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IPTC Announces Daniel Yergin as Keynote Speaker

RICHARDSON, Texas, USA (5 October 2005) – Daniel Yergin, a highly respected authority on energy policy and international politics and economics, will be the keynote speaker at the International Petroleum Technology Conference (IPTC) scheduled for 21-23 November in Doha, Qatar. Yergin will present at the IPTC Keynote/Awards Banquet to be held on Monday, 21 November 2005.

Yergin, chairman for Cambridge Energy Research Association, won the Pulitzer Prize for General Nonfiction for his work The Prize: The Epic Quest for Oil, Money and Power, which became a U.S. bestseller, was translated into 12 languages and was made into an eight-hour PBS/BBC television series. Yergin is also a recipient of the United States Energy Award for "lifelong achievements in energy and the promotion of international understanding."

His new book, The Commanding Heights: The Battle for the World Economy has received wide attention for its analysis and narrative of how the "world is changing its mind about markets." It has been translated into 13 languages and made into a six-hour documentary used by PBS television as a series on globalization.

Yergin is a member of the board of the United States Energy Association and of the U.S.-Russian Business Council. He is a member of the Secretary of Energy’s Advisory Board, the National Petroleum Council, and the Committee of Studies at the Council on Foreign Relations. He is also a global energy analyst for NBC and CNBC television. Yergin received a BA from Yale University and a PhD from Cambridge University, where he was a Marshall Scholar.

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