

SPE Mission

The mission of the Society of Petroleum Engineers is 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.

SPE Member Resource Guide

Get Started

Welcome to SPE. Please take advantage of the helpful information we have compiled to get you started on your journey.

Get Connected

Make the most of your SPE membership. Get connected and take your career to the next level.

Get Informed

Take control of your professional growth. SPE offers the technical resources you need to get informed.

Get Involved

Give back to the profession and support the SPE community. We provide multiple ways for you to get involved and make a difference.

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Essential Tools for SPE Members

Member Number

Your assigned member number can be found online at www.spe.org/member/access/MyAccount.

- Please make note of this number. It is unique to you and serves as the primary identifier of your membership record.
- You can also print your membership card online at www.spe.org/members.

SPE Login

Accessing the member-only areas of SPE.org requires your member login.

- Your login is the preferred email address you submitted on your application.
- Your email address must be valid and unique. A shared email address cannot be used.
- If you did not supply your email address with your member application, you will not be able to log in to the website. Contact customer service to have your email address added to your member record.

SPE Password

If you applied online for membership, your password was established at that time. Your password defaults to a system-generated password if you submitted a printed application.

- Please log in immediately and change your password. From this point forward, you will not use the new registration option on the login page. This is for guest users and is not associated with your membership account or benefits.
- If you forget your password, select the “Forgot Password?” option on the login page of www.spe.org. Enter your SPE login email address. You will then receive an email with a link to reset your password.

Proof of Payment

Your SPE membership proof of payment was sent to your preferred email address. You can access your receipts online at www.spe.org/member/access/Purchases.

Primary Section

- Section affiliation can be changed at any time by logging in to your member profile.
- You can choose to belong to additional sections for USD 15.

SPE Member Profile

Your SPE member profile contains your communication preferences, areas of technical interest, and other details related to your member record. This important information helps us communicate with you throughout the year.

- If you move or change jobs, please be sure to update your member profile.

Dues

Your SPE membership is annual, based on a calendar year of January through December.

- You can print your annual invoice or receipt online at www.spe.org/member/access/Purchases.
- To avoid an interruption in your member benefits, renewal payment must be received by 31 December each year.

Join Date

Your continuous years of SPE membership are calculated from your join date.

- A certificate of membership reflecting your join date can be printed online at www.spe.org/member/access/MyAccount.
- SPE bestows special honors for those who have reached 25, 30, and 50 years of continuous membership.
- If you were previously a member of SPE, you may reinstate your membership from the original join date by contacting customer service.

Online Resource Center

Visit the online resource center at www.spe.org/memberbasics to access additional knowledge on the SPE products and services you find most important to your career.

Journal of Petroleum Technology[®] magazine (*JPT*)

This society publication is the information source for petroleum industry advances. All SPE members receive a monthly print or online subscription to *JPT* with payment of their membership dues. Your first issue will arrive within six to twelve weeks from your join date.

SPE Annual Technical Conference and Exhibition

You are cordially invited to attend SPE's meeting of its members, the Annual Technical Conference and Exhibition (ATCE). ATCE offers you the chance to hear regional and international perspectives on every technical area of the E&P industry. Attendees come from around the world to learn about the latest tools and techniques through technical presentations and an exhibition. The President's Luncheon and the Annual Banquet offer opportunities to celebrate key successes for SPE and our members. As an SPE member, you receive discounted registration to the conference. www.spe.org/atce

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Visit the Online Resource Center at www.spe.org/memberbasics.

Technical Disciplines

As a new member, you selected one of the following primary technical disciplines when you completed your membership application.

- Completions
- Drilling
- Health, Safety, Security, Environment, and Social Responsibility
- Management and Information
- Production and Operations
- Projects, Facilities, and Construction
- Reservoir Description and Dynamics

SPE organizes activities around seven primary disciplines, and programs are tailored to the interests of each. Our technical discipline classifications offer a way to help you focus on the programs and information of greatest interest to you.

