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We set standards, and support, develop and connect our members with resources, guidance, events and training. We're the voice of the profession, and campaign on issues that affect millions of working people.

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The IOSH Broadcasting and Telecommunications Group represents a range of industries including fixed line and mobile telecommunications, broadcast content production, and transmission and provision of services to end users.

## The Broadcasting and Telecommunications Group:

- focuses on issues specific to our industry sector such as;
  - transient worker
  - temporary and transient construction sites
  - work at height ranging from climbing masts, work on rooftops to use of temporary scaffolds
  - electromagnetic field/ radio frequency safety
  - lone working
  - street works
  - call centres
- take into account a wide range of worker types within the industry from camera men, riggers, call centre workers to technical engineers. Provides Continuing Professional Development (CPD) activities, site visits and networking opportunities through sector-specific events, often working with other IOSH groups, branches and industry organisations on subject areas that are common, for example construction

- issues regular news updates and articles on its microsite to keep members informed
- represents specialists working in the sector and informs national bodies by encouraging debate and contributing to the development of standards and guidance.

## Challenges within our industry

Current challenges within the industry include:

- management of a diverse contractor base and how we ensure adequate standards of training and competence
- sensible and pragmatic application of CDM to short duration, transient, multiple site construction projects, whether this be a TV production set or street works construction or installation of a mobile phone antenna
- changing technology within the industry, in particular the appetite for data on mobile devices and the move from 4G to 5G, proliferation of WiFi, broadcasting content over the internet and the move to the Internet of Things with more connected devices than ever in our homes
- health and wellbeing of workers and how we can build on traditional occupational health programmes to an holistic wellbeing approach. Our wellbeing toolkit on our microsite provides some great advice on getting a wellbeing programme started
- driving and lone working within a transient work force

# Why should you join?

The IOSH Broadcasting and Telecommunications Group brings members together to network and exchange information related to our industries, and helps IOSH meet its strategic objectives.

## When you join the group, you'll get:

- invitations to networking events, seminars and site visits, often involving practical demonstrations, at reduced rates
- access to a wide range of advice and information relevant to your sector
- the chance to network with other safety and health professionals in your sector
- the chance to engage with other IOSH groups and the branch network

## The committee

The committee is made up of volunteers who have specific skills, expertise and knowledge of the sector. Committee members are appointed from among the group's membership and from external agencies.

The committee meets periodically to draw up and review a plan of activities. It acts as a focal point for members and as a link between IOSH head office and the sector. We are always keen to hear from members wishing to raise specific topics or suggest ideas for events. We will assist you with any questions you may have.

## Sharing good practice

Network of branches and sector groups, which enables members to meet other practitioners, share good practice, receive the latest news and guidance, attend free or low-cost events and get support for their professional development.

The group is dedicated to practitioners working in our industries and is open to all categories of IOSH membership. You can join us even if you are already a member of another IOSH network.

To join the group, send us an email. If you are coming to one of our events, why not discuss your interest in person with a committee member?

We warmly invite non-members to our events and webinars.

For more details, visit [www.iosh.co.uk/broadcastingandtelecommunicationsgroup](http://www.iosh.co.uk/broadcastingandtelecommunicationsgroup). You can also contact the committee through the IOSH Networks team at [networks@iosh.com](mailto:networks@iosh.com)