

# Society of Petroleum Engineers



You are invited to attend a meeting and dinner hosted by the SPE Research & Development Technical Section and sponsored by Marathon Oil Company at the SPE Annual Technical Conference and Exhibition. This event is scheduled for Sunday, 19 September from 7:30 to 10:00 p.m. in the Fortezza de Bassa, Sala Della Scherma/ Monumentale Building, First Floor.

There is no charge to attend this meeting. However, due to limited seating, please contact Brittney Pegues ([bpegues@spe.org](mailto:bpegues@spe.org)) by Friday, 3 September if you plan to attend.

**Guest Speaker - John Donachie will present "Technology Adoption in a Risk Adverse Industry"**

*The adoption of new ideas in any industry is a challenge, but the oil and gas industry is equally tested when it comes to risk aversion. This presentation provides new ideas and answers to questions raised by technology evaluators.*

*John Donachie is a mechanical engineering graduate. He is Vice President of Simmons & Company's industry and technology team. Since joining the company four years ago his responsibilities include mergers, acquisitions, and financing transactions in the oil and gas industry. His remit is to locate new opportunities and deliver transactions from an industry and technology perspective. Prior to Simmons, he worked with Schlumberger commercializing new technologies and with Helix-RDS as a production engineer.*

*John is near the end of his tenure as SPE North Sea Regional Director and will serve on the 2011 ATCE Program Committee. He also serves on the Robert Gordon University Equity Panel.*

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We look forward to seeing you in Florence!

David Curry

Chairman, R&D Technical Section