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Asset Integrity Management in an Age of Uncertainty
Dear Colleague,

The Society of Petroleum Engineers (SPE) and the 2018 Oilfield Corrosion Programme Committee would like to invite you to submit your paper proposals for the eighth SPE International Oilfield Corrosion Conference and Exhibition, which will take place on 18-19 June in Aberdeen.

Despite tentative signs of recovery, the Oil & Gas industry continues to undergo a painful adjustment to tough economic conditions, as companies look to consolidate and build upon the cost efficiency gains that followed the collapse of the oil price. While producing assets and life extension projects will continue to provide operational and maintenance opportunities, the business has also seen an unprecedented number of mergers and acquisitions, with companies re-adjusting to an unpredictable market and aligning their complementary products and services to offer a more integrated and broader portfolio of solutions that increase innovation, improve execution and reduce costs. At the same time, decommissioning activities have shown exceptional growth and are forecast to accelerate further in the future.

The wide spectrum of requirements for effective corrosion management throughout an asset’s lifecycle presents both familiar and new challenges to be addressed. To this end, the 2018 theme for the conference is Asset Integrity Management in an Age of Uncertainty. The committee invites technical papers around this theme from industry professionals and academics worldwide.

Following the success of the 2012, 2014 and 2016 events, the conference format will offer a combination of formal paper presentations and workshops. The morning sessions will allow for the presentation of new projects, technologies, challenges, and issues, while the afternoon discussion sessions will give attendees the opportunity to debate and review a range of key industry topics.

The event programme will allow for ample meeting and networking opportunities for all participants, including at the official conference dinner and the exhibition, which will be open on all conference days. Attendees typically include academics and industry experts, as well as professionals in operator and service companies.

During the conference, poster sessions will support the presentation of research work and technical project summaries, aimed in particular at graduate and postgraduate activities and junior industry professionals. Posters will be judged during the conference, with the best one being awarded the poster prize during the wrap-up session. SPE is also pleased to be able to offer corrosion management training courses in conjunction with the conference.

The committee cordially invites you to the 2018 SPE International Conference and Exhibition on Oilfield Corrosion and looks forward to seeing you in Aberdeen.

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TECHNICAL CATEGORIES

• Corrosion mechanisms, methods, modelling and monitoring
  - Sweet and sour corrosion challenges
  - External corrosion
  - CUI and fabric maintenance
  - Microbiologically-influenced corrosion
  - Oxygen limits and impact on localised corrosion
• Corrosion management and material selection with reduced budgets for:
  - Wells
  - Subsea pipelines
  - Onshore & Offshore Assets
  - Downstream
• Full cycle corrosion management from conceptual design to decommissioning
• Life extension: fitness-for-purpose assessments with limited historical data
• Failure analysis and lifetime prediction
• Chemical treatments
• Erosion management
• Inspection:
  - Novel techniques for the evaluation of chloride stress corrosion cracking in ageing assets
  - Localised corrosion – detection and quantification of magnitude
• Material qualification testing: supporting safety and economics
• Design developments in CRA materials
• Coatings
• Operator and supplier experience: case studies
• Trends in standards
• Well integrity

PAPER PROPOSAL SUBMISSION DEADLINE: 11 October 2017

If you have any questions about the submission process, please contact Annie Nagem at londonprog@spe.org or +44 207 299 3300.

SUBMITTAL GUIDELINES

General Guidelines
1. Obtain clearance from your management.
2. The paper proposal must be a minimum of 225 words and no more than 350 words in length. Include a description of the proposed paper, results/conclusions, and the technical category applicable to your paper.
3. The proposal must be received by 11 October 2017.
4. Submit your paper online at www.spe.org/go/18OFCS.
5. Do not include the title or author names in the body of the abstract. The title and author information will be requested separately through the submission.
6. Do not include tables, figures, bibliographic lists, or subscripts in your abstract. They can be uploaded separately.
7. Please note that, if accepted, your paper proposal may be published, as submitted, in conference information media, including on the SPE website.
8. Authors whose paper proposals are accepted will be required to provide a manuscript for inclusion in the conference proceedings. Authors who do not submit a manuscript and the associated publication forms by the manuscript due date will be withdrawn from the programme and will not be allowed to present. Manuscripts will be due to SPE no later than 2 April 2018.
9. Please note: If you are interested in having a technical paper published without presenting at a conference, you should submit the paper as an unsolicited manuscript. For more details, please visit www.spe.org.

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Abstract Submission Deadline: 11 October 2017
Draft Manuscript Deadline (for committee review): 19 March 2018
Manuscript Submission Deadline: 2 April 2018

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