CALL FOR PAPERS

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Dear industry colleagues,

It is with great pleasure that I am able to declare the ADIPEC 2017 call for papers now open. Do not miss your chance to be part of the ADIPEC 2017 experience. I encourage you to submit a technical paper for this year's conference.

With market conditions beginning to stabilise after a challenging couple of years, there has never been a better time to be part of ADIPEC. Held under the patronage of His Highness Sheikh Khalifa Bin Zayed Al Nahyan, President of the United Arab Emirates, ADIPEC will open its doors to the public from 13 - 16 November 2017. This year’s edition of the show promises to be bigger and better than ever before.

By submitting abstracts for ADIPEC 2017, you have the chance to shape and influence the topics that the industry will be talking about at this year’s event. ADIPEC 2017 is the perfect platform for you to share your knowledge and expertise.

Last year, ADIPEC attracted record numbers of attendees, with over 96,000 people converging on Abu Dhabi to participate in the event. ADIPEC’s prestigious conference was the most successful to date, with more than 750 expert speakers hosting 162 individual conference sessions. From upstream exploration and production technologies, to plant optimisation in the downstream sector, every aspect of the hydrocarbon value chain is analysed, debated and discussed at ADIPEC.

This year, the technical categories for paper proposals are more comprehensive than ever before with three additional categories. Papers will be accepted under the categories of: E&P Geoscience; Unconventional Resources; Field Development; Drilling and Completion Technology, Project Engineering and Management; Operational Excellence; HSE; Gas Technology; People and Talent; Offshore and Marine; IOR/EOR, Production Facilities Technologies; and Petroleum Advanced Analytics.

As a technical expert you are invited to demonstrate a pioneering technology that you have been involved with, an innovative strategy or solution to a particularly challenging problem on which you have worked, or exemplify best practice in an area that could significantly boost performance in the energy sector.

If you have first-hand experience in any of these areas and would like to share your knowledge with the energy sector’s most influential minds, I encourage you to submit your abstracts before 2 May 2017 to be considered to present at the region’s biggest oil and gas event. We look forward to reviewing your submissions.

Yours sincerely,

Ali Khalifa Al Shamsi
CEO, Al Yasat Petroleum Operations Company Ltd and Chairman of ADIPEC 2017
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- ADIPEC is home to one of the world’s biggest and most important technical conferences with over 106 technical sessions and 750+ speakers in 2016.
- As a distinguished speaker at ADIPEC, the opportunity to network extends beyond the conference programme, with 2,034+ exhibiting companies on the show floor with whom you can interact.
- Extend your influence as part of an exceptional Technical Programme.
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Host to 10,009 conference delegates from 85 countries, the 2016 ADIPEC Conference attracted over 700 expert speakers in their field. Growth in delegate numbers has increased year on year from 5,800 in 2013, to 6,828 in 2014, to 8,555 in 2015 and 10,009 in 2016.

With the 2017 call for papers now open, technical professionals have the opportunity to submit abstracts before 2 May, to be considered for the 2017 ADIPEC Conference. ADIPEC is testament to the rising demand for knowledge exchange in the Middle East, Africa & Asian Sub-Continent in our ever-changing energy world.

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- Operational Excellence
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4. Seismic Inversion in Reservoir Modelling
5. Advances in Seismic Processing and Acquisition, including Minimisation of Environmental Impacts and Enhancement of Vertical Resolution to Image Thin Reservoir Zones
6. Challenges and Solutions in Exploration and Reservoir Characterisation
7. Advances in Formation Evaluation and Petrophysics
8. Advances in Reservoir Characterisation (SCAL, RRT, Core Integration, PNM, Digital Rock Physics)
9. Faults and Fracture Characterisation, Fault Seal Analysis/DFN Modelling
10. Advancement in Real-Time Formation Evaluation Case Studies (Geosteering, Well Placement, Logging Tool Selection)
12. Tight Reservoirs, Fracture Characterization and Modelling
13. SCAL/DRP and Fluid Rock Interaction
14. Integration of Magnetic Resonance (CMR/NMR) Logs, MICP, SCAL, CCA Data in Defining Carbonate Petrophysical Rock Typing
15. New Approaches in Characterisation and Modelling of Complex Reservoirs
16. Geostatistics and Static Modelling
17. Basin Analysis and Modelling; Source to Migration to Trapment
18. Data-Driven Analytics; Applications in G&G
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20. R&D: Geoscience Technology Development and Deployment
21. Advances in Dynamic Formation Evaluation
22. 4D Seismic in Carbonate Reservoir—Challenges and Opportunities
23. Open Hole and Cased Hole Logging
24. Petrophysics of Naturally-Fractured Reservoirs
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26. Emerging Logging Technologies and Interpretation Methods

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28. Fracking Techniques, Plug and Perf and Compartmentalisation

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29. An Opportunity for the Middle East?
30. Unconventional Gas Exploration and Appraisal in the Middle East
31. Unconventional Resource Assessment: Methods to Estimate Gas Volumes in Place and Ultimate Recovery
32. Geomechanics, Horizontal Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing in Shale Gas Plays

### UNCONVENTIONAL OIL:

33. Unconventional Oil Exploration and Appraisal in the Middle East
34. Advances in Understanding of Shale Gas Transport, Recovery Enhancement, and Simulation Modelling
35. Geological and Geophysical Characterisation
36. Petrophysical Characterisation
37. Geomechanics
38. Reservoir Modelling
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41. Technical and Operational Challenges of Tight Gas and Oil and Shale Gas and Oil

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89. Step Change in Drilling Efficiency
90. Extended Reach Technology and Beyond MRC
91. Real Value of Real-Time Drilling Operations
92. Advances in Drilling Bit Technology and Deployment
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94. Rig and Equipment Integrity Management-Best Practices
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96. Advances in Deep Water Drilling Technology
97. Advances in Drilling Fluid and Cementing Technology
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102. Latest in Well Integrity Management
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120. Realising Opportunities of Smart Field Technology/Automation
121. Flow Assurance: Engineering and Project

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123. Managing Process Safety throughout the Asset Life Cycle
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125. Managing Process Safety through Effective Integrity Management
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132. Innovative Solutions to Overcome Production Constraints (Oil, Gas, and Produced Water Handling)
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180. Effective Knowledge Management Strategies
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199. Microbial EOR
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