

Offshore Technology Conference

2024

Communications & Press Toolkit



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ABOUT OTC

The Offshore Technology Conference (OTC) is where energy professionals meet to exchange ideas and opinions to advance scientific and technical knowledge for offshore resources. Founded in 1969, OTC's flagship conference is held annually in Houston. OTC has expanded technically and globally with OTC Brasil and OTC Asia.

OTC is a collaboration of 15 non-profit organizations that support the global energy sector. Our organizations work cooperatively to develop and manage a portfolio of events dedicated to accelerating the development and transfer of interdisciplinary offshore technologies. Revenue from our portfolio is returned to our sponsoring organizations which benefit the advancement of their members and the energy sector.

Income from this event is invested back into the sponsoring organizations' programs that will provide opportunities for industry professionals to enhance their professional and technical skills, and to promote education to continue to help advance the offshore energy industry.

These organizations include the American Association of Petroleum Geologists (AAPG), American Institute of Chemical Engineers (AIChE), American Institute of Mining, Metallurgical, and Petroleum Engineers (AIME), American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE), American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME), Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, Oceanic and Engineering Society (IEEE-OES), Marine Technology Society (MTS), Society of Exploration Geophysicists (SEG), Society for Mining, Metallurgy, and Exploration (SME), Society of Naval Architects and Marine Engineers (SNAME), Society of Petroleum Engineers (SPE), The Minerals, Metals and Materials Society (TMS), Brazilian Petroleum, Gas and Biofuels Institute (IBP), International Association of Drilling Contractors (IADC) and Energy Workforce and Technology Council (EWTC).

QUICK FACTS

Phone Landlines:

Three phones are available in the OTC press room for journalist use. The direct line to the press room is 832.667.2901.

WiFi Access:

Free wireless internet access is available in the OTC press room. The wireless network name is **Pressroom** and the password is **meeting400**. Additionally, free WiFi is available in the NRG Center level 1 and level 2 lobbies. The wireless network name is **OTC2024**. *This free wireless access will not be available on the exhibit floors or meeting rooms.*

Free wireless outside of NRG Park:

- McDonalds at 9805 S Main St. - Head south on Kirby toward Westridge, turn right at S Loop Fwy W, then turn right at S Main St
- Starbuck's located inside building at 6400 Fannin St. - Head south on Kirby toward Westridge, make a U-turn at Westridge, turn right at Main, then right at MacGregor, then right at Fannin.

General, Photography, Audio Recording and Videotaping Guidelines

- You can access our Event Code of Conduct at <https://www.otcnet.org/about/event-code-of-conduct>
- No audio recording, video recording, or photography is allowed without OTC's permission.
- All journalists seeking to do so must register as press, check in at the OTC press room, and agree to the following:
 - Journalist represents a qualified news organization that has regularly scheduled programs.
 - No webcasting or streaming is permitted during technical sessions but is permitted in the concourse and hallways.
 - OTC may limit at its sole discretion the locations, times, and subjects for video and audio recordings and photographs.
 - All requests to interview the OTC chairperson or any member of the OTC Board of Directors must be made to the OTC media contact listed below.
- To view additional rules, please visit <https://2024.otcnet.org/about/photography-video-audio-recording-regulations>

Photography

- Still photographers must have their OTC press badges before entering the exhibit floor. **OTC press badges must be visible at all times.**
- Still photographers may cover the exhibit floor without an OTC press representative once they receive their press badge.
- Photographers must ask permission of exhibitors before photographing any area in which their exhibit appears.
- Photography inside the technical sessions is not permitted, except by official OTC staff.
- Photographs of speakers and presenters are permitted with their consent and may only occur on the exhibit floor or hallways.
- OTC staff will upload daily photos by the end of the day, when available. Click [here](#) for photos.
- OTC's show photographer can provide professional quality, high-resolution photos of the NRG Center exhibition area from the catwalk. No other photographers are allowed on the catwalk. An OTC press representative in the press room can help fulfill photo requests.

Audio Recording

- Radio and podcast reporters must have OTC press badges before entering the exhibit floor. OTC press credentials must be visible at all times.
- Audio recordings inside the technical session rooms is not permitted, except by OTC staff.
- Audio recordings of speakers and presenters is permitted with their consent and may only occur on the exhibit floor or hallways.
- Radio and podcast reporters may cover the exhibition floor without an OTC press representative once they receive their press badge.
- Radio and podcast reporters must get permission from the exhibiting company before conducting any interviews in an exhibitor's area.
- Taped information will be used for brief news reports that will not be broadcast more than 30 days following the close of OTC.

