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### OTC ORGANIZATIONS

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International Association of Drilling Contractors  
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#### Supporting Organizations

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Institute of Marine Engineering, Science and Technology  
International Marine Contractors Association  
International Society of Automation  
National Ocean Industries Association  
Research Partnership to Secure Energy for America

Dear Colleague,

Now is the time to start preparing your abstract for OTC 2018! In short:

- Abstracts (up to 450 words) are due **12 September 2017**
- Start working now to get your company or client clearance to submit
- **Abstract Submission link:** [click here](#)
- Manuscript hard deadline for selected papers will be **6 February 2018**

On behalf of the Offshore Technology Conference (OTC) Board of Directors, the 2018 Program Committee, and its sponsoring organizations, we invite you to submit a paper proposal presenting your technical solutions, innovations, advancements, and knowledge at the world's largest offshore energy conference and trade show. OTC 2018 will take place 30 April – 3 May 2018 in Houston, Texas, USA.

Since its inception in 1969, OTC has provided a forum to present cutting edge technologies and innovations which have shaped the entire industry and led the way to many dramatic achievements. As we prepare for the 50<sup>th</sup> OTC, we face important new challenges in securing a viable future for the industry. To address these challenges, we are encouraging submissions which align with the following themes:

Cost Reducing Technologies: Illustrate how emerging technologies have been able to reduce costs and improve overall value, while maintaining high standards for safety, operability and reliability.

Integrating to Innovate: Highlight how innovative technologies such as advanced software, nanotechnology, and robotics can advance our industry through integration across disciplines.

Rapid Deployment of New Technologies: Present solutions to reduce the technology development timeline and create project-ready technologies which meet the current industry challenges

We look forward to receiving high quality submissions that will help shape a vibrant future for the offshore industry and encourage you to contribute to our world class technical program across a wide variety of topics:

- Alternative Energy (Offshore)
- Decommissioning/Abandonment
- Drilling Technology
- Facilities and Production Operations
- Field Development and Megaprojects
- Floaters and Mooring Systems
- Flow Assurance
- Geoscience
- Geotechnical
- Health, Safety, and Environment/Governance and Regulation
- Installation/Construction/Pipelay and Operations
- Integrity Management and Continued Service
- Knowledge and Data Management
- Marine Mining
- Materials Technology
- Metocean
- Ocean Engineering Resources, Terminals and Transportation
- Offshore EOR and Unconventional Resources
- Offshore LNG and Gas Monetization
- Offshore Pipelines
- Project Management, Economics and Contracting
- Reservoir Engineering
- Riser Systems
- Subsea Production and Processing Systems
- Topsides Production and Processing Systems
- Well Completion Technology

Please [submit your paper proposals online](#); proposals will be accepted through 12 September 2017.

Sincerely,  
David L. Barton  
Granherne, Inc.  
OTC 2018 Program Committee Chairperson

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### THE PAPER PROPOSAL FORM

A proper review of your paper proposal requires that it contain adequate information on which to make a judgment. The maximum word count is 450 words.

- **Objectives/Scope:** Outline the scope and nature of the work upon which the paper is based (e.g., field data, laboratory data, original analysis, or computer work). If the paper is a review paper, carefully state the extent of the coverage.
- **Methods, Procedures, Process:** Describe the possible applications of the information provided in the paper.
- **Results, Observations, and Conclusions:** Summarize the results and major conclusions to be presented in the paper, and state how these differ from previous work on the same subject. State whether new information will be revealed and whether the data from field, laboratory, or computer work will be included.
- **Novel/Additive Information:** Describe any other information that is important to your submission.

### SELECTION CRITERIA

The program committee will observe the following criteria when selecting papers for the conference.

- **The paper must not have had prior publication or circulation.**
- The paper should contain significant new knowledge or experience in some field of offshore exploration and production.
- The paper must be technically correct and should be of interest to a reasonable number of people working in the field of offshore operations. It may be theoretical or present the results of laboratory studies, and it may state or analyze a problem. The paper may also be a review paper, but must be of significant value to the technical field.
- The paper may present information about equipment and tools to be used in exploration and production. Such papers must show the definite applications and limitations of such equipment and avoid commercialism and the use of trade names.
- **The paper proposal should have the necessary clearance before it is submitted to OTC. Prospective authors should advise of any clearance problems when the paper proposal is submitted.**

### PREPARATION OF MANUSCRIPTS

A manuscript will be required for the conference per the OTC policy of "no paper, no podium." Manuscripts will be included on the CD and digital Proceedings, available for purchase at the conference.

- Complete instructions on preparation of manuscripts and visual presentation material will be made available electronically to authors of accepted proposals.
- All papers presented at the conference will be copyrighted by OTC.
- **Do not use trade names, company names, or language that is commercial in tone in the paper title, text, figures, and presentation materials. Commercialism in papers submitted for the CD or digital Proceedings may be cause for removal of the paper from the program.**
- The paper must be written in English.