

ISASI REACHOUT 35 - INVESTIGATIVE TRAINING WORKSHOP

BRISBANE 1 - 4 DECEMBER 2009

The ISASI Reachout program started in the late 1990s when the Society received very informal inquiries about whether the society could provide some sort of training in air safety investigation, safety in general, accident prevention and so on. Formal investigator training is indeed available through institutions like the Southern California Safety Institute, or Cranfield University in the UK, but costs can be high and can prevent attendance by staff from areas in need of safety education (and from this part of the world too).

When ISASI considered the expertise that is readily available within the society (which has a very diverse membership base), it quickly realised that it could offer informal, low cost training tailored to requirements of those who requested assistance. ISASI then offered to provide some informal training in response to requests from various organisations, and Project Reachout was born.

ISASI not only aims to enhance investigation techniques – it is a safety society formed to promote air safety by the exchange of ideas, experiences and information about aircraft accident and incident investigations. Professional education is promoted through annual safety seminars and through less formal educational programs such as Reachout. The overall aim of these activities is to pass on and exchange information to assist in improving investigation techniques; and to broaden professional relationships among members. It's all to do with promoting safer aviation and technical advancement.

In Australia, ASASI has staged three Reachout workshops in Brisbane (one in 2006 and two in 2008), and based on feedback and requests after the December 2008 activity, intends staging a fourth Reachout investigative training and SMS workshop in Brisbane (Reachout 35) from 1 – 4 December 2009. It will be held at the Novotel Hotel Brisbane.

Our present intention is to limit numbers registering for Reachout to 48 and will be on a 'First come, first served' basis. That is to avoid any overcrowding and to assist in more personal presentations. Registration costs will be A\$390 for 'Early Birds' registering before 1 November, and A\$440 for latecomers. A program is still being developed, but will be along similar lines to the previous three local Reachouts. Favourable room rates have been negotiated with the Novotel, and bookings should be made directly with the hotel, quoting 'ASASI Workshop'.

For those desiring formal investigative training with a qualification at the end, Reachout is not for you. Reachout is for those wanting to broaden their operational safety experience base and obtain contemporary safety investigation and safety enhancement information from safety professionals.