

### **Willis sells Safety Solutions to AIMS Group**

Willis Group Holdings announces the sale of its Safety Solutions business to AIMS Group Limited. Terms are not being disclosed.

AIMS Group is a leading UK consultancy business providing compliance services to blue chip organisations with large property portfolios such as Retail, Financial, Property, Construction and Leisure.

Safety Solutions provides health and safety inspection, consultancy and training services to the UK construction sector. Based in Abingdon, Oxfordshire, the unit has approximately 35 employees.

Bringing Safety Solutions into AIMS will significantly expand the Constructions & Training operations for AIMS Group.

Commenting, Graham Brown, Chief Executive of AIMS Group, said: "Safety Solutions is an ideal fit into our Construction Safety & Training capability as we continue our ambitious growth strategy. It will also give us the opportunity to offer the wider range of AIMS Consultancy services in areas such as asbestos, fire, water, disability and data management to Safety Solutions' customers, as part of a 'one stop shop' service. It will also give us a much larger construction safety offering to existing AIMS customers".

Douglas Elliot, Chief Executive of Willis' UK and Republic of Ireland business said: "As Willis focusses on its core activities of insurance broking, it is appropriate that Safety Solutions joins an organization more closely aligned with its own activities. We thank Malcolm Clarke and his team for their contributions and extend every good wish to them for the future."

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