Video Recording

- Video crews must be accompanied by an OTC press representative to film on the exhibit floor and must check in at the press room each day. Scheduling in advance with the OTC media contact will ensure you get the access you need.
- Video crews must have OTC press badges before entering the exhibit floor. OTC press credentials must be visible at all times.
- Video recordings of technical sessions is not permitted, except by OTC staff.
- Video recordings of speakers and presenters is permitted with their consent and may only occur in the mezzanine or hallways.
- Taped information will be used for brief news reports that will not be broadcast more than 30 days following the close of OTC.
- No final product will incorporate more than five minutes of video from the exhibition floor, without special written permission of OTC.

Exhibitor-Appointed Photographers and Videographers

Exhibitor-appointment photographers and videographers will have special badges to indicate that they are allowed to take photography in the exhibiting company's booth. Exhibitor staff must escort the photographer/videographer on and off the exhibit floor. They are not allowed to take photography or video outside of the booth. OTC's official photographer can provide overall images from the event. Visit www.otcimages.com for official images from OTC.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQ)

Where can I find exhibitor booths?

You can find an up-to-date exhibitor map here: <https://exhibits.otcnet.org/OTC2024/Public/eventmap.aspx>

How can I request an interview with OTC leadership or event speakers?

To request an interview with a member of the OTC leadership team or one of our event speakers, please contact the OTC press team at pr@otcnet.org. Because of the high volume of requests, please be sure to indicate your name, outlet and the type of story you are writing.

When I arrive at NRG, where do I go to pick up my badge?

When you arrive at NRG, please visit room 403-405 on the second floor of the NRG Energy Center to pick up your press badge and check in.

My colleague did not register for the event online. Can they still register as press at the event?

Yes. Online registration closes Friday, May 3. If you are unable to register prior to this date, please visit room 403-405 during the event to register in person and pick up your press badge. Please be prepared to fill out a registration form in-person and have your media credentials ready to show organizers.

Will I have digital access to technical papers?

Yes. As registered press, you are allotted access to the technical papers featured in this year's event. To request a copy of a technical paper, please contact pr@otcnet.org.

How can I get access to images of the event?

OTC organizers will make available images of the event available for the press and public to use. To access, please visit <http://www.otcimages.com/>.

Will press be able to ask questions during technical sessions and panels?

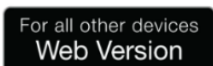
Yes. When asking questions, please identify yourself as a member of the press.

I am live tweeting about the event. What hashtag should I use?

Tag @OTCevents and use #OTC2024.

How can I access the official OTC event application?

Below we have included QR codes that lead you to the official OTC Apple, Google Play, or Web applications:



App Store: <https://ativ.me/wnj>

Google Play: <https://ativ.me/wng>

NOTABLE CONFERENCE EVENTS

	Monday, May 6	Tuesday, May 7	Wednesday, May 8	Thursday, May 9	
	Recommended Events	Recommended Events	Recommended Events	Recommended Events	
8:00	<p>Keynote Speaker Series: Environmental Footprints and Economic Impacts of Energy</p> <p>Speakers include: Scott Tinker, Director, The Bureau of Economic Geology - Tinker Energy Associates</p> <p>James Bennett, Renewable Energy Senior Advisor - Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM), Retired</p> <p>Moderated by Jennifer Bell, Founder/Consultant - Elements Offshore</p> <p>Room 204</p>	<p>Keynote Speaker Series: Continuous Improvement and the Path to Net Zero</p> <p>Speaker includes: Sivasankaran Somasundaram, President and Chief Executive Officer – ChampionX</p> <p>Moderated by Phaneendra Kondapi, Affiliate Professor - Colorado School of Mines</p> <p>Y Doreen Chin, President - Yunka Energy LLC</p> <p>Room 202</p>	<p>Keynote Speaker Series: Perspectives for Brazilian Offshore: Increasing the Balance Between Legacy and Renewable Projects</p> <p>Speaker includes: Tabita Loureiro, Interim President and Technical Director - Pré-Sal Petróleo S.A.</p> <p>Moderated by Fernando Mendes, Production Development General Manager - Petrobras</p> <p>Room 202</p>	<p>Keynote Speaker Series: Center for Offshore Safety: What are SEMs Audits Telling Us?</p> <p>Speakers include: Stan Kaczmarek, Chief, SEMs Section - Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement</p> <p>Kim Forgie, Consultant HSE Senior, Oxy</p> <p>Claude Allen, Senior SEMs Specialist - Shell Exploration and Production Company</p> <p>Moderated by Russell Holmes, Senior Director - Center For Offshore Safety</p> <p>Room 206</p>	<p>Keynote Speaker Series: Delivering the World's Greatest Balancing Act: More Energy, Fewer Emissions</p> <p>Speakers include: Wallace Pescarini, President – Offshore Atlantic Basin – SLB</p> <p>Aparna Raman, President of Reservoir Performance – SLB</p> <p>Moderated by Simon Edmundson, Low Carbon Technology Marketing Manager - SLB</p> <p>Room 204</p>
8:30			<p>Executive Dialogue: Accelerating Lower Carbon Solutions in a Complex Global Energy System</p>		
9:00			<p>Speaker includes: Chris Powers, Vice President,</p>		

