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25th Anniversary Memorable Moments





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1993

Twenty-four state, industry, government and international representatives attend the first ICPHSO planning committee meeting in West Palm Beach, Florida





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1997

After AFDO dropped its support, then ICPHSO President Ross Koeser hired an Executive Assistant (Virginia Spitler) and registered ICPHSO as a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization and set up the global headquarters in Germantown, MD





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1998

First CPSC Compliance Workshop added on as a half day session during the Annual Symposium. 90 people attended just the Compliance Workshop.





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1998

**CPSC Chairman Ann Brown Gives
First CPSC Luncheon Keynote
Presentation**





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1999

ICPHSO President Ross Koeser
becomes its first part time
Executive Director





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1999

First ICPHSO Regional Training Workshops (In Conjunction With CPSC) held in Chicago and Los Angeles with over 200 people attending





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The American Bar Association's
Consumer Product Safety Law
Seminar added to Annual Symposium
schedule with nearly 190 attendees
at the Annual Symposium





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2002

ICPHSO collaborates with the European Consumer Safety Association (ECOSA) during the Annual Symposium for a meeting to cover international product safety research





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2003

John Preston, a mechanical engineer from CPSC who specialized in toys, provided members and symposium attendees the correct pronunciation of ICPHSO

ICK-FA-SO

(Incorrect pronunciation exempts you from Board and Executive Committee Membership!)





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2003

ICPHSO one-day Compliance Workshop held at 4-H Center in Chevy Chase, Maryland. Over 125 people attend - sleeping accommodations at the center include bunk beds!

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2004

First ICPHSO International
Symposium held in London, England
with nearly 100 attendees

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2006

Bethesda Declaration was Signed
at the 2006 Annual Meeting and
Training Symposium, Bethesda,
Maryland





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2006

First ICPHSO International
Symposium held in Brussels,
Belgium with participation by
the European Commission





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2007

First ICPHSO International
Symposium held in Beijing, China in
conjunction with AQSIQ and CPSC
Bi-Lateral Summit with nearly 400
attendees participating





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2008

Record Breaking 451 People Attended Annual Symposium in Washington, D.C. (After implementation of CPSIA, and nearly every one of the attendees spoke to or tried to speak to then CPSC General Counsel Cheri Falvey)





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2008

ICPHSO returns to Brussels, Belgium and participates in the European Commission's International Product Safety Week activities with ICPHSO's International Symposium kicking off the week and creating a home for the International Symposium every second year

2012/2014/2016/2018





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2009

ICPHSO International Symposium held
in Toronto, Canada in conjunction
with Health Canada and CSA with
nearly 300 attendees participating





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2011

ICPHSO International Symposium
held in Seoul, Korea in
cooperation with KATS and KCA.
More than 200 attendees
participate





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2013

ICPHSO celebrates its 20th Year at its Annual Symposium in Crystal City, Virginia. Capitol Steps puts on special safety recognition skits involving ICPHSO attendees





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2013

Due to a 16 day U.S. Government shut down, CPSC was unable to participate in the International Symposium held in Brisbane, Australia in October





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2015

Ross Koeser, ICPHSO founding
member and Executive Director
retires (again)





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2015

ICPHSO International
Symposium hosted by LEGO in
Billund, Denmark includes
LEGO themed sleeping rooms





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2016

Joan Lawrence, The Toy Industry Association, is first recipient of the Ross Koeser Achievement Award for outstanding service to ICPHSO





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2018

ICPHSO Regional Workshop Returns to Seattle, WA (**June 19**) hosted by Amazon and ICPHSO International Symposium Returns to Brussels (**November 12-13**) in conjunction with European Commission's International Product Safety Week





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2019

ICPHSO Annual Meeting and Training
Symposium returns to Marriott's Renaissance
Hotel in Washington, D.C.

February 25-28, 2019

ICPHSO Regional Workshop *tentatively*
scheduled in June 2019 in Columbus, Ohio





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2020 and 2021**

ICPHSO returns to the Hyatt
Regency Grand Cypress for its
February Annual Meeting and
Training Symposium

