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# IADC DRILLING HSE&T ASIA PACIFIC CONFERENCE & EXHIBITION

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The Asia Pacific region continues its transformation amid low oil prices and low day rates. Operators, drilling contractors and service/equipment providers all recognize the urgency in continuing to reduce costs and improve efficiency. During this downturn, technical innovations - from real-time monitoring to data analytics to slim-hole technologies - are being deployed to help lower operators' breakeven prices. At the same time, significant attention is being devoted to workforce recruitment and training, with human factors coming to the fore as the drilling industry gains a better understanding of its implications on safety performance.

The 10th anniversary of the **IADC Drilling HSE&T Asia Pacific Conference & Exhibition**, which will be celebrated on **24-25 January 2018 in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam**, will explore the critical challenges that drilling professionals face in this environment. In the face of prolonged low oil prices, how can companies high-grade their assets, right-size their organizations and equip their employees with the right competencies, all while staying on the cutting edge of the digital oilfield evolution?

The International Association of Drilling Contractors (IADC) is pleased to issue a call for abstracts for presentations at the upcoming IADC Drilling HSE&T Asia Pacific 2018 Conference & Exhibition in Ho Chi Minh City. Key topic areas are outlined below. Authors are encouraged to come equipped with not just the how's and why's but also with compelling results to share.

**Performance optimization:** Focus is shifting from reducing prices of goods and services to generating value by improving efficiency through technology, better work processes and changing standards. Collaboration - between operator and drilling contractor, between operator and service company, and among contractors themselves - has also become increasingly critical. Companies are invited to share experiences where improvements in technology, processes, standards and collaboration have helped to optimize their operations and performance.

**Safety and human factors:** Downturns challenge the morale and focus of our workforce, so organizations must work harder to help their employees understand that safety expectations do not change with fluctuations in the oil price. How can we take the opportunity of the downturn to high-grade the workforce? Share your innovations in safety technology; how to build company cultures to sustain incident-free operations; behavior-based safety; safety leadership; management of change; fitness for duty; and how to apply human factors to influence HSE results. Process safety-related topics are also of interest, including procedural compliance and self-verification; the use of leading

and lagging indicators; hazard assessment and risk management; and training and awareness.

**Big data and data analytics:** Data is more than a buzz word, and the drilling industry is increasingly learning to embrace data as the key element in pushing the next level of performance gains. A significant amount of data is already being collected, but how can the industry make such data actionable? Presentations are invited that share the state-of-the-art in data science, on cybersecurity, on innovations in applying data so that people on the rig can make better data-driven decisions, and on data standards and issues around interoperability.

**Rig equipment and innovations:** A significant number of drilling rigs around the world are stacked - how can drilling contractors ensure the proper maintenance of these units during the stacking period so that they can be efficiently brought back to work once the market recovers? For the rigs that continue to work, what can drilling contractors, operators and equipment providers do to reduce nonproductive time, particularly in the critical path? Presentations on mechanization and automation innovations, as well as equipment maintenance, are also welcome.

**Workforce development and training:** The industry has learned from past experience that it must continue to invest in talent recruitment and development despite economic challenges. This is especially critical considering the rapid evolution of technology and the growing use of data to manage and optimize drilling operations. How can we skill the teams to keep the staff agile and adaptable to the market requirements? What changes are needed for current training systems? The industry still needs employees with the appropriate competencies to crew the rigs and to ensure wellbore integrity to prevent well control incidents. Presentations on innovative training methods, talent attraction, recruitment and retention, as well as engaging with next-generation employees, are invited.

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Authors are invited to submit proposals for presentations at the conference. For consideration, an abstract for each proposed paper must be submitted to IADC no later than **11 September 2017**. Authors of papers selected will receive confirmation letters and guidelines by 6 October 2017. Please note that formal papers are encouraged but are NOT required for this conference. Prior to paper proposal submission, management clearance must be obtained. Any issues concerning clearance should be outlined when the paper proposal is submitted.

We look forward to your participation and hope to see you at the 10th anniversary of the IADC Drilling HSE&T Asia Pacific Conference & Exhibition!

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24-25 January 2018 • Le Méridien Saigon • Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam

Instructions for Submitting Abstracts: To be selected for presentations, papers must be of great interest to drilling contractors, operators, service companies, training institutions and equipment manufacturers. A detailed abstract must be submitted online at:

[www.iadc.org/event/asia-pacific-drilling-hset-2018](http://www.iadc.org/event/asia-pacific-drilling-hset-2018)

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**Deadline for Abstracts - 11 September 2017**

### UPCOMING CONFERENCES:

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#### **IADC World Drilling 2017 Conference & Exhibition**

28-29 June 2017 • Beurs van Berlage • Amsterdam

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"Enabling the Upturn: Collaboration, Integration & Technology." Industry anticipates a return to "normalcy" over the next several months, but no one is passing out guarantees. As events unfold, we wells professionals should focus on what we can control, rather than what controls us. IADC World Drilling 2017 will explore how we can enable the upturn. Central to preparing for higher activity are collaboration, integration and technology. Wise implementation of these concepts can lower costs and increase value across all sectors. IADC World Drilling 2017, the leadership event for wells professionals, will center on strategic presentations and panels to explore from a big-picture, leadership perspective our industry's challenges.

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#### **IADC Drilling HSE&T Europe 2017 Conference & Exhibition**

27-28 September 2017 • Mövenpick Hotel Amsterdam City Centre • Amsterdam

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Even in the midst of our industry's current market correction, IADC remains committed to improving safety performance, both in terms of personal safety and process safety. As an industry, we owe it to our members, your staff and stakeholders to strive for an incident-free workplace. The IADC Drilling HSE&T Europe 2017 Conference & Exhibition will examine a range of topics including management of high-consequence events, human factors, competency, health, environment and security. Papers and topics will be presented on ensuring and sustaining incident-free operations during drilling and completion, as well as competency, worker health and environmental stewardship.

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#### **IADC Drilling Middle East 2017 Conference & Exhibition**

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Although the Middle East market has remained resilient through the downturn, this region continues to face challenges around workforce development, drilling efficiency, safety and security, and equipment maintenance. The IADC Drilling Middle East 2017 Conference & Exhibition will bring together industry leaders and drilling professionals to discuss such challenges and share best practices. Cutting-edge technology advances, including drilling automation, will be featured, as will case studies of relevant technical achievements. The premier event also will highlight evolving approaches to safety and training, providing practical information on new tools and processes that can be used to improve HSE performance.

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