9:30	<p>Panel: Challenges and Opportunities in Offshore Decommissioning in a Green Era</p> <p>Speakers include: Luciana Guerra, Manager of Strategic Support in Decommissioning – Petrobras</p> <p>Francis Norman, CEO and Managing Director CODA - Centre of Decommissioning Australia (CODA)</p> <p>Amber Sparks, Co-Founder and Managing Partner - Blue Latitudes LLC</p>			<p>Carbon Capture, Utilization, and Storage - Chevron New Energies</p> <p>Moderated by Donald Burris – KBR</p> <p>Room 206</p>	<p>Panel: Mega Project - Whale: Deepwater Host Replication</p> <p>Speakers include: Chad Wittfeld, Business Opportunity Manager – Shell</p> <p>Jonathan Johnson, Business Opportunity Manager - Shell Exploration</p> <p>Oro Awaritefe, Project Manager – Shell</p> <p>Jason Gage, Host Manager – Shell</p> <p>William Gu, Executive Vice President and Head of Oil and Gas International – Seatrium</p> <p>Moderated by Huyen Bui, Senior Geophysicist - Shell International Exploration and Production Inc.</p> <p>Martin Terrell, Manager LCS - Exxon Mobil Corporation</p>		<p>Panel: Digitalization and Improved Safety in Oil and Gas</p> <p>Speakers include: Bruno Avena De Azevedo, Chief Executive Officer – ALTAVE</p> <p>Pedro Guizardi, Chief Executive Officer – Dersalis</p> <p>Hani Elshahawi, Managing Director – NoviDigiTech</p> <p>Mark Freeman, Chief Executive Officer – ProDirectional</p> <p>Ali Osman, Digital Product Manager - SLB</p> <p>Moderated by Ashraf Zeid, Managing Director - Eternal Energy</p> <p>Ahmed Ghoneim, Executive Advisor - Energy Recovery Inc</p> <p>Room 306</p>
10:00	<p>Kamel Ben Naceur, CEO Nomadia – Damorphe,</p>	<p>Executive Dialogue: SLB's Vision of the Future Offshore Energy Market</p>					
10:30	<p>Moderated by Fernando Mendes, Production Development General Manager – Petrobras</p> <p>Room 306</p>	<p>Speaker includes: Abdellah Merad, Executive Vice President Core Services & Equipment - SLB</p> <p>Moderated by Carlos Mastrangelo, Chief Operating Officer - Enauta</p> <p>Room 206</p>			<p>Room 306</p>		

