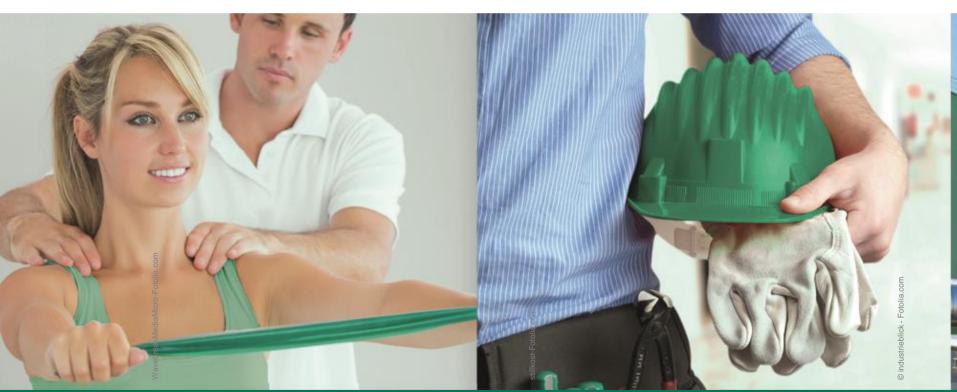
## Wir machen Arbeit sicher und gesund.



Verband für Sicherheit, Gesundheit und Umweltschutz bei der Arbeit

# VDSI – A strong community







# We make work safe and healthy VDSI

.. is Germany's largest association for health, safety and environmental protection at work.

- **Members:** around 5,600 experts from different professions and branches
- Purpose: reducing the hazards and stresses of today's working life on a long-term basis
- Benefit: broad network and practical assistance for daily professional life



### Goals and tasks of the VDSI

- To promote the exchange of experiences, further education and networking among members
- To ensure professional training and skilled advanced training in specific fields
- To help to develop laws, regulations, directives and standards relating to health, safety and environmental protection at work
- To cooperate with other national and international institutions and associations
- To make all areas of society aware of health, safety and environmental protection



# History (I)

- 1951 "Arbeitsgemeinschaft der Sicherheitsingenieure" is founded in Königswinter.
- 1954 The association changes its name to "Verein Deutscher Sicherheitsingenieure" (VDSI).
- 1977 A full-time head office opens in Wiesbaden.
- 1980 "Verband der Sicherheitstechniker und Sicherheitsmeister" (VSTM) joins the association.
- 1990 "Arbeitsgemeinschaft Arbeitsschutz der Kammer der Technik" of the former GDR recommends joining the VDSI.



## History (II)

- 1993 The association changes its name to "Verband Deutscher Sicherheitsingenieure" (VDSI) and adds occupational health to its objectives.
- 1997 The association adds corporate environmental protection to its obejctives and founds a new affiliate: "Gesellschaft für Qualität im Arbeitsschutz mbH" (GQA).
- 2014 The association realigns and changes its name to "VDSI Verband für Sicherheit, Gesundheit und Umweltschutz bei der Arbeit e.V.".



# Organisation of the VDSI

#### **Executive Board**

- strategy development
- representation

#### **Extended Board**

 coordination of fundamental issues

### **Advisory Board**

consultation and support

## Regions

- exchange
- networking
- further training

### **Departments**

- specialist groundwork
- preparation of position papers
- exchange within specific branches

Head Office



# Regions

## Local meeting points

- active throughout Germany
- organisation of lectures, workshops, field trips, etc.

You can find an extensive overview here: www.vdsi.de.





## Departments

specific groundwork and exchange within specific branches

- Construction
- Culture of Prevention
- Demographics and Employability
- Electrical Safety
- Emergency Services
- Energy
- Environmental Protection
- Fire Safety and Explosion Prevention
- Hazardous Goods
- Hazardous Substances
- Health Management
- Industrial Safety Regulation
- International Affairs!
- Medical Centers

- Occupational Safety Specialistst
- Office Work
- Operational Safety Management
- Personal Protective Equipment
- Physical Stress and Impacts
- Mental Health
- Public Service
- Radiation Protection Synergies in Occupational Safety
- Renewable Energy
- Security
- Students
- Temporary Employment
- Thermal Waste Treatment
- Universities and Academic Institutions



# National and international cooperation partners (extract)

- Association des Travailleurs Désignés Luxembourg (ATDL)
- Deutsche Gesellschaft für Arbeitshygiene (DGAH)
- Deutsche Gesellschaft für Arbeitsmedizin und Umweltmedizin (DGAUM)
- Deutscher Verkehrssicherheitsrat (DVR)
- European Network of Safety and Health Practitioner Organisations (ENSHPO)
- Fachverband für Strahlenschutz
- Fachvereinigung Arbeitssicherheit (FASI)
- Gesellschaft für Arbeitswissenschaft (GfA)
- International Safety and Health Construction Coordinators Organization (ISHCOO)
- Schweizerische Gesellschaft für Arbeitssicherheit (SGAS)
- Verband Österreichischer Sicherheitsexperten (VÖSI)
- Verband Deutscher Betriebs- und Werksärzte (VDBW)



# VDSI – a recognised partner

- .. for business and politics, including
- federal and state ministries
- accident insurance companies
- social partners
- chambers of industry and commerce
- associations



## Benefits at a glance

- **Network:** regions, departments, online expert panel
- **Expertise:** events, publications / working aids, members' magazine
- Certified further training: VDSI-Weiterbildungsnachweis
- Career: job portal, contacts within the network
- Start up support: "Students" department.
- Special conditions: for congresses, manuals, liability insurance, etc.



## Annual fees

# Last updated: 1 December 2021

	Membership fee
Personal Member	€ 140
Corporate Member	
Membership	€ 140
from 10 members per corporate member	€ 120
from 20 members per corporate member	€ 108
from 50 members per corporate member	€ 96
from 100 members per corporate member	€ 84
Supporting Membership	
Membership	€ 240
from 2 members per supporting member	€ 200
from 3 members per supporting member	€ 172
Consessions	
Retired persons (pensioners)*	€ 44
Job-Seekers	€ 44
Associate members	
(Board Members of VÖSI,SGAS, ATDL)	No fee

<sup>\*</sup> If the standard age limit (for a full pension) has been reached, there is no need to present proof.



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Students No fee for first 5 years\*

6th - 7th year: reduced fee as for retired persons\*

8th year onwards: regular membership fee

Occupational Safety Specialist No fee for first 3 years\*

in training (Sifa)\*\*

4th – 5th year: reduced fee as for retired persons\* \*

6th year onwards: regular membership fee

Young professionals / recent graduates, first 2 years\*\*\* 
€ 84

disabled persons with a degree of disability of 50 % or more As well as equals

€ 84

<sup>\*</sup>This refers to years of membership within the VDSI; partial years are calculated as full years.

<sup>\*\*</sup> This also includes training as a supervisor at employers' liability insurance associations and labour inspectorates.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Partial years in which a contribution is levied are calculated as full years.



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