



The International Association of Fire Chiefs (IAFC) is proud to announce that the Second Annual International Fire Operations Conference held in the Kingdom of Bahrain will be under the patronage of His Excellency, Lieutenant General, Sheikh Rashid bin Abdullah Al Khalifa, Minister of Interior, Kingdom of Bahrain. This event will take place from February 25-27, 2019 at the Ritz-Carlton, Manama, Bahrain.

The first International Fire Operations Conference, held April 10-12, 2018 at the Ritz-Carlton Bahrain, was as successful as it was historic. What made it unique was that it boasted 24 speakers from around the world, but in a forum intimate enough to foster collaboration and dialogue. The conference's success was evident from the long discussions and connections made by the attendees who overwhelmingly asked for the opportunity to attend this conference again next year.

For 2019, this three-day event will focus on important areas that impact the industry: human behavior and leadership; technology and innovation; and operational response. This year's program offers leading-edge education for fire service officers and personnel. In collaboration and partnership with the Fire Protection Department, Saudi Aramco and the Bahrain General Directorate of Civil Defence, we expect over 400 attendees for this unique event to include participants from around the globe. You will meet people with varied ranks such as: directors, colonels, chief officers, captains and firefighters from private companies as well as Civil Defence Departments within the GCC.

The International Association of Fire Chiefs, founded in 1873, with over **12,000 members, representing 30-plus countries** would proudly welcome your participation in the event as a valued sponsor and event participant. This conference offers you the opportunity to connect through focused networking and educational opportunities with leading fire service officers from around the globe who make, approve, influence and recommend purchases for their departments.

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Respectfully,

Mark W. Light, CAE
CEO and Executive Director



Membership Data



12,000+
Members



30+ Countries



10 Provinces



50 States



On behalf of the Saudi Aramco, I would like to invite you and your colleagues to participate in the second International Fire Operations Conference, which will be taking place at the Ritz-Carlton Bahrain from 25-27 February 2019.

At Saudi Aramco Fire Protection Department, we continue to focus our efforts on maintaining a clear perspective on the importance of fire protection and safety to educate our employees and the region's firefighting community.

This prestigious event is organized in collaboration with the International Association of Fire Chiefs (IAFC), a non-profit organization representing the leadership of firefighters and emergency responders worldwide. We are very proud of our collaborative efforts to partner with the IAFC and support this conference, bringing focus to fire operations in the region.

One of the most important aspects of our conference is that it offers fire service officers and personnel the unique opportunity to explore leadership development, with education sessions covering many operational components of the fire service, including emergency scene management, fixed fire protection systems, fire protection engineering, staffing levels and more.

We will also have discussions that focus on the current and future issues facing the Fire Service globally.

In addition, participants will enjoy networking events and companies featuring the latest services and technology available for the fire service.

This diversified and rich technical program will provide you with a valuable and skill-developing experience that will broaden your knowledge and also provide unique networking opportunities.

Sincerely,



Ghassan G. Abulfaraj
Chairman of Conference
Manager
Fire Protection Department
Saudi Aramco



On behalf of the Civil Defence of Bahrain, I would like to invite you and your colleagues to participate in the second International Fire Operations Conference, which will be taking place at the Ritz-Carlton Bahrain from 25-27 February 2019.

The Civil Defence takes all necessary steps to protect civilians, architecture and works of art. We ensure the safety of individuals, as well as both public and private property, in the event of a natural disaster, arson or other emergency. The varied ways we are tasked with protecting lives and property present unique operational opportunities and challenges, which led to our interest in supporting the Fire Operations Conference.

The International Fire Operations Conference is organized in collaboration with the International Association of Fire Chiefs (IAFC), a non-profit organization representing the leadership of firefighters and emergency responders worldwide. We are very proud of our collaborative efforts with the IAFC to bring the only fire operations conference to our region.

Our conference provides significant and unique leadership development for command staff. Education sessions cover many operational components of the fire service, including emergency scene management, fixed fire protection systems, fire protection engineering, staffing levels and more.

In addition to these focused sessions, we will have in-depth discussions on issues the fire service is currently facing globally and the future of emergency response. Participants will meet with both emergency response officers from around the world and companies who are industry leaders and who provide the most innovative services and technology available to the fire service.

Our diverse program is designed to provide you with technical skills, valuable operational knowledge and the opportunity to establish key relationships with industry leaders.

Sincerely,



Abdul Aziz Alaamer
His Excellency The Brigadier
General Director Of General
Directorate Of Civil Defence
Kingdom of Bahrain