## Loss of Containment Integrity Training specialist joins NEPIC

The Academy of Joint Integrity, which is part of global sealing solutions specialist Flexitallic, is aiming to enhance its commitment to supporting engineer competency in the North East process sector through its membership of NEPIC.

The Academy provides accredited, bespoke practical training to engineers and technicians covering all areas of Flange Assembly/Sealing Technology and Joint integrity, underpinning Loss of Containment Initiatives.

On-site Integrity audits also provide clients with aging assets invaluable technical evaluation of how to address corroded flanges and pipework from a gasket/ flange assembly perspective.

Various certification routes are available including the Engineering Construction Industry Training Board (ECITB) Critical Bolting Unit Route to Competency and Energy Institute (EI)-accredited mechanical joint integrity programmes, which are designed to increase competencies to ensure pipeline integrity and reinforce Flexitallic's commitment to safety and improving industry-wide standards.

The Academy have also recently been awarded a Cogent assured Gold Standard provider status specialising in the delivery of Workforce Development (Skills for Growth), an employer-devised training programme designed to enable science-based small businesses to develop their existing workforce.

Cogent has an assured network of providers throughout the country who meet rigorous standards to ensure the highest quality provision is obtained.

The assured network is aimed at ensuring high quality training across the entire science sector, promoting the availability of employer-backed training solutions, supporting new entrants into the sector, particularly through Apprenticeships, and boosting skills transferability.

Gary Milne, Technical Training Manager for the Academy, said: "Recognition from Cogent as an assured provider is a reflection of the quality of the training we provide. We see the value of Cogent-assurance and the use of its brand as a mark of quality."

Through its agreement with fellow NEPIC member, TTE Technical Training Group, the Academy provides training at Teesside, whilst also having facilities in Humberside, West Yorkshire and Aberdeen. Its mobile rigs are popular with end users who prefer to have training delivered on site.

To book a free Site Integrity Visit or discuss training certification options, please contact Gary Milne on 07770233001 or <a href="mailto:gmilne@flexitallic.eu">gmilne@flexitallic.eu</a>

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