

#### **CONSULTING SCIENTISTS AND ENGINEERS**

Casework handled by the Dubai office in the last year includes:

- Land-based fire investigations
- Investigation of fires on board ships
- Provision of advice during live fire incidents at sea
- Investigation of self-heating incidents in marine cargoes
- Advice on the loading of dangerous cargoes, such as direct reduced iron
- Contamination assessments
- Investigation of chemical plant incidents and refrigeration failures
- Assessment of personal injury claims
- Provision of expert
  evidence in a range of
  litigation cases

Both Dr Jackson and Dr Cooper are available to give talks and demonstrations on the type of work that Burgoynes carries out, and are happy to visit clients wishing to gain a greater understanding of the role that forensic investigations can play in the life of a claim.

## **Latest News**

# September 2014

A year and a half after opening its first office in the Middle East, Burgoynes is pleased to announce the arrival of a second full time investigator, Dr Russell Cooper, who joins the Resident Director, Dr Daniel Jackson, in Dubai. Russell's appointment extends the range of services offered to clients within the UAE and the surrounding Gulf countries.

The Dubai office has seen demand for its forensic investigations from a wide range of clients, including loss adjusters, insurers, reinsurers, law firms and local business, from across the MENA region. With associated offices in the UK, Hong Kong and Singapore, Burgoynes is able to offer a rapid global response to incidents both on land and at sea.

# **Introducing Russell Cooper**

Russell gained his undergraduate degree at the University of Liverpool, following which he studied for his PhD at the University of Wales (Bangor). He moved on to work as an independent consultant, designing and delivering Incident Management and process related training for a major UK utilities company, after which he served operationally with a UK Fire and Rescue Service for nine years.

Russell joined Burgoynes in 2011 where he worked from the Manchester office before relocating to Dubai in August 2014. During his time with Burgoynes, he has been continuously involved in determining the cause and circumstances of incidents involving fires and explosions. Those incidents have involved shipping vessels, waste recycling facilities, warehouses, electrical appliances, electrical supply and distribution equipment, vehicles, fixed and portable heating equipment, catering equipment, industrial plant and machinery, deliberate acts of ignition and other forms of human agency, and explosions involving mains gas and the vapours of flammable liquids.

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