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# PROGRESS'19

## EXPLORATION AS A BUSINESS

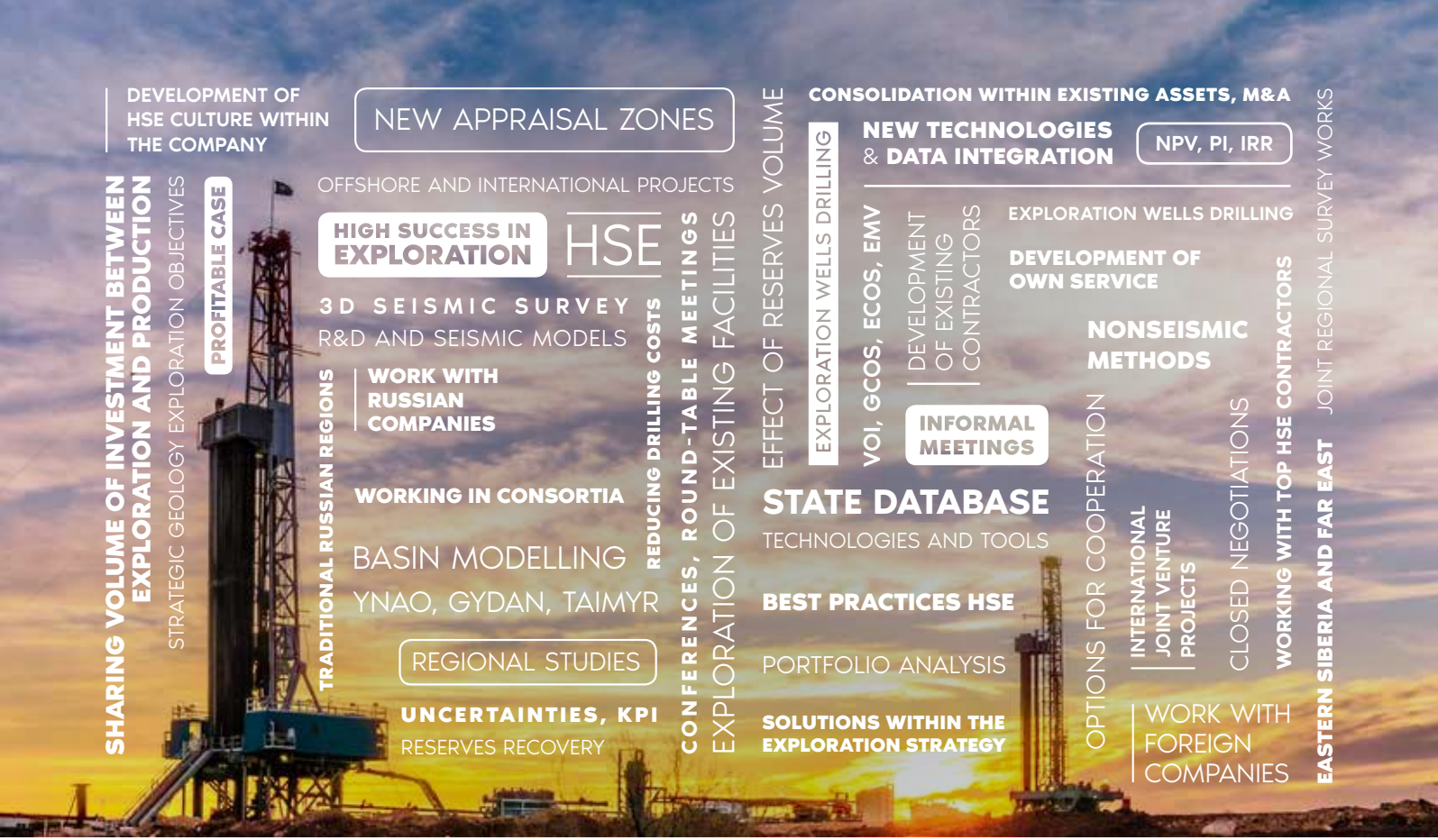
1<sup>ST</sup> INTERNATIONAL OIL AND GAS EXPLORATION CONFERENCE

5 - 8 NOVEMBER 2019 • SOCHI, RUSSIA

FIRST ANNOUNCEMENT



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The European Association of Geoscientists and Engineers (EAGE) invites you to discuss the actual challenges of geological exploration and to elaborate practical recommendations for the leaders of the world's oil and gas industry.

