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Malaysia to Host the International Petroleum Technology Conference in Asia Pacific

Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia (3 November 2008) – Registration is now open for the International Petroleum Technology Conference (IPTC), hosted by PETRONAS, Malaysia's national petroleum corporation. 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. This will be the first IPTC held in the Asia Pacific region.

The opening ceremony will feature the Prime Minister of Malaysia, Datuk Seri Abdullah Hj. Ahmad Badawi, as well as the 2008 IPTC Executive Committee Co-Chairmen Tan Sri Dato' Seri Mohd Hassan Marican, President and Chief Executive of PETRONAS and Mark W. Albers, Senior Vice President of Exxon Mobil Corporation. Mr. Albers will also give a presentation entitled "Partnerships for Progress – Working Together to Meet the Energy Needs of a Growing World Economy" at a luncheon on Thursday, 4 December.

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/environment, cost, partnership, technologies, and meeting future demand. 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. Other events will feature special programmes for students and young professionals. The conference will also host an exhibition with more than 4,000 square metres of exhibit space.

IPTC is a collaboration 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). 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, UAE. The Kuala Lumpur event will be the first IPTC to be held in Asia Pacific.

Registration and housing information for delegates and media is available on the conference website at www.iptcnet.org/2008. A conference preview can be accessed on the website as well. Attendees can look forward to a high-impact technical programme consisting of more than 310 papers, representing over 100 organisations from 35 countries, to be presented in 51 technical sessions and a poster session. Field trips have also been planned for attendees and guests wanting to learn more about the oil and gas industry in Malaysia.

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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 Hj. Ahmad Badawi**, Prime Minister of Malaysia
- **Tan Sri Dato' Seri Mohd Hassan Marican**, 2008 IPTC Executive Committee Co-Chairman; President and Chief Executive, PETRONAS
- **Mark W. Albers**, 2008 IPTC Executive Committee Co-Chairman; Senior Vice President, Exxon Mobil Corporation

Topical Luncheon

1230-1400 hours ▪ Thursday, 4 December

Partnerships for Progress – Working Together to Meet the Energy Needs of a Growing World Economy

Mark W. Albers, Senior Vice President, Exxon Mobil Corporation

Plenary and Panel Sessions Topics

Date	Time	Topic
Wednesday 3 December	1115–1245 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 has organised an Education Week for the benefit of the best final-year undergraduate students in science, geoscience and engineering from international institutions. From 249 student nominations representing 32 countries, 100 of the best students representing 54 institutions from 29 countries has been selected to participate in the programme.

Education Days ▪ Tuesday–Thursday, 2–4 December

To complement the international Education Week programme, an initiative to introduce local high school students to the industry has been developed. Over 160 selected students and teachers from 24 high schools in Peninsular and East Malaysia, with interest in the energy industry have been invited to attend the conference and exhibition. School projects will focus on alternative energy, climate change and 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

Blending formal presentations, panels and interaction, the IPTC Young Professionals Workshop, themed “Young Professionals Energising the Industry,” will engage over 75 young professionals through interactive team building and discussion activities to further their personal and professional growth.

Endorsing Organisations

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), Engineers Australia (EA), Japanese Association of Petroleum Technology (JAPT), Malaysian Gas Association (MGA), Malaysian Oil & Gas Services Council (MOGSC), Petroleum Exploration Society of Australia (PESA) and Society of Indonesian Petroleum Engineers (IATMI).

Exhibition

100% of the exhibit space has been sold. Exhibition special events will include the Environment Pavilion, an Education Days Student Science Display, ice cream socials, 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, Baoding Earth Science and Tech., Beicip Franlab, BGP, Cabot Specialty Fluids, Caledus, CGG Veritas, Chevron, Core Lab, Delcom Svcs./Solar Turbines, Dialog, Dimension Bid, Directorate General Oil and Gas Republic of Indonesia, Energistics, ERM, Fugro NPA Satellite Mapping, Fugro Robertson, GEODynamics, Geokinetics Geophysical, GeoMechanics, Germanischer Lloyd, Halliburton, HOT Engineering, Inflatable Packers, JOGMEC, JAPEX, JGC, KNM, Kuwait Oil Co., Max Energy, , Merrick Systems, MIR Valve, Murphy Sarawak Oil Co., Nippon Oil Exploration Norway Pavilion – Geolab, SPT, NOV Tuboscope, Offshore Works, Oilfield Optimisation/Wavefield Inseis, Orogenic, PBJV, Peloton, Petroleum Development Oman, Petroleum Geo-Services, Petroskills, PTTEP, Punj Lloyd, Qatar Petroleum, RISC, RPS, Salutory Avenue Manufacturing Svcs., SapuraCrest Petroleum, Saudi Aramco, Scan Geophysical, Schlumberger, Sciencesoft, Scomi NTC, SC Machinery, Seabird Exploration, seepex, Senergy, Sercel, Shell, Smith, Spectraseis, Subalipack, Technip, Tekno Logam, BAPCO, TOTAL, UMW Toyota Motor, Uzma, Valser Engr. & Svcs., Wasco Energy, Weatherford, and Welltec.

Total Exhibit Space:	4098 m ²
Available Space:	0 m ²

Environment Pavilion

The Environment Pavilion will occupy a distinct space in the exhibition hall, with booths from selected contributors, anchored by spaces occupied by PETRONAS, ExxonMobil and Shell. UMW Toyota Motor and Mitsubishi Motors have also made commitment to display their hybrid engine/car and electric car, respectively. The objectives of the Pavilion are to educate as well as to show that the industry is proactively involved in reducing carbon footprints in the course of meeting rising energy needs of the world. A Task Force is charged to seek proposals from exhibiting companies and a select few others for short 15 minute presentations that will dovetail with the exhibition opening, coffee breaks of the technical sessions and during the Wednesday and Friday luncheons. The Task Force will select presenting entities based on the quality of the proposals.

Sponsorship

Principal sponsors for the conference are PETRONAS, ExxonMobil, Murphy Oil, and Shell. *Silver* sponsors are Nippon Oil Exploration, Saudi Aramco, and TOTAL. *Bronze* sponsors are BHP Billiton Petroleum, Cabot Specialty Fluids, Chevron, Kuwait Oil Company, PTTEP, Talisman Energy and UMW Oil and Gas. General sponsors include Anadarko, Baker Hughes, FMC Wellhead Equipment, Halliburton, KNM Process Systems, Newfield Peninsula Malaysia, Petrofac, SapuraCrest Petroleum, Schlumberger and Weatherford.

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For additional information, please visit the IPTC website at: <http://www.iptcnet.org/2008>.

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