Look for these icons to identify programs of interest to you.

Completions



Drilling



Health, Safety, Security,
Environment, and Social
Responsibility



Management and
Information



Production and
Operations



Projects, Facilities, and
Construction



Reservoir Description
and Dynamics



In Person

Events

Each year, SPE organizes more than 150 topical, regional, and international events around the world. By attending one of these events, you have the opportunity to exchange ideas, network, and discover new technologies with some of the brightest minds in the E&P industry.

Local Section Meetings

SPE has more than 200 self-governing sections, or local affiliates, made up of members residing in a specific geographic area. The sections are organized into regions, and each region has representation on the SPE International Board of Directors.

Attending your section meeting, often held on a monthly basis, is a great way to meet and network with local industry professionals and exchange technical information without having to travel extensively.

Online

Membership Directory

SPE's online membership directory is a service provided free of charge to all SPE members. It permits members to contact other members and to conduct personal and society business. The directory lists each member's preferred address, work telephone and/or facsimile number(s), and email address. SPE strictly prohibits use of the directory information for commercial, political, or promotional purposes. We reserve the right to limit or terminate use of the directory at any time.

You can opt out of the online membership directory within your member profile.

SPE Connect

SPE Connect is your link to SPE members worldwide. It is a virtual community where you can meet, collaborate, and discuss specific technical challenges and resolutions.

Share your experience and knowledge, or draw from the combined talent and expertise of SPE's membership base in SPE Connect's online communities.

SPE Connect is also accessible through your mobile device—a free app is available for Apple, Google, and Android devices.

Technical Resources

Publications

SPE publications cover all aspects of the upstream oil and gas industry and are considered the leading source of industry technical applications, issues, and discoveries.

Peer-Reviewed Journals—Delivering technology you can use and solutions you can trust, SPE peer-reviewed journals feature top papers that are evaluated and selected by industry experts to represent the best of current and emerging technologies. SPE journals offer the best way to keep up with important technologies and solutions in your discipline.

Technical Papers—The technical content from SPE events and journals is also available in OnePetro, a multisociety library. Search for solutions across a broad range of technical literature covering the oil and gas exploration and production industry.

SPE Bookstore—SPE publishes a wide range of books, including textbooks, monographs, and reprints, written by respected experts in the upstream oil and gas industry. Used by students and practicing engineers alike, books from SPE provide education for readers on technology and applications. SPE titles deliver the critical information professionals need to succeed.

The SPE Bookstore also includes conference proceedings and select titles available in digital format.

Events

SPE events offer technical knowledge and key information you can use on the job.

Forums are unique, by invitation-only SPE events that bring together top technologists, innovators, and managers to address a specific industry challenge. The objective is to stimulate thought, accelerate innovation, and inspire the development of new technology.

Conferences can be focused on a specific topic or have a broad technical scope. The technical program covers current applications and/or future technologies. Conferences typically offer special sessions, such as panel discussions and luncheons, along with the technical sessions. In most cases, conferences also feature an exhibition of the latest products and services, offering attendees a chance to experience new equipment technologies in person.

Workshops are topic-specific, intensive events that are smaller in scope and size than conferences. Workshops maximize the exchange of ideas among attendees and presenters through brief technical presentations followed by extended Q&A periods. Focused topics attract an informed audience eager to discuss issues critical to advancing both technology and best practices.

Training Courses offer a quick, convenient, and cost-effective way to build your knowledge on a focus area or topic. They are lecture based and led by select instructors. SPE training courses are held in conjunction with select SPE conferences, through your local section, or at the SPE training centers in Houston, Calgary, and Dubai. You will receive Continuing Education Units (CEUs) for completion of a course.

Webinars and Online Education allow you to expand your technical knowledge right from your computer. Join our industry experts as they explore solutions to real problems and discuss trending topics.

Members receive substantial discounts on SPE technical resources.

