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## Automation and Industry: Mine Automation and Emerging Technologies Health and Safety Partnership



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## **Potential Hazards associated with Automation**

- Impact on the human
  - Work Intensification
  - Expectations of Situational Awareness
  - Equity
- Concern over loss of job
  - Change in types of tasks
  - Potential mismatch in jobs and skills, potential to exacerbate inequity
- Monitoring of workforce
  - Loss (or perceived loss) of human autonomy



## What's next!



- Tools for OSH practitioners
- Improve understanding of unintended worker consequences
- Human interface and implications of trust in systems
- Address worker discrimination, to include issues of health equity
- Augment human-decision making



Today's workers still face many hazards from work: some traditional, some new, some yet unknown.





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