11:00								
11:30				Executive Dialogue: Technology Investment: Innovation, Execution, Capital and the Energy Transition Mix				
12:00				Speaker includes: Attilio Pisoni, Chief Technology Officer, Oilfield Services and Equipment - Baker Hughes Moderated by Greg Kusinski, GOM MCP Regulatory Affairs Team Lead - Chevron U.S.A. Inc. Room 206				
12:30	Keynote Speaker Series: Chevron's Anchor Project – An Industry Leading Deepwater High Pressure Development Speakers include: Tim Mitchell, Anchor Project Director – Chevron Christophe Guillet, Anchor Deputy Project Manager – TotalEnergies Moderated by Greg Kusinski, GOM MCP Regulatory Affairs Team Lead - Chevron U.S.A. Inc. Room 202	Executive Dialogue: Offshore CCS: Challenges and Opportunities in Mitigating Emissions Speaker includes: Erik Oswald, Vice President of Advocacy & Policy Development - ExxonMobil Low Carbon Solutions Moderated by Sandeep Khurana, Head Advisor - Managing Senior Vice President -	Keynote Speaker Series: The Future of Offshore Wind: Opportunities and Challenges Speaker includes: Troy Patton, Head of Program Execution - Ørsted Americas Moderated by Sudhir Pai, Chairman, Board of Directors - Technology Collaboration Center Room 300	Keynote Speaker Series: Oil and Gas Sector Collaborative Efforts to Build and Advance an Offshore Carbon Sequestration Industry in the U.S. Speakers include: Erik Milito, President - National Ocean Industries Association (NOIA) Holly Hopkins, Vice President, Upstream Policy – API Moderated by Evan Zimmerman, Executive Director - Offshore Operators Committee Room 202	Keynote Speaker Series: Offshore CCUS at Scale Speaker includes: Nigel Jenvey, Vice President CCUS and H2 Project Devel - Baker Hughes Moderated by Hoss Shariat, Chief Technical Engineer – KBR Room 204	Keynote Speaker Series: Developing a Sustainable Supply Chain and Advancing Technology Needed to Deploy the First U.S. Floating Offshore Wind Projects Speaker includes: John Eggers, Senior Vice President and Regional Chief Technology Officer, North America - Vestas Moderated by Michael Drunscic, Vice President, Offshore Wind Lead - WSP USA	Keynote Speaker Series: Upstream Research and Development at Aramco Speaker includes: Mohammad Askar, Director, Research and Development - Americas - Saudi Aramco Moderated by Huseyin Seren, Scientist - Aramco Americas Room 202	Keynote Speaker Series: The Role of Latin American Independents in the Oil Market Speaker includes: Decio Oddone, Chief Executive Officer – Enauta Moderated by J Cunha, Professor - Texas A&M University Room 204
1:00								

		Ryder Scott Company, L.P. Room 206				Room 300		
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2:00			Panel: Role of Collaboration and Technology Development to Meet Carbon Capture and Storage Projects	Around the World: Africa Energy Forum: The future of Energy Transformation in Africa – Clean Energy and Business Sustainability	Panel: The Evolution of Petroleum Engineering Education During The Energy Transition Era		Panel: Renewable Energy Resources: Regulations, Standards and Incentives	
2:30	Executive Dialogue: Hydrogen Policies Throughout the States Speaker includes: Roxana Bekemohammadi, Founder and Executive Director - United States Hydrogen Alliance		Speakers include: Ahmed Eldemerdash, Vice President New Energy and Business Transformation - Baker Hughes	Speakers include: Over 15 industry veterans in the African energy landscape from around the world. Visit the OTC technical program for a detailed list of speakers.	Speakers include: Akhil Datta-Gupta, Department Chair, Petroleum Engineering - Texas A&M University		Speakers include: Ricardo de Luca, Country Director Brazil - Corio Generation	
3:00	Moderated by Roderick Larson, CEO – Oceaneering		Siegfried Meissner, President - Energy Transition and Industrial Automation – Nabors	Moderated by Solomon Tamakloe, President and Chief Executive Officer - USAGHATEX LLC	Mohamed Soliman, Department Chair, Petroleum Engineering - University of Houston		Lauren Spence, Head of Business Development Offshore Wind Americas - Total Energies	
3:30	Moderated by Roderick Larson, CEO – Oceaneering Room 206		Frederik Majkut, Senior Vice President of Carbon Solutions – SLB		Matthew Balhoff, Department Chair, Petroleum and Geosystems Engineering		Gavin Dillingham, Executive Advisor, Federal Affairs - SLB Moderated by Roberto Ardenghy, President - Instituto Brasileiro de Petroleo e Gas	
							Parth Pathak, Sustainability Champion, Subsea - SLB Room 306	