**For the first time** the Oil and Gas Exploration Conference will bring together top geology experts and management of Petroleum Companies to solve business problems and find exploration solutions.

**The speakers** are renowned experts and the representatives of related government agencies and of the biggest Russian and international companies.

**The following companies confirmed participation in the event:** Repsol, Total, Independent Project Analysis, Rystad Energy, Schlumberger, Rosneft, Gazprom neft, NOVATEK, Tatneft, Wintershall, Belorusneft, Bashneft Dobycha, Irkutsk Oil Company and etc.

The selected conference format matches the latest trends of the 21<sup>st</sup> century such as simplicity, practicality and being case- based. **Online registration is open on [www.eage.org](http://www.eage.org)!**

**The agenda** has been elaborated through questioning and discussion with the leaders and experts of the industry and covers the following topical issues:

**CALL FOR ABSTRACTS DEADLINE – 20 JUNE**  
**EARLY REGISTRATION DEADLINE – 20 JULY**

**THE AGENDA OF PROGRESS'19 COVERS:**

- Management of big exploration project from the industry's leaders
- International approaches to realization of geological exploration projects
- Overview of perspective search areas and the results of geological surveying in Russia and CIS countries
- Implementation and development of the best geological practices during petroleum exploration projects and in conditions of high geological uncertainties
- Practical cases in relation to organization of safe and effective geological surveying and application of digital technologies.

We invite all geoscientists to contribute to the technical programme and submit the abstract by one of the Conference topics:

1. Oil and Gas Exploration as a Business, Capitalization of Exploration Projects
2. Safe and Efficient Production, Cost Reduction
3. Digital transformation, Qualitative Leap in Analysis and Data Accounting
4. Future Potential, Promising Areas Under Exploration
5. Best Practices in Petroleum Exploration
6. Field Development Role at Appraisal and Exploration Stages, Science Engineering
7. New Technologies in Petroleum Exploration
8. Partnerships, Venture projects

Please refer to the event website [www.eage.org](http://www.eage.org) for more information on the guidelines, the submission process and other relevant information.



**Jean-Jacques Biteau, President EAGE:** The ProGREss'19 Conference is an interesting, or one might say, experimental project for us. For the first time, we offer for the discussion by the global geological community the topics that are less connected with scientific and applied research, but rather with the practical challenges that the global economic agenda poses to us — this is the place of geology in the economics of an exploration project, digitalization, venture projects, safe production, etc. Current topics define the way of presenting information. This year we are preparing a lot of interesting, interactive formats aiming to make an active participant out of the listener. I invite everyone to participate in the ProGREss'19 conference. I hope we will manage to create not only a bright, but also really useful event in the world of geological engineering.

**Aleksey Vashkevich, Head of Exploration, Gazprom Neft:** O&G exploration is the riskiest business of any vertically integrated oil company. At the early stages of exploration the main value center is created - up to 80% by the start of full scale development. Therefore, the sustainability of oil company depends on such criteria as decision making speed and quality, approach to risk, use of digital technologies. I expect that the EAGE ProGREss Conference will become a platform where we can discuss global trends and problems related to oil industry, exchange practical exploration cases, get feedback from our international colleagues who can already estimate the effect of using flexible approaches to exploration. I invite to the conference all those who are aiming at working in accordance with the best industry practices.



**Bram Bruijn, Shell Exploration Manager Russia:** Exploration of Oil and Gas is becoming increasingly more difficult as the "easy" hydrocarbons have been mostly found and developed. The challenge for the O/G industry is to find new technologies and innovative ways of working. Integration of explorers with other disciplines (R&D, production, finance) and a full understanding of all the risks, not only in the technical domain, is becoming increasingly more important. In times where the economic returns of new exploration projects may be challenged, quick turnaround time from discovery to first production is essential. I see the EAGE ProGREss'19 conference as a great platform for participants to bring up ideas, discuss, listen and learn from each other. I am looking forward to the event!

