

Press Release

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Arco's first ever full range of women's hi-vis hazardwear debuts on Safety & Health Expo's catwalk

Arco – the UK's leading safety company - is set to debut the industry's first ever full range of women's hi-vis hazardwear at Safety & Health Expo 2016 (**stand M2050-M2100**). Models will take to the runway donning garments specifically contoured to both fit the female form, and keep women safe at work with meticulously specified and placed reflective bands around the chest, arms or legs.

Visitors to Arco's stand will discover the company's latest advancements in safety services, such as specialist mortal risk areas including working at height and confined spaces. The company's award-winning mobile confined spaces training unit will also be on the stand, and experts will be on hand to answer questions and offer advice.

Arco is the first safety distributor to have its own, in-house, UKAS and SATRA independently accredited Product Assurance Laboratory. Recent testing has shown that some of the products that you assume to be safe may not actually be fit for purpose. Arco's quality experts will be on the stand to provide advice and information for visitors. For those keen to hear more, Arco's Marketing Director, Adam Young, will be putting quality and assurance in the spotlight, highlighting the topical issue of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) standards in the BOHS forum on Thursday 23rd June.

Other safety specialisms, such as hazard control, safety compliance, face-fit testing, and industrial skincare will be showcased.

For further information about Arco, visit <u>www.arco.co.uk</u>.

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About Arco

Arco is the UK's leading safety company. It distributes quality products and training and provides expert advice, helping to shape the safety world and make work a safer place. Founded in 1884 and with a heritage spanning four generations, Arco integrates traditional family values with pioneering innovation to offer a world-class range of over 170,000 quality assured, branded and own brand products, including personal protective equipment, clothing, footwear, gloves, workplace safety and hygiene products. Headquartered in Hull, Arco reaches its customers through its extensive product catalogue, interactive website and 48 strong trade counter network. The company has sales of over £268m and employs approximately 1600 people. Arco has been accredited a 'One to Watch' status in the Best Companies Times Top 100 Survey.

Arco is dedicated to its Corporate Social Responsibility policy and continually demonstrates its support of local business communities and charitable organisations, donating in excess of 1% of pre tax profits annually. In 2007, Arco became a member of the Ethical Trading Initiative (ETI) and in 2010 a member of Sedex, the Supplier Ethical Data Exchange. Going forward, Arco further demonstrates its position as the UK's leading safety company as the exclusive supplier of PPE, footwear and workwear to the BLOODHOUND project's support team involved with the design, build and race of a car to raise the world land speed record to 800 mph in 2015, and 1,000mph in 2016. For more information, visit <u>www.arco.co.uk</u>.