4:00			<p>Zoe Yujnovich, Integrated Gas and Upstream Director – Shell</p> <p>Jorge Lechin, Senior Director of Major Projects - 8 Rivers</p> <p>Moderated by Kamel Bennaceur, Chairman and Executive Director - Damorphe</p> <p>Room 306</p>	<p>Simon Madjie, Executive Director - American Chamber of Commerce In Ghana</p> <p>Jumoke Oyedun, Managing Director - ACME Multitech Services</p> <p>Room 302</p>	<p>- The University of Texas at Austin</p> <p>Jennifer Miskimins, Department Chair, Petroleum Engineering - Colorado School of Mines</p> <p>Mohan Kelkar, Department Chair, Petroleum Engineering - University of Tulsa</p> <p>Moderated by Phaneendra Kondapi, Affiliate Professor - Colorado School of Mines</p> <p>Y Doreen Chin, President - Yunka Energy LLC</p> <p>Room 306</p>		
4:30							
5:00							<p>Closing Reception</p> <p>Join the OTC Board of Directors and the Program Committee as they celebrate the conclusion of OTC 2024!</p>
5:30							<p>NRG Center Level 2 Outside Room 700</p>

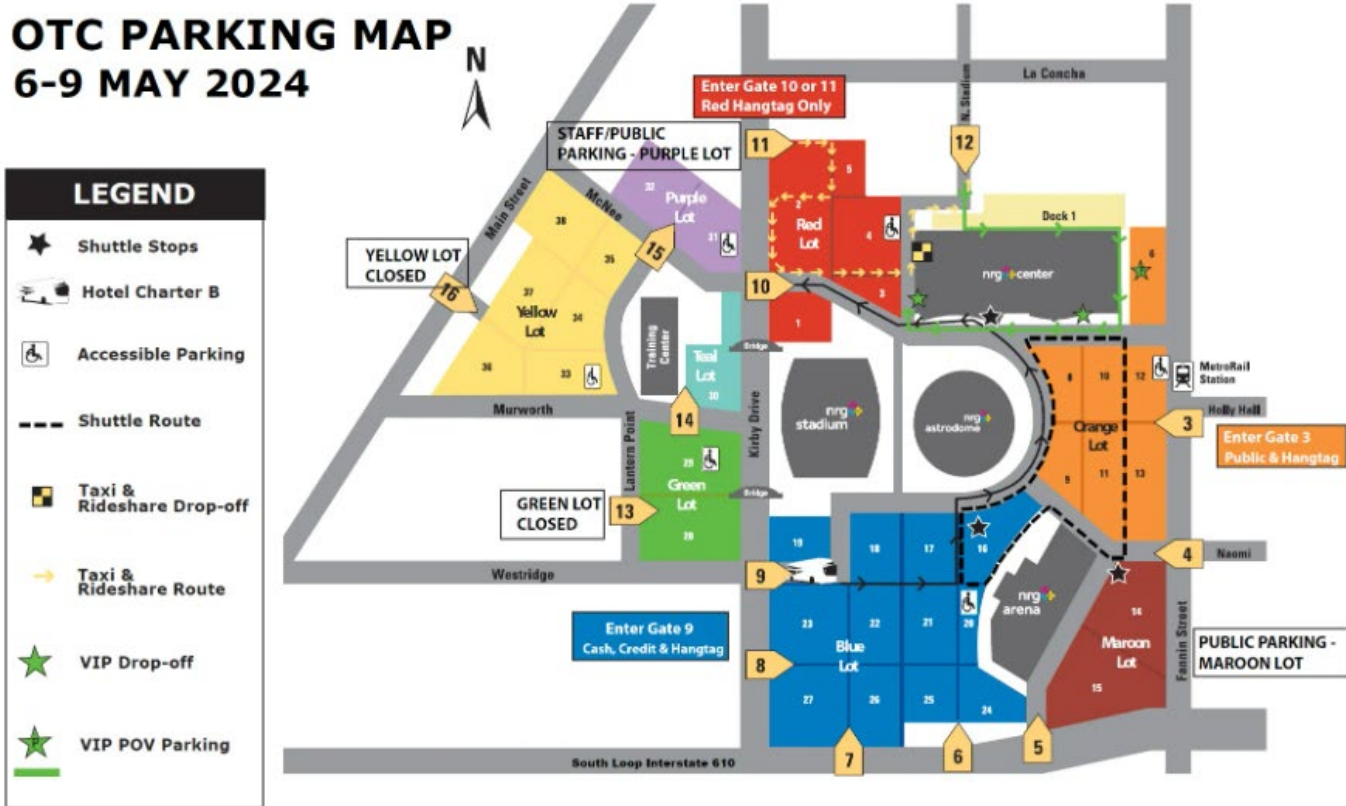
LEVEL 2 MAP



LEGEND

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|  Technical Sessions / Poster Sessions |  Around the World |  Arctic Sessions |
|  Panels |  Networking Event |  ePoster Lounge |
|  Keynote Speaker Series |  Executive Dialogue Series | |