## COMMITTEES

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## REGISTRATION

Please fill the registration form online on the [www.eage.org](http://www.eage.org) to register for the event

Registration fees, VAT incl.	Until 20.07.2019	21.07.2019 – 20.09.2019	21.09.2019 – on-site
EAGE Bronze/Silver/Gold member <sup>1</sup>	€ 675	€ 760	€ 850
EAGE Green member <sup>2</sup>	€ 725	€ 810	€ 900
Retired member <sup>5</sup>	€ 337	€ 380	€ 425
Non-member <sup>4</sup>	€ 775	€ 860	€ 950
EAGE Student member <sup>1,3</sup>	€ 170	€ 190	€ 210
Student Green member <sup>2,3</sup>	€ 200	€ 220	€ 245
Full time student non-member <sup>3,4</sup>	€ 225	€ 245	€ 270
Family member	€ 100	€ 115	€ 125

*Green Member Fees: Green Member Fees apply to first year members of EAGE, starting in 2019.*

The registration fee includes:

- participation in the Conference Programme
- conference bag with conference materials, access to the Extended abstracts
- Ice-Breaker & Conference Evening

Family members are invited to visit Ice-Breaker & Conference Evening.

Please note that the registration fee does not cover accommodation, visa and travel expenses.

The speakers whose abstracts have been accepted and included in the conference's technical programme may request for preferential participation without paying the registration fee. You may send us such a request if you do not receive any financial support from your company or any other sources. Please send this request to [progress@eage.ru](mailto:progress@eage.ru) before 20 June 2019. Please indicate your abstract number and explain why you think your registration fee should be waived. Conference committee will review your request during the Technical Programme meeting. Free participation is limited.

<sup>1</sup> Definition of membership status: Bronze: 2 years of EAGE membership in the most recent 2 years; Silver: 5 years of EAGE membership in the most recent 6 years; Gold: 10 years of EAGE membership in the most recent 12 years

<sup>2</sup> Green membership (first year EAGE members) status gives you a €50 discount (€25 for students) on the Non-Member fee

<sup>3</sup> To qualify for the reduced student registration fee: Students must be enrolled in a full time study programme at a recognized university or institute  
The registration must be accompanied by a copy of a student ID card and/or official proof of enrollment  
Please note: Student non-members can not be older than 34 years of age (when registering)

<sup>4</sup> The non-member fee includes EAGE membership for 2020

<sup>5</sup> The retired members are 60 years of age or older, currently not employed and have been active EAGE members for at least ten years

## OFFICIAL VISA INVITATIONS

Please bear in mind that citizens of the majority of foreign countries are required to obtain an entry visa to the Russian Federation.

We advise delegates who require a visa to start their application process three months prior to the event as in specific cases the visa process may be lengthy (up to two months). For more information about visa invitations please visit [www.eage.org](http://www.eage.org).

## IMPORTANT DATES

Call for abstracts deadline	20 June 2019
Deadline for early registration	20 July 2019
Preliminary Technical Programme	20 September 2019
Deadline for pre-registration	25 October 2019

## SOCIAL PROGRAMME

On the dates of the conference we are planning sports team building activities, geological trip. More information available on [www.eage.org](http://www.eage.org).

### We also recommend you to visit:

- caves and gorges near the city of Sochi
- Black Sea coast
- yew grove
- Olympic Games 2014 objects
- Sky park
- dolmens and traces of ancient settlements near Sochi



## **CONTACT**

Please visit our websites at [www.eage.org](http://www.eage.org) (English) or [www.eage.ru](http://www.eage.ru) (Russian) for all the latest updates and downloadable versions of the announcement for ProGRESS'19. For any questions about the event, please contact us via [progress@eage.org](mailto:progress@eage.org).

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