IEEE IAS Electrical Safety Workshop
First Time Attendee Guide

Looking to get the MOST out of your FIRST Electrical Safety Workshop? This First-Time Attendee guide is designed just for you so you can maximize the investment you and your employer have made in this one-of-a-kind event.

WHAT IS THE ELECTRICAL SAFETY WORKSHOP?
The IEEE IAS Electrical Safety Workshop is the leading forum to enable and accelerate change in the electrical safety culture with a focus on preventing workplace injuries from electrical hazards. The technical workshop provides you the opportunity to:

- Attend technical presentations and tutorials
- Network with colleagues and gain exposure to mentors
- Visit and interact with vendors

In order to make the most of your time, we suggest creating an agenda. The workshop app is a great place to do just that. Take time to review the Conference Program that you will receive at registration. Get a feel for the meetings, papers, tutorials, and other events that are taking place, and plan your agenda for each day. Review the abstracts for papers of interest.

FIRST-TIME ATTENDEE SOCIAL
On Tuesday afternoon the Early Career Sub-Committee hosts a one-hour event for first-time attendees to meet new friends and begin growing their professional network. This is a must attend event for first-time attendees to get the most out of the workshop.

WORKSHOP APP
The EventMobi workshop app is an invaluable tool for your workshop experience, putting the who, what, where, why and when right in your hand. Download it now at eventmobi.com/esw2024. The app is where you provide presentation feedback for CEUs/PDHs. You can favorite or select sessions that you want to go to and it will build your daily agenda along with sending reminders to you that the session is about to begin.

BREAKDOWN BY DAY
See the Conference Program schedule for details.

TECHNICAL PROGRAM
The technical programs begin on Tuesday morning with Tutorials, then, after lunch, the chair’s welcome presentation kicks off the technical paper programs. There are approximately 40 papers that range from applications, best practices, industry developments and standard interpretations - all related to electrical safety. Papers are presented Tuesday through Friday with breaks placed at preset times for lunch, coffee and snacks.

GET INVOLVED
Looking to grow your knowledge and get involved with the workshop? There is no better way than to join a sub-committee and contribute to the future of the ESW. A list of sub-committees and their respective chairs is provided below.

- Standards Development Chair: Arthur Smith
- Occupational Safety and Health Chair: Rene Graves
- Construction Chair: Eric Campbell
- Technical Program Chair: Mark Scott
- Academic Chair: Afshin Majd
- IAS Relation Chair: Matthew Hussey
- Government, Regulator, Inspectors, and Laboratory Chair: Lloyd Gordon
- Industry Segment Development Chair: Jeff Glenney
- Paper Review Chair: Zarheer Jooma
- Early Career Development Chair: Jay Prigmore
- International Chair: Marcel Valdes
VENDOR PARTICIPATION
Vendor participation is an important part of this Conference. Consultants, distributors, and manufacturers present technical papers, work on subcommittees, and contribute financially to the success of the Conference. Commercialism is not permitted in the technical program (i.e., papers, tutorials).

There will be a Product and Services Exposition during the workshop for vendors to showcase their commercial products and capabilities with the attendees. Some vendors also set up hospitality rooms in the Conference hotel to provide an informal atmosphere to meet new and existing customers, present new product lines and receive feedback from their users. All are welcome and encouraged to join in the hospitality events. Please see the workshop app for further details.

OTHER IMPORTANT THINGS TO KNOW
Check in to receive your name tag, info packet, and anything you bought during registration. Wear your nametag throughout all events.

Attend the Hospitality Suites each night. They typically provide food and drinks and are a great way to meet people.

Each Morning (Wed - Fri) there is an “Early Bird Drawing” that starts ~15 minutes before the general/technical sessions. Names are randomly drawn for prizes. Arrive around 7:45 am local time to not miss out on these.

Attendees are friendly and happy to talk to you. Hardest part is the introduction. Find any of the organizing committee and they would be happy to talk and make introductions.

Consider writing a paper to present at next year’s ESW. Individuals with specific badges can provide guidance on how-to write a paper. Anyone can write a paper and it does not need to be filled with equations. Case studies and experiences with lessons learned are also accepted at the ESW. Seek out those attendees who have an "ASK ME ABOUT PAPER TUTORING" badge or label - they are great resources.

Register for a tutorial or two for a deeper dive into areas that are of particular interest to you. Tutorials are Tuesday Morning and Friday after lunch. To attend a tutorial - you must register for the tutorial. First time attendees get one tutorial registration at the discounted rate of $50 (must select during registration).

COMPANION PROGRAM
Companions are welcome at the ESW and must register during the main attendee’s registration process. There is a small fee for a companion but they have a few events such a dedicated luncheon and they attend the socials and hospitality events. More information can be found on the ESW website.

DRESS CODE
As an attendee, business casual attire is appropriate and recommended. Check here for tips on how to dress for a business conference. However, some attendees do wear jeans and a casual shirt.