OTC PARKING MAP



OTC LEADERSHIP BIOS



Alex Martinez – OTC Chairperson

Alex Martinez is a senior principal geophysicist at ExxonMobil working at the intersection of business and technology, providing strategic guidance regarding geoscience technology development and application, and supporting assets across the globe.

Over his 22-year tenure with ExxonMobil, Alex has held a variety of roles ranging from geophysical, seismic acquisition and petrophysics to exploration and upstream. He is highly experienced in analyzing rock properties and well logs, qualitative & quantitative seismic attributes, seismic well ties, seismic DHI, velocity model building and time/depth conversion, seismic processing and processing QC, and controlled source electromagnetic modeling and interpretation.

Alex has been a member of the Society of Exploration Geophysicists (SEG) for over ten years and has represented SEG on the OTC Board of Directors since 2019. He has a MS and PhD in Geophysics from the University of Kansas.



Dan McConnell – OTC Vice Chairperson

Dan McConnell is an industry consultant who specializes in geomarine resources. Prior to this role, he was a marine geologist at Fugro with over 20 years of experience with main areas of interest in seafloor mapping and geochemistry surveys, deepwater site characterization, marine mineral exploration, and methane hydrate exploration. In 2003, Dan started AOA Geophysics' Houston-based geohazard consulting group. He and other principals sold AOA Geophysics to Fugro in 2011.

Dan participated in the site selection and science party in the landmark Chevron-US Department of Energy gas hydrate drilling expedition (Leg II) in the Gulf of Mexico. Among numerous industry and scientific cruises, Dan was able to go offshore on the MarMine seafloor massive sulfide exploration cruise on the Arctic Mid-Ocean Ridge in 2016 and lead the geoscience team on the NORI 2018 Geophysical and Mineral Sampling Survey for polymetallic nodules in the Clarion-Clipperton Fracture Zone.

Dan has authored over 65 technical papers and articles and has been issued two patents. Dan also currently serves on the U.S. Department of Energy Methane Hydrate Advisory Committee.



Leigh Ann Runyan – OTC Executive Director

Leigh Ann joined OTC as Executive Director in April 2021 and continued her previous role as Director, Americas Events for the Society of Petroleum Engineers (SPE), where she manages a large event portfolio across Canada, the US, and Latin America.

Prior to joining SPE, Leigh Ann was with the American Heart Association (AHA) for 21 years, where she held several positions in Meetings and Professional Education. Her last position before leaving AHA was Vice President of Meetings where she managed the department's 250+ meetings annually.

CONTACT

Press Contact:

Please contact pr@otcnet.org will all media inquiries. However, if this is an urgent matter, call +1.713.457.6866 during regular event hours.

APPENDIX I: PRESS RELEASES

OTC Names 2024 Distinguished Achievement Award Recipients

Thursday, January 25, 2024

Houston, Texas, USA (25 January 2024) – The 2024 Offshore Technology Conference (OTC) Board of Directors has selected its Distinguished Achievement Award recipients, honoring Kerry J. Campbell for individual achievement and Petrobras' Marlim and Campos Basin for institutional achievement, while recognizing EnerGeo Alliance with a Special Citation. Recipients will be honored during the OTC Distinguished Achievement Awards Event Reception Sunday, 5 May at NRG Center located in Houston, Texas.

OTC Distinguished Achievement Award for Individuals

Kerry J. Campbell is selected for his pioneering work in developing modern deepwater site characterization practice and for teaching and mentoring generations of site characterization professionals.

Campbell is no stranger to the OTC technical program. He has served on OTC's MTS program subcommittee and has helped organize and co-chaired several OTC technical sessions. He has authored or co-authored seventeen OTC papers. He authored his first paper in 1982 and went on to receive the 2018 American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE) OTC Hall of Fame Award for his 1988 paper titled, "The Importance of Integrated Studies to Deepwater Site Investigation."

