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**HIGH LEVEL GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS & SENIOR EXECUTIVES CONFIRMED TO PARTICIPATE
IN THE 2011 IPTC**

Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia (25 March 2011) – High level government officials and industry leaders have confirmed their participation in the 2011 International Petroleum Technology Conference (IPTC) scheduled 15-17 November 2011 at the Bangkok Convention Centre at Central World in Bangkok, Thailand.

H.R.H Princess Maha Chakri Sirindhorn will officiate the 2011 IPTC Opening Ceremony on 15 November 2011 by giving a keynote address to the conference delegates and visiting the exhibition floor.

His Excellency Dr. Mohammed Hamed Al-Rumhy, Minister of Oil and Gas, Oman; His Excellency Dr. Shukri Ghanem, Chairman of the National Oil Company of Libya; Yves-Louis Darricarrere, President, Exploration and Production, Total; Zhou Jiping, President, China National Petroleum Corporation and Vice Chairman and President of PetroChina Co., Ltd.; Mark A. Sikkell, Vice President, Asia Pacific, ExxonMobil Exploration Co.; and Dato' Wee Yaw Hin, Executive Vice President, Exploration & Production, PETRONAS, will speak at the Executive Plenary Session on Tuesday, 15 November 2011. The Executive Plenary Session is an opportunity for top-level senior executives to discuss the conference theme and provides conference delegates with an over-arching perspective of the industry, and will be Co-Chaired by Anon Sirisaengtaksin, 2011 IPTC Executive Committee Chairman and President & CEO, PTT Exploration & Production Public Company Limited (PTTEP).; and Nasser Al-Jaidah, CEO, Qatar Petroleum International.

With the conference theme “**Technology and Operational Excellence: Keys to Sustainable Global Energy**”, and over 400 papers to be presented in 60 technical sessions, the 2011 IPTC will provide unprecedented opportunities for energy professionals to address technical and business issues that challenge oil and gas professionals operating in all parts of the world, and certain over-arching industry issues such as health, safety, and environment; security; human relations; competency and training.

2011 IPTC's comprehensive conference programme will also include Panel Sessions aimed at engaging conference delegates in a constructive debate on the future of the oil and gas sector. The Panel Session topics for the 2011 IPTC are:

- “*Unlocking Unconventional Resources – Keys to Success: Technology, Costs, Opportunity and Global Adoption*”
- “*Technology Development and Innovation*”
- “*Operational Excellence: People, Processes and Technology*”
- “*Deep Water Challenges – GOM's Long Term Impact and How Can the Industry Move Forward*”

The 2011 IPTC will be hosted by Thailand's national petroleum company, PTT Exploration and Production Public Company Limited (PTTEP) a company of PTT Group. Over 3,000 participants from around the globe are expected to attend the meeting, a flagship multi-disciplinary technical event in the Eastern Hemisphere, which rotates annually between the Middle East and Asia.

IPTC is a collaborative effort among the American Association of Petroleum Geologists (AAPG), the European Association of Geoscientists and Engineers (EAGE), the Society of Exploration Geophysicists (SEG), and the Society of Petroleum Engineers (SPE). The synergies between these four, leading professional societies result in the most comprehensive, multi-disciplinary technical programme among oil and gas conferences worldwide.

A technical exhibition will cover over 2,500 square metres, and will be held in conjunction with the conference. Additional components such as: a Young Professionals Workshop; an Education Week; Education Days; and for the first time at IPTC, Teachers' Day, will also be held in conjunction with the conference and exhibition. These conference components will bring international students from selected universities, local high school students, and teachers together to gain insight into the energy industry. Topical luncheons and an active programme of social activities and technical field trips will also be featured.

For Exhibit information and Sponsorship Opportunities or additional information about the event please contact iptc@iptcnet.org or visit the IPTC website at: <http://www.iptcnet.org/2011>.

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