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08 IPTC: STRONGEST TECHNICAL PROGRAMME TO DATE
Experts from 35 countries will present 380 papers

Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia (15 May 2008) - In December, Kuala Lumpur will host the International Petroleum Technology Conference (IPTC). More than 4,000 oil and gas professionals from around the globe are expected to attend the meeting, to be held 3-5 December 2008 at the Kuala Lumpur Convention Centre.

IPTC is a collaboration among the American Association of Petroleum Geologists (AAPG), the European Association of Geoscientists & Engineers (EAGE), the Society of Exploration Geophysicists (SEG), and the Society of Petroleum Engineers (SPE). A flagship event in the Eastern Hemisphere, IPTC rotates between the Middle East and Asia. The inaugural event was held in 2005 in Doha, Qatar, and the second edition was held in December 2007, in Dubai, U.A.E. The Kuala Lumpur event will be the first IPTC to be held in Asia Pacific.

The 2008 programme was selected from more than 1,000 presentation proposals representing 230 organisations from over 80 countries. After a two-day review, the Technical Programme Committee selected the final programme of 380 proposals, representing 100 organisations from 35 countries, to be presented in 51 technical sessions and a poster session.

Key programme topics include seismic operations, heavy oil, EOR, well construction, sand control, flow assurance, LNG, gas technology and unconventional gas. Over-arching challenges include HSE, social responsibility, human resources and business environment.

The opening ceremony will feature the Prime Minister of Malaysia, Datuk Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi, as well as the 2008 IPTC Executive Committee Co-Chairmen Tan Sri Dato Sri Mohd Hassan Marican, President and Chief Executive of PETRONAS and Mark W. Albers, Senior Vice President of Exxon Mobil Corporation.

In line with the conference theme, "Meeting the Energy Needs of a Growing World Economy," the topics of plenary and panel sessions will reflect the demand for sufficient reliable energy, and address such issues as climate change, cost issues, and meeting future demand. Other events will feature special programmes for students and young professionals. The conference will also host an exhibition with more than 4,000 net square metres of exhibit space.

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2008 IPTC Fact Sheet

About IPTC

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Dates and Venue

3-5 December 2008
Kuala Lumpur Convention Centre
Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

Opening Ceremony Speakers

- **Datuk Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi**, Prime Minister of Malaysia
- **Tan Sri Dato Sri Mohd Hassan Marican**, 2008 IPTC Executive Committee Co-Chairman; President and Chief Executive, PETRONAS
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Plenary and Panel Sessions Topics

Date	Time	Topic
Wednesday 3 December	1145-1245 hours	High Price! High Cost! High Stakes?
Wednesday, 3 December	1400-1530 hours	Climate Change & Environment
Thursday, 4 December	0900-1030 hours	Sustaining Production Rates to Meet Future Demand
Thursday, 4 December	1400-1530 hours	Complex Relationships
Friday, 5 December	0900-1030 hours	E & P Technologies

Special Events

Education Week ▪ Monday–Friday, 1–5 December

With growing global industry demand for qualified professionals, IPTC will organise an Education Week, bringing almost 100 international university undergraduate students to the conference and exhibition. Invitations have been sent to 130+ universities that have programmes in petrophysics, geosciences and petroleum engineering.

Education Days ▪ Tuesday–Thursday, 2–4 December

To complement the international Education Week programme, an initiative to introduce high school students to the industry has been developed. Selected students with an interest in the energy industry will be invited to attend the conference and exhibition. School projects will focus on environment. Prize presentation to the winning schools will be held in conjunction with the IPTC topical luncheon on Thursday.

Young Professionals Workshop ▪ Tuesday, 2 December

The IPTC Young Professionals Workshop, “Young Professionals Energising the Industry,” will bring together over 75 attendees to interact, discuss and share their industry experiences. The programme will incorporate talks from industry leaders and provide interactive activities to bolster networking and personal development.

Endorsing Societies

The conference has secured endorsement of its overall mission and objectives from the following industry-related associations and organisations, who will actively promote participation through their membership: Australian Petroleum Production & Exploration Association (APPEA), Malaysian Gas Association (MGA), Chinese Petroleum Society (CPS), Engineers Australia, Japanese Association of Petroleum Technology (JAPT), Petroleum Exploration Society of Australia (PESA), and Society of Indonesian Petroleum Engineers (IATMI).

Exhibition

More than 70% of the exhibit space has been sold. Exhibition special events will include the Environment Pavilion, an Education Days Student Display, an ice cream social, tea, coffee, refreshments, and internet hotspot stations for conference participants.

Exhibiting companies to date include PETRONAS, ExxonMobil, Alam Maritim, Archimedes Consulting, Atlas Hall, Baker Hughes, Beicip Franlab, Bureau Veritas, Cabot Specialty Fluids, Caledus, Chevron, CGG Veritas, CNPC (BGP Inc.), Dialog Group, Energistics, Fugro Robertson, GeoDynamics, GeoMechanics Intl., Halliburton, JAPEx, JOGMEC, Kuwait Oil Co., Murphy Sarawak Oil, NPA Satellite Mapping, Paradigm, Petroleum Development Oman, Petroleum Geo-Services, Petroskills, Qatar Petroleum, RISC, Sapura Crest Petroleum, Saudi Aramco, Schlumberger, Sciencesoft, Seabird Exploration, Senergy Ltd., Sercel, Shell, Smith, Spectraseis, Subalipack, Tekno Logam, TOTAL S.A., Uzma Group, Weatherford, and Welltec.

Total Exhibit Space:	4251 m ²
Total Reserved Space:	3270 m ²
Available Space:	981 m ²

Sponsorships

Currently, *Principal* category sponsors for the conference are PETRONAS, ExxonMobil, Murphy Oil, and Shell. *Silver* category sponsors are Saudi Aramco and TOTAL. *Bronze* category sponsors are Cabot Specialty Fluids, Chevron and Kuwait Oil Company, Talisman Energy, PTT Exploration & Production Public Company Limited.

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