Prior to his retirement from Fugro in 2020, Campbell helped pioneer the use of 3-D marine seismic data for engineering applications: 3-D exploration seismic data for preliminary regional characterization and field development screening applications, and AUV ultra-high-resolution 3-D seismic data for detailed characterization of faults and other potential geohazards at proposed suction anchor sites. He is recognized as one of the world's foremost experts in engineering site-survey design and the interpretation of marine high-resolution seismic data for geohazards assessment, site selection, and foundation engineering purposes.

OTC Distinguished Achievement Award for Companies, Organizations, and Institutions

This year's Distinguished Achievement Award for Companies, Organizations, and Institutions is awarded to Petrobras for the deployment of a wide set of new technologies for the successful revitalization of the Marlim Field and the entire deepwater Campos Basin, unlocking new paths for mature deepwater asset redevelopment, with significant reduction in greenhouse gas emissions.

The Campos Basin exploration dates to December 1974 with the drilling of the first wildcat well in the Garoupa field. This heralded a series of discoveries in shallow waters from 1974 to 1983 and in deepwaters (greater than 1,000 feet) from 1984 onward. Petrobras played a pioneering role in the deepwater industry and was recognized by OTC in 1992 for "outstanding technical achievements related to the development of deepwater production systems" in Marlim. Now, 31 years later, Petrobras will be recognized for its commitment to the redevelopment of these mature fields and the pioneering subsea, drilling, reservoir and decommissioning technologies for such endeavor.

This is notably evidenced by the successful launch of two new floating production storage and offloadings (FPSOs) within the Marlim field, both of which commenced production in 2023, along with the drilling, completion and interconnection of more than 30 new production wells and 15 new water injection wells to other existing infrastructure in Campos Basin since January 2020. The two new FPSOs replace nine floating units currently in decommissioning, some of which date back to Marlim original development in the 1990s.

Petrobras' pioneering technologies dedicated to life extension and reuse of existing subsea equipment, which include the largest flexible pipe life extension and reuse program in the world, are some of the many SURF innovations applied in Campos Basin and shaping guidance being incorporated in worldwide standards. Their innovative construction method TOT-3P (True One Trip 3 Phases) reduced well construction duration in Campos Basin by up to 50% and set a new benchmark for efficient well construction in the area. Innovative riser decommissioning pull-out procedure, which eliminates the use of a topside pull-out winch and diving operations, is also contributing to safe and efficient decommissioning of five FPSOs and four large scale subsea structures just over the next three years.

OTC Special Citation

A Special Citation is presented to EnerGeo Alliance for its longstanding leadership in promoting efficiency and environmental sustainability in offshore seismic data collection.

For more than 50 years, EnerGeo Alliance has been a stalwart in the quest for accessible, affordable energy around the globe, while also being a standard-bearer for safety and the environment. EnerGeo Alliance has set the standard in the energy geoscience industry by establishing best practices and recommended guidance in key energy areas, including its Environmental Impact Assessment Handbook and Greenhouse Gas Emissions Guidance, for its members.

In addition to this critical work, EnerGeo Alliance works to ensure that key stakeholders have access to factual, science-based information. EnerGeo Alliance helps people to understand how the energy geoscience industry fits in the global energy scene.

With nearly 55 years of successfully conducting business, OTC has become the place where energy professionals meet to exchange ideas and opinions to advance scientific and technical knowledge for offshore resources and environmental matters. The 2024 conference offers quality, value, and networking opportunities that are unmatched by others, including more than 276,000 square feet of exhibit space showcasing the latest industry innovations, 350+ peer-selected technical sessions, and an expected 31,000+ energy professionals from more than 100 countries in attendance.

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OTC 2024 Announces Emerging Leaders Class

Thursday, February 22, 2024

Houston, Texas, USA (22 February 2024) – The Offshore Technology Conference (OTC) today unveiled the 2024 class of Emerging Leaders. This prestigious program is designed to recognize young professionals with less than 10 years of experience in the energy industry. The selected individuals for this year's class have demonstrated their exceptional talents, commitment, and promise as future leaders in the offshore energy sector.

Each Emerging Leader candidate is a member of an OTC sponsoring, endorsing, or supporting organization. The previous year's Emerging Leaders class then selects the final candidates for the upcoming class.

“This award celebrates not only excellence but also the promise of a bright future within our industry. It's a moment to recognize the remarkable achievements and potential of the young professionals who have demonstrated exceptional dedication, talent, and innovation,” Alex Martinez, Chair of the OTC Board said.