Local Section Educational Events

Your local section may host events to keep you abreast of the latest E&P developments. In addition, many sections produce a newsletter that contains information on upcoming events.

Distinguished Lecturer (DL) Program—Each year 35 to 40 Distinguished Lecturers, known experts in their field, are chosen to travel across the world and disseminate technical information to local sections. SPE sections are entitled to three DL presentations every year—in all, more than 450 presentations are made annually.

Technical Sections

SPE technical sections bring SPE members together to share ideas, promote competence, and develop projects related to their technical interest. They mostly meet virtually but are encouraged to hold a face-to-face meeting at least once a year.

Petroleum Engineering Certification Program

SPE members have the opportunity to obtain a recognized credential. The program offers a measurable evaluation of a member's technical knowledge and skills, while recognizing their compliance with international standards for petroleum professionals as established by SPE.

To become certified, applicants must complete a four-step process:

1. Educational verification
2. Industry experience
3. Commitment to professional ethics
4. Successful passing of the program's certification exam

PetroWiki

The upstream oil and gas industry's first fully moderated wiki is your source for

- Information—Find technically sound information moderated by industry experts.
- Resources—Access basic engineering calculations, the *Petroleum Engineering Handbook*, links to OnePetro articles, and more.
- Expertise—SPE professional members can contribute to PetroWiki. Share what you know, and benefit from others' contributions to this valuable resource.

SPE Competency Management Tool

Take control of your professional development. Our web-based resource enables E&P professionals to plan their career advancement in two steps:

Step 1: The Assessment

Test capabilities against job competency models to identify knowledge gaps relative to industry standards.

Step 2: The Individual Learning Plan

View customized recommendations to fill competency gaps, including training courses, papers, and other resources.

Learn more and watch the video at www.spe.org/training/cmt.

SPE Members in Transition Toolkit

The Members in Transition Toolkit provides information, resources, and programs to assist you through every industry cycle. Learn more at www.spe.org/members/transition.

Visit the Online Resource Center at www.spe.org/memberbasics.

Local Sections

Local SPE sections provide members the opportunity to engage in activities specific to the needs of their colleagues and community.

Public Awareness—Many sections hold community relations programs to provide educators, news media, government officials, and other opinion leaders with facts about the petroleum engineering profession and the industry.

Community Involvement Through Energy4me®—SPE's global energy education outreach program, Energy4me, offers prepared presentations and classroom activities you can download for free. Many sections engage students in their communities by giving presentations about the industry, judging science fairs, and facilitating field trips and tours of petroleum operations. In addition, sections donate copies of the *Oil and Natural Gas* book and Energy4me presentation kit to local schools.

Young Members—Many sections plan events and activities geared toward young professionals and university students to provide academic and career guidance.

Volunteer

Become a volunteer and use your knowledge and experience to influence SPE programs and activities. As a volunteer, you can enhance your leadership skills while meeting and working with other SPE members from across the globe. There are many opportunities to choose from, regardless of your technical interest, location, or experience level.

Recruit

You can make a powerful difference by sharing the benefits of membership and encouraging others to join. Any professional member who recruits 100 or more people to join SPE is inducted into the Century Club. This exclusive club includes complimentary Life Membership, which waives dues fees, and recognition on SPE's website and at the Annual Banquet held at ATCE. Bulk dues program participants and student members are exempt from earning the Century Club award.

Nominate

Recognize colleagues for their outstanding contributions to the E&P industry. SPE awards acknowledge members for their:

- Technical contributions to the industry
- Professional excellence
- Career achievement
- Service to colleagues
- Outstanding industry leadership

Mentor

SPE's eMentoring program gives members a way to contribute to the E&P industry by sharing professional insight and practical career advice with young professionals or guidance on academic direction and career choice for university students. In addition to being mentored, young professionals also have a unique opportunity to serve as mentors to students who are seeking the guidance of younger professionals as they transition into the working world.

