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## WE ARE CPD ACCREDITED!

*Get your points with us!*

We're proud to announce that SP-Wind is officially CPD (Continuing Professional Development) accredited with Saioosh. This exciting development means that participants can now earn valuable CPD points when they complete our training courses. Our Basic Safety Training (BST), BST Refresher, and Basic Technical Training (BTT) courses each earn 5 CPD points. Our Slinger Signaller (SLS) and Crane & Hoist Basic User (CHBU) courses offer 2 CPD points each, while the Service Lift User (SLU) course provides 1 CPD point. This recognition underscores SP-Wind's commitment to providing high-quality, industry-relevant training that supports your professional growth! **SP**



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# ART TRAINING *Uzu's Journey!*

Uzu's journey through ART (Advanced Rescue Training) is a testament to growth and the power of hands-on learning. As an instructor with a passion for skill development, Uzu embraced the physical and mental challenges of the course. Her experience highlights the importance of continuous training and the value of stepping outside one's comfort zone to become a more effective instructor.

**What motivated you to pursue ART training, and how has it impacted your skills as an instructor?**

I was motivated to do ART because I wanted to improve my skills in handling emergency situations. This training helped me respond better to difficult rescues and allows me to teach others the right way to stay safe while working at heights.

**What were some of the most challenging aspects of the training, and how did you overcome them?**

The hub rescue was challenging because it involved working in confined spaces, which made movement and access tricky. To overcome this, I focused on staying calm, using the right techniques to navigate tight areas, and working closely with my team also helped, as we supported each other to make the rescue more efficient.

**Can you share a specific moment during the training that stood out for you?**

What stood out for me during training was the importance of clear communication and teamwork. Staying connected with the team made a huge difference in how smoothly the rescue went.

**How does ART training prepare individuals to handle real-life rescue scenarios?**

ART prepares individuals for real-life rescues by teaching decision-making, teamwork, and handling pressure. It provides hands-on practice with

the proper techniques and equipment, helping people stay calm during emergencies.

**Were there any teamwork aspects in the training that stood out to you? How did these benefit your overall experience?**

Radios were a vital part of the teamwork during rescues, as they allowed for clear communication, quick updates, and better coordination. This helped ensure everyone was on the same page and allowed the team to react swiftly and effectively to situations.

**How do you plan to incorporate what you learned in ART into your instructing or future career goals?**

I plan to grow in my career by enhancing my skills in safety. Additionally, I want to train others in ART to pass on these crucial skills. SP





# SP-WIND *Highlights of the year!*

As 2024 comes to an end, it's time to celebrate the incredible achievements that have defined this year. From prestigious industry recognition to personal and professional development, the SP-Wind team has gone above and beyond at every turn. This year, we set new standards, achieved major milestones, and strengthened our mission to empower the wind energy workforce. Join us as we look back on the standout moments that made 2024 a year to remember!


**Pumeza:** My highlight for 2024 was traveling to Egypt, even though it was work related but I got to see another country and it's beautiful sights and meet nice people. Great experience!

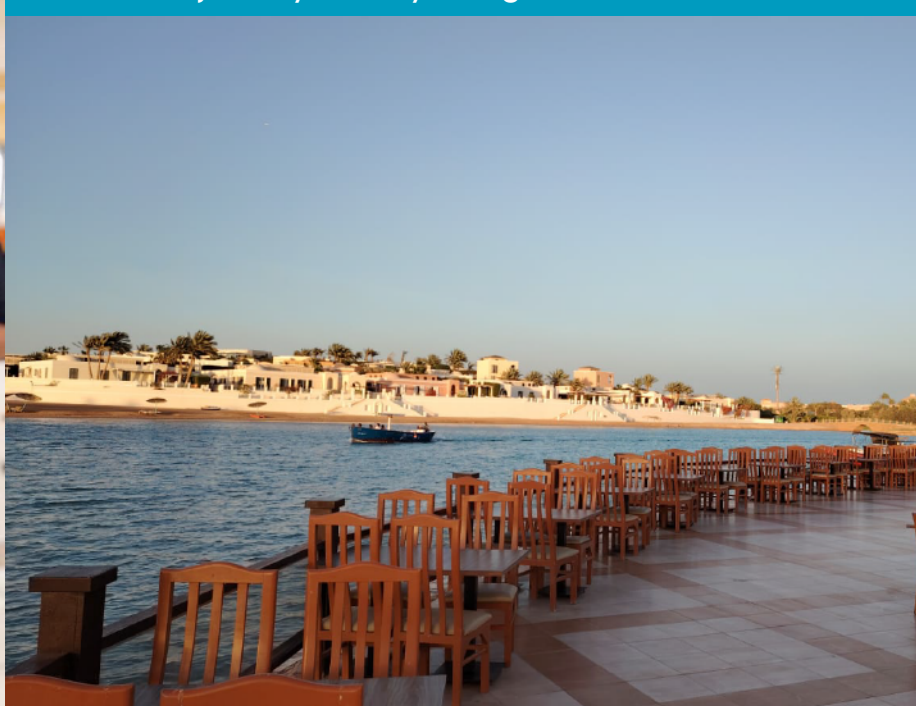


**Tanya:** My best moment of the year was to be on an active wind farm construction site. I saw the magnitude of the industry that you don't understand when working in an office.

**Juandr :** It is always nice in Egypt and all the technicians on-site and in the warehouses are always friendly and helpful. They always ask questions about South Africa how things are here.

**Anke:** My highlight for the year was having had the privilege to attend the 2024 GWO Forum and Awards in Orlando, Florida and bringing back home our 2024 Training Team of the Year Award on behalf of our team.

**Jayne:** This year has been an incredible year for me, filled with meaningful moments, inspiring people, and achievements that have made a lasting impact on SP-Wind's journey and my own growth. 



# MEET KYRIE! *New Team Member!*

Meet Kyrie, accounting assistant, our newest team member at SP-Wind! Learn more about her first month with us!

**What did you study or what training do you have in your field?**

I have an Advanced Diploma in Accounting. This took me 2 years to complete while working full time & being a Mom to a busy boy.

**What work experience do you have in your field?**

I have over 16 years' experience in finance, performing different tasks and functions. I have gained a great set of skills and a wealth of knowledge but I am always learning on the go.

**What do you enjoy most about your role and working at SP-Wind?**

I'm finally putting my studies into practice within my role, which is great for me. I do enjoy the yummy lunches provided, but I don't think my waistband agrees.



**What is different about your role and working for SP-Wind in comparison to your past working experience in your field?**

It's exciting to be working in a completely different industry which I find fascinating. Everyone helps everyone here, doesn't matter which department you're from, which shows great teamwork.

## *Happy Festive Season!*

Without your support, we would not have become who we are today, and we would like to thank you for that. We look forward to achieving great things together in the new year. May the wind blow your dreams into goals. We are wishing you a peaceful, safe and joyous festive season, and a prosperous new year.

*The SP-Wind Team*