Officially founded in 1957, SPE’s predecessor organizations date from the birth of the oil industry in the late 1880s.

Background
SPE is a not-for-profit professional society whose members are engaged in energy resources development and production. SPE is a key resource for technical knowledge related to the oil and gas exploration and production industry, and provides services through publications, events, training courses and online resources at www.spe.org. Income from SPE events and services are invested back into SPE to support many other society programs.

Mission
To collect, disseminate and exchange technical knowledge concerning the exploration, development and production of oil and gas resources and related technologies for the public benefit; and to provide opportunities for professionals to enhance their technical and professional competence.

Major Technical Disciplines
Upstream oil and gas operations, including Drilling; Completions; Health, Safety, and Environment; Data Science and Engineering Analytics; Management; Production and Operations; Projects, Facilities and Construction; and Reservoir.

Membership
More than 140,000 members in 144 countries participate in 204 sections and 396 student chapters. SPE’s membership includes more than 70,000 student members.

Resources
SPE.org: view the global events calendar; register for SPE conferences, workshops, webinars and training courses; search SPE technical papers; find industry reference information; read SPE publications and journals; and purchase technical books. Members can manage their accounts, find local SPE meetings, collaborate with colleagues in online communities, submit papers for conferences, and nominate colleagues for awards.


Energy4me.org: SPE energy education website providing resources for speakers, teachers, and students on all energy sources and energy careers.

Conferences and Exhibitions
SPE sponsors more than 110 conferences, exhibitions, forums and workshops each year. The technical programs are presented and created by SPE members and industry professionals. For a complete listing of SPE events and dates, visit www.spe.org/events.

Governing Body
Board of Directors: four officers, one director for academia, one at-large directors, 13 regional directors, and six technical directors.

Board Committees: audit; engagement and development; finance; knowledge capture and delivery; member programs; and meetings and training.