SPE Member—Quick Resource Guide

Keep track of important information related to your SPE membership.

Member Number

SPE Login (Your preferred email address)

SPE Password

Join Date

Local Section Assignment

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Policies and Governance

Brief History

The history of SPE begins with the American Institute of Mining Engineers (AIME). AIME was founded in 1871 in Pennsylvania, USA, to advance the production of metals, minerals, and energy resources through the application of engineering. In 1913, a standing committee on oil and gas was created within AIME and proved to be the genesis of SPE. The Oil and Gas Committee of AIME soon evolved into the Petroleum Division of AIME as membership grew and as interest among the members was more clearly delineated among the mining, metallurgical, and petroleum specializations.

American Institute of Mining, Metallurgical, and Petroleum Engineers (AIME)

AIME was founded in 1871 by 22 mining engineers in Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania, USA. The goal then is the same today—to advance the knowledge of engineering and the arts and sciences involved in the production and use of minerals, metals, materials, and energy resources, while disseminating information about significant developments in these areas of technology. It is composed of five separately incorporated units—the AIME Institute Headquarters and four autonomous member societies: the Society of Mining, Metallurgy, and Exploration (SME); the Minerals, Metals & Materials Society (TMS); the Association for Iron and Steel Technology (AIST); and the Society of Petroleum Engineers (SPE).

SPE Foundation

The SPE Foundation was established in 1977. All living past SPE presidents serve as trustees for the foundation. The foundation is dedicated to supporting and augmenting key SPE programs, including the Distinguished Lecturer Program, scholarships and student programs, energy education, and webinars. The SPE Foundation welcomes the support of all individuals, corporations, and other organizations that have a continuing interest in the advancement of technologies to meet energy resource requirements today and in the future.

Policies and Procedures

SPE members expect high standards of integrity of themselves and of other members. In carrying out our mission, to which no exception is made, all SPE activities shall be conducted according to our policies and procedures.

Guidelines for Members

Code of Professional Conduct

Preamble: SPE Professionals are to exhibit the highest standards of competency, honesty, integrity, and impartiality; and are fair and equitable; and accept a personal responsibility for adherence to applicable laws, the protection of the environment, and safeguarding the public welfare in their professional actions and behavior. These principles govern professional conduct in serving the interests of the public, clients, employers, colleagues, and the profession.

SPE Professionals

1. Offer services in the areas of their competence and experience affording full disclosure of their qualifications.
2. Consider the consequences of their work and societal issues pertinent to it and seek to extend public understanding of those relationships.
3. Are honest, truthful, ethical, and fair in presenting information and in making public statements reflecting on colleagues' professional matters and their professional role, whether verbal or through printed or electronic media.
4. Engage in professional relationships without bias or prejudice based on race, religion, gender, age, ethnicity, national origin, sexual orientation, marital status, socioeconomic status, political affiliation, or disability.

5. Act in professional matters for each employer or client as faithful agents or trustees by not disclosing without consent, or taking improper advantage of, anything of a proprietary or confidential nature concerning the business affairs or technical processes of any present or former client or employer.
 6. Disclose to affected parties known or potential conflicts of interest or other circumstances which might influence—or appear to influence—judgment or impair the fairness or quality of their performance.
 7. Are responsible for enhancing their professional competence throughout their careers, for promoting others to advance their learning and competence, and not falsely obtaining competency credentials through misrepresentation of experience or misconduct.
 8. Accept responsibility for their actions; seek and acknowledge criticism of their work; offer honest and constructive criticism of the work of others; properly credit the contributions of others; and do not accept credit for work that is not their own work.
 9. When perceiving a consequence of their professional duties to adversely affect the present or future public health and safety shall formally advise their employers or clients, and subordinates and, if warranted, consider further disclosure to appropriate parties.
 10. Seek to adopt technical and economic measures to render potentially adverse impacts to environment or the health, safety, and security of the public as low as reasonably practicable.
 11. Act in accordance with all applicable laws and the canons of ethics as applicable to the practice of engineering as stated in the laws and regulations governing the practice of engineering in their country, territory, or state, and lend support to others who strive to do likewise.
 - Approved by the Board of Directors 25 February 1985
 - Revised by the Board of Directors 26 September 2004
 - Revised by the Board of Directors 19 September 2010
 - Revised by the Board of Directors 29 September 2013
 12. Do not engage to offer or accept bribes or facilitate payments, either directly or indirectly, not only in compliance with anti-bribery laws but also in maintenance of high professional and ethical standards.
 - Approved by the Board of Directors 25 February 1985
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- Violation of the SPE Code of Professional Conduct may result in noncompliance filed with the SPE Conduct Review Committee, and the Committee can recommend actions that may include no penalty, to give a warning, to suspend the member's SPE membership for a set period, or to permanently expel the member from SPE membership.
- Noncompliance filing can be initiated by contacting president@spe.org.

