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Register for the 2019 World Congress on Risk

SETAC Africa and SRA are pleased to co-locate and coordinate the 2019 SRA Fifth World Congress and the 2019 9th Biennial SETAC Africa Conference. This is the first World Congress to take place in a
Experts, practitioners and policy makers often have to make decisions under conditions of uncertainty. This sometimes leads to catastrophic outcomes, but often also results in averted disasters, innovation and unexpected discoveries. This conference, is devoted to how risk research(ers) can better inform decision-making in the face of uncertainty, anticipate negative outcomes, increase the propensity for positive
outcomes, and better communicate uncertainty. The event brings together researchers from the Benelux region and globally to present their latest research.

Date: March 25-26, 2019
Location: University of Luxembourg, Belval Campus
Registration is free but mandatory. Registration closes March 8, 2019.

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Episodes available for download:
Ep. 1: The Uncertainty Component
Ep. 2: We've Been Underestimating Climate Change
Ep. 3: The Preservation of a Culture
Ep. 4: Clearing House at the EPA: An Attack on Science
Ep. 5: Infrastructure Management: Communities Can Profit From Disaster
Ep. 6: Boundaries in Risk Analysis: What's In and What's Out?
Ep. 7: Power Systems Resilience: Can We Rely on Renewables?
Ep. 8: Emotions Control Your Appetite for Risk
Ep. 9: A Paradigm Shift in Injury Risk Reduction
Ep. 10: Risk Science & the Regulatory Environment
Ep. 11: Building Urban Resilience
Ep. 12: How Do We Determine If Our Food Is Safe?
Ep. 14: Risk Communication on Social Media: Making Your Messages Go Further

SRA Member Spotlight: Rick Reiss, ScD, group vice president and principal scientist at Exponent, recipient of the 2018 Outstanding Practitioner Award.

At Exponent, Rick has been working on exposure assessment and dose-response modeling for pesticides and industrial chemicals.

Each month the SRA newsletter will feature one of its members and their work in the spotlight section. If you would like to nominate a member, please email Melanie Preve.

National Academies of Sciences, Engineering and Medicine (NAS) Workshop:
Evidence Integration in Chemical Assessments: Challenges Faced in Developing and Communicating Human Health Effect Conclusions
March 28-29, Washington, DC

NAS will be holding a workshop on evidence integration (a summary step of the systematic review in human health assessment conducted by the U.S. EPA). Topic areas include:

- Lessons learned from Evidence Integration Colloquium that was held in Lisbon, Portugal in October 2017
- Best Practices in Evidence Integration
- Approaches for using mechanistic data to integrate evidence from animal and human studies
Case studies of systematic review-enabled evidence integration
Practical approaches to expedited evidence integration

Click here for more information, and to register to attend.

Poster presentation submissions are being accepted until **February 1, 2019**. For more information on acceptance guidelines and to submit, click here.

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Scientific Liaison Coalition (SLC) Webinar: Maternal Morbidity and Mortality: A Primer on the Problem and What We Can Do About It
February 5, 11am-12:30pm ET

Speakers: Suzan Carmichael, PhD, Stanford School of Medicine, & Emma Roberts, MPH, Hartford Hospital

Despite the US spending more money per capita on maternity care than any other country in the world, maternal mortality and severe maternal morbidity have increased substantially in recent decades. Furthermore, racial-ethnic disparities are strong for these outcomes; they are two to four times higher among black women than non-Hispanic white women. Maternal mortality is the death of a woman due to pregnancy or post-delivery complications; severe maternal morbidity encompasses a variety of conditions and procedures that identify women at highest risk of maternal mortality. Ms. Roberts will further define these outcomes and explain how they are assessed, and she will describe their prevalence, recent trends, common causes, and disparities. Dr. Carmichael will then discuss what are the potential causes of these outcomes, including their increasing prevalence and disparities. She will discuss a range of factors, including maternal sociodemographic characteristics, co-morbidities, and care. She will close with a discussion of efforts that are being made to prevent these unfortunate outcomes, including research endeavors, legislative efforts, and innovative approaches to care.

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**Interested in hosting a webinar this year?**
Please contact Shital Thekdi or Royce Dunne.

**Are you a member of another organization that could benefit from co-sponsoring an event with SRA?**
For more information, and to apply for co-sponsorship, click here.
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