

2001 OTC: A high-impact program

SOME OF THE WORLD'S TOP executives in the oil and gas industry, including OPEC Secretary General **Rilwanu Lukman**, are scheduled to be a part of the 32nd Offshore Technology Conference (OTC), 30 April-3 May 2001, in Houston.

Lukman, also an advisor to Nigerian President **Olusegun Obasanjo**, will serve as keynote speaker at the annual OTC Awards Luncheon.

The second Global Energy Summit, also a part of OTC, will once again bring distinguished industry and government leaders to the conference to discuss current issues affecting the global offshore marketplace.

IADC is an Endorsing Organization for the 2001 Offshore Technology Conference.

Wolfgang E Schollnberger is 2001 OTC Chairman. He is Technology Vice President for **BP** in Sunbury, England.

Since joining **Amoco** (now part of **BP**) in 1979, Schollnberger has served as Senior Geologist, Vice President for Exploration, Vice President for E&P Ventures Worldwide, Vice President for E&P Research, and Vice President for E&P Technology.

Schollnberger also serves as Chairman of the International Association of Oil and Gas Producers.

OTC traditionally brings more than 40,000 attendees and 2,000 exhibiting companies and organizations to the Astrodomain.

At the 2000 event, 2,033 participating companies and organizations occupied 369,977 sq ft of exhibition space. The composition of the exhibition continues to reflect the globalization of the offshore industry as exhibits represented 33 countries in 2000.

Almost 44,000 attendees represented 97 countries at OTC 2000.



Wolfgang E Schollnberger
OTC Chairman

SUBJECT HIGHLIGHTS

The conference includes hundreds of technical presentations and high-impact panel sessions. Highlighting the 2001 OTC are general sessions titled "e-Business Impact on the Petroleum Industry: Evolution or Revolution?" and "Ultra-deep Commercialization."

Invited panelists include executives from **Chevron, Enron, BP, Schlumberger-GeoQuest, Bank of America, Shell, ExxonMobil**, and the **US Department of Energy**.

"Ultra-deep Commercialization" panelists are slated to discuss the technical and operational barriers that must be overcome and the economic targets that must be met to make ultra-deep development feasible.

The general session on the impact of e-business will include global and strategic discussions, with comments on when and how e-business initiatives are likely to become profitable.

The OTC Awards Luncheon will feature the presentation of Distinguished Achievement Awards for Individuals and for Companies, Organizations, and Institutions.

The OTC program features keynote speakers in the technical sessions and dynamic presentations at the conference's topical luncheons.

Through all the new technology developments, political changes, and economic volatility of the oil and gas industry for the past three decades, OTC has grown into a valued event for executives, engineers, managers, and scientists.

The first conference drew some 4,200 attendees and included 125 exhibitors. But as the industry experienced growth, so did OTC. The industry and the conference survived embargoes and turmoil in the mid-1970s, but also experienced periods of prosperity.

OTC still ranks among the largest 200 trade shows held annually in the US.

Founded in 1969, the Conference is the world's foremost event for the development of offshore resources in drilling, exploration, production and environmental protection. ■

Petroleum museums offer education, entertainment

THERE ARE MANY oil, gas and energy museums around the US and elsewhere in the world.

They offer an excellent way to tell the public about the challenges and successes of our industry and deserve the industry's support (see President's message, p. 9). Here is a very limited sample.

Drake Well Museum
Barbara Zolli, Director
RD #3
Titusville, Pa 16354
1/814 827 2797
<http://www.usachoice.net/drakewell/>

East Texas Oil Museum
Joe White, Director
Highway 259 at Ross St
Kilgore, Tex 75662
1/903 983 8295
www.kilgore.cc.tx.us/attr/etom/etom

Offshore Energy Center
Sandra Mourton-Short, Director
2002 Wharf C (Pier 19)
20th St. & Harborside Drive
Galveston, TX 77550
1/409 766 7827
www.oceanstaroec.com

Petroleum Museum
Jane Phares, Director
1500 Interstate 20 West
Midland, Tex 79701
1/915 683 4403
<http://www.petroleummuseum.org>

International Petroleum Museum & Exposition
PO Box 1988
Morgan City, La 70381
1/504 384 3744
www.rigmuseum.com

Texas Energy Museum
Ryan Smith, Director
600 Main St
Beaumont, Tex 77701
1/409 833 5100
hal.lamar.edu/~wwwmgr/energy/museum.html

Norwegian Petroleum Museum
Kjerringholmen, Stavanger Harbor
Stavanger, Norway
47 51 93 93 00

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