Anti-Harassment Policy

SPE promotes an environment that is free from inappropriate behavior and harassment by or towards its staff and members, and expects its members, staff, contractors, suppliers, and customers to treat each other with respect. This global policy applies to all locations and situations where SPE conducts business, including all SPE-sponsored activities and events, and covers all officers, directors, and other SPE members.

Conflict of Interest Statement

SPE members expect high standards of integrity of themselves and of other members. SPE members should not participate in any board or committee decision for which they may be unable to maintain professional objectivity because of a personal situation, employment, or other conflicts of interest.

Guidelines for Online Communities

Online communities are maintained by SPE to assist the interaction of community members and their work on tasks undertaken to fulfill the SPE mission. Comments by participants represent the views and opinions of those individuals and do not necessarily reflect the position of SPE, its officers and directors, or other SPE members.

Statement of Antitrust Compliance Policy

SPE is a professional organization formed 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.

In carrying out these objectives, it is SPE's firm and resolute policy, to which no exception is made, that all SPE activities shall be conducted in strict conformity with applicable antitrust laws. SPE will not condone any violation of its policy in this regard, and any member or employee who violates such policy will be subject to expulsion or discharge from SPE.

The above stated purposes also serve the goal of promoting competition. To this end, and to the end of avoiding violation of the antitrust laws, SPE has adopted an Antitrust Compliance Policy that specifically requires observance of the following principles.

Data Use Policy

The SPE Data Use Policy is intended to provide the greatest possible access by SPE members to information in the society's database. It also is prepared to be in compliance with applicable laws. It is intended to ensure that SPE protects data it maintains and that the data are used only within the framework of the SPE Data Use Policy.

Publications Guidelines

SPE encourages open and objective discussion of technical and professional subjects pertinent to the interests of SPE and its publications. SPE publications shall contain no judgmental remarks or opinions as to the technical competence, personal character, or motivations of any individual, company, or group. Any material that, in the publisher's opinion, does not meet the standards for objectivity, pertinence, and professional tone will be returned to the contributor with a request for revision before publication.

SPE accepts advertising (print and electronic) for goods and services that, in the publisher's judgment, address the technical or professional interests of its readers. SPE reserves the right to refuse to publish any advertising it considers to be unacceptable.

General Guidelines

One SPE: Guiding Principles

The concept of One SPE reflects the goal that each function and activity of the society should serve the broader membership while addressing local needs, supporting technical and professional excellence, and making wise use of society resources. The voluntary donation of time and talent by SPE members is our most vital asset, and the creative energy of volunteers must be encouraged and supported by the society.

Sanction Law Compliance

SPE must comply with all applicable sanction laws, including those of the US and European Union which prohibit personnel and nationals of certain countries (including the US) living abroad, from providing or assisting in the provision of certain services to individuals "ordinarily resident in" an embargoed or sanctioned country.

