRSM has also rolled out a global initiative in training and certification that provides its members with a great opportunity to shape their careers and enhance their professional knowledge.



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