The following honorees will be recognized in a special ceremony during the conference on Tuesday, 7 May 2024, NRG Center, Houston, Texas, USA.

2024 Emerging Leader Class:

- Rebecca Caldwell, PhD, Exploration Geologist, Chevron, AAPG
- Yan Wang, PhD, Advanced Technology Development Engineer, ExxonMobil Technology and Engineering Company, AIChE
- Jinbo Chen, PhD, Associate Professor, School of Naval Architecture Ocean and Civil Engineering, Shanghai Jiao Tong University, Shanghai, China, *Former staff drilling engineer at Shell USA, ASCE
- Mejdi Kammoun, PhD, Principal Engineer, American Bureau of Shipping, ASME
- Jian (Jason) Shi, PhD, Assistant Professor, University of Houston, IEEE-OES
- Pankaj Goel, PhD, Projects Advisor, ExxonMobil, ISA
- Luz Zarate, Marine Technology Research Engineer, Shell International Exploration and Production, MTS
- Shahrzad Roshankhah, PhD, PE, Assistant Professor, University of Utah, SEG
- Michael Renning, Engineer II, American Bureau of Shipping, SNAME
- Mathilde Luycx, PhD, Petrophysicist, ExxonMobil Technology and Engineering Company, SPE
- Dillon Hoffmann, Offshore projects/Engineering Manager, Couvillion Group LLC, TMS

Martinez continued: “This year's recipients embody the essence of what it means to be a young professional. Their commitment to excellence, relentless pursuit of knowledge, and unwavering passion for their work have set them apart. They have not only excelled in their field but have also shown remarkable leadership qualities, inspiring those around them to push beyond boundaries and explore new horizons.”

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OTC Recognizes 2024 Spotlight on New Technology® Winners

Tuesday, March 19, 2024

Houston, Texas, USA (19 March 2024) – The Offshore Technology Conference (OTC) today announced the winners of their 2024 Spotlight on New Technology Award. This esteemed honor is given exclusively to OTC exhibitors who are reshaping the offshore energy sector through their innovation and development of technologies. This year, 15 technologies - 5 of them from small businesses - were selected for their demonstrated advancements in the industry.

This year's award recipients are exceptional and were selected based on the following criteria: product uniqueness, degree of ingenuity, demonstrated success, commercial viability, and the ability to make a significant impact across the offshore industry.

"OTC takes pride in recognizing the companies transforming the future of the offshore energy sector. The Spotlight on New Technology Award is one of the many ways we like to show our appreciation. Revolutionizing the field is no easy task. It requires collaboration, intense consistency, and the brightest minds in the industry to drive innovation. This year's recipients exemplify these efforts, and we are proud to acknowledge them," said Alex Martinez, chairperson, OTC Board of Directors.

2024 Spotlight Winners

- Baker Hughes TRU-ARMS™ advanced reservoir mapping services
- Baker Hughes Sonus™ Acoustic-Set Liner Hanger System
- Hägglunds, a brand of Bosch Rexroth Quantum Power
- DeepOcean Autonomous Inspection Drone
- Fugro Blue Dragon® seafloor drill
- Fugro Remote subsea inspection solution
- Henkel LOCTITE®Pulse™
- Oil States ACTIVEHub™ with ACTIVELatch™
- Oil States Swift DW2 RAR Connector - Ratchet Anti-Rotation Mechanism
- Saipem S.p.A. Integrated Acoustic Unit (I.A.U.)

2024 Spotlight Small Business Winners

- BridgeFlow Valve Ltd. BridgeFlow Mechanized Ball Valve
- GOWell Multi-aperture Motion-compensative Pulsed Eddy Current Deep Detection Method for Multi-pipe Thickness Corrosion Measurements (ePDT)
- GOWell Elastic Structure Nonharmonic Resonance Method for Through-Tubing Cement Evaluation (TTCE)
- HYTORC Industrial Bolting Systems LIGHTNING™ PUMP Series
- Nanoprecise Sci Corp NrgMonitor™

OTC has proudly honored small businesses and their contributions to the offshore energy industry, with the Spotlight Award since 2014. To qualify for the small business award, companies are required to meet the following criteria: Be independently owned and operated, or registered as a nonprofit organization, and have no more than 300 employees in the 12 months prior to the application deadline.

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