For example, under US law, SPE may provide to members residing in embargoed or sanctioned countries only those membership benefits related to information or informational materials or that are otherwise authorized under applicable sanction laws, including regulations administered by the US Treasury Departments' Office of Foreign Assets Control, licenses, and interpretations issued pursuant thereto.

Use of Personal Information

SPE collects certain information such as your address, telephone number, and other demographic and billing information in order to process your membership effectively and efficiently, and to plan future programs and services to better serve you.

Privacy Policy

SPE's Privacy Policy details what information SPE gathers about you and how we use it. The terms of our Privacy Policy apply to SPE members and customers, and whether SPE collects the information in electronic form through our website, our online services, or other internet process or by paper.

To view our complete Privacy Policy, please visit www.spe.org/about/privacypolicy.

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- You do not acquire any ownership rights by downloading any material.

SPE Board of Directors

SPE is governed by a 29-member board of directors composed of member representatives from around the world. Each of SPE's regions and board-endorsed technical specialties are represented by a director. These directors, together with two at-large directors, the president, president-elect, immediate past president, and vice president of finance, constitute the SPE Board of Directors.

Function The SPE Board of Directors is the policy-making and governing body of SPE. SPE board committees—Finance and Strategy; Member Programs; Communications and Knowledge Sharing; and Training, Programs, and Meetings—oversee SPE's financial, administrative, and operating responsibilities. The board retains final approval/authority on all SPE matters, including any actions the board committees may take.

Nomination/Election Process The SPE Nominating Committee annually considers candidates for president-elect and the regional, at-large, and technical directors and officers whose terms expire the following year. Any SPE member may submit nominations through the SPE website during the nomination period. The Nominating Committee recommends a slate of officers and directors for approval by the SPE Board of Directors. The board then reports the approved slate of nominees in the April issue of the *Journal of Petroleum Technology*[®] magazine (*JPT*). These nominees stand as elected unless a valid petition for ballot election is received by 1 June. Terms begin immediately following the SPE Annual Technical Conference and Exhibition (ATCE) each year.

Standing Committees

SPE standing committees provide direction for SPE activities, programs, and events. The SPE president-elect makes appointments to these committees annually. Each committee reports to one of the three SPE board committees.

National and Regional Councils

National and regional councils provide a framework for sections within an appropriate geographic area to pursue common interests, collaborate, and exchange information.

Councils are advisory in nature and have no governing authority over the participating sections. The council acts as a liaison with regional and federal bodies and other regional or national technological and/or professional associations on regional or national issues pertaining to SPE's mission.

Formation of national and regional councils requires approval by the SPE Board of Directors. Councils are not allowed to function as an official council until approved by the board. Council organizers should not refer to themselves as council officers or act on behalf of the council until the official board approval is communicated.

The following requirements were approved by the SPE board in March 2008. Requirements are the same for national and regional councils.

- One council may be formed in a country or geographic region where SPE has at least two sections.
- A council operating plan must be created and approved by a majority of sections in the council. The operating plan must define the council's purpose, membership (sections), jurisdiction, officer responsibilities, and procedures to be used in its establishment and operation. Use of the "Model Guidelines for SPE Councils" is encouraged. This document will function as the operating plan. Councils should provide annual officer lists to SPE no later than 1 June.
- A majority of sections to be included in the council must approve in writing*
 - the formation of the council
 - the council operating plan/model guidelines
 - the council officers*

*Approved meeting minutes with a list of meeting attendees or email approvals will fulfill this requirement. SPE reserves the right to verify approvals.

- A written request to form the council must be submitted to the SPE sections manager along with proof of approval from a majority of sections in the council as stated in item 3, electronic copies of the council operating plan/model guidelines, and a list of council officers. SPE staff will notify the board of the request for formation and will facilitate the approval process.

SPE Constitution

Articles of governance for SPE are outlined in the SPE Constitution. A copy of the constitution can be downloaded at www.spe.org/about.

Society of Petroleum Engineers (SPE) Legal Entity Structure

