

Announcement from the Secretary Board

Distinguished Service Award

It is our great pleasure to inform that the Board of directors will bestow the Distinguished Service Award to Dr. Norio Arihara in recognition of untiring service to JFES. An award ceremony will be held in coming annual symposium scheduled for September 29th.

Dr. Norio ARIHARA is the Professor of Waseda University, Department of Mineral Resources Engineering. He graduated from Kyoto University with a M.S. degree in Aeronautical Engineering and Stanford University with a Ph.D. in Petroleum Engineering to manage the geothermal project. After that, he joined Arabian Oil Company, Tokyo as a Senior Reservoir Engineer in both Tokyo and Saudi Arabia. He was assigned to a Director of Reservoir Engineering Laboratory of Japan National Oil Corp., Technical Research Center. He then moved to Schlumberger K.K., where he has worked on the Reservoir Modeling Project in both Tokyo and Austin (Texas). In 1992, he moved to present University as a Professor, is teaching Petroleum Engineering and Geothermal Reservoir Engineering.

He has been an active member of SPWLA and SPE. In 1994, he was involved in establishing the Japan Chapter of SPWLA which later changed the name to the Japan Formation Evaluation Society (JFES) where he has served as a Board member. He have been supporting annual symposium of Japan by presenting many papers and also by promoting his students to assist us since the first symposium.

In 2002, he succeeded the President of JFES from the first president, Satoshi Tono. It was just right after the big event, the 43rd SPWLA Annual Symposium in Oiso, Japan hosted by Japan Chapter. After the accomplishment of big event, it was not easy to keep motivation, but he successfully conducted JFES annual symposiums from 2003 to 2007. He served for steady growth of JFES as President for five years.

The closing date for “Call for Abstract” submission entries is June 13

As we announced in the last newsletter, the 14th Formation Evaluation Symposium of Japan will be held at Japan Oil, Gas and Metals National Corporation (JOGMEC) - Technology & Research Center, Chiba on September 29-30, 2008. All persons involved in oil, gas, geothermal and geo-engineering industry and scientific drillings are invited to submit abstracts of papers for presenting at the symposium. The symposium will cover Scientific Drilling, General Formation Evaluation, Reservoir Characterization, Fractured Reservoir, New Tool/ New Technology, Well Test / Production Logging, Methane Hydrates and Geophysical Applications. In addition to these general sessions, a special session “Logging While Drilling” will be featured this year.

Abstract is due no later than June 13, 2008. For details, please refer to the attached "Call for Abstracts." Looking forward to hearing from you!

Invitation to the 64th Chapter Meeting

We would like to announce that the forthcoming Chapter Meeting will be held as follows. Those who are interested in attending this meeting are asked to inform Shizu Kobayashi (kobayasi@fuchinobe.oilfield.slb.com) **by Monday June 23.**

Date: Thursday July 3, 2008

Time: 15:00 – 16:00 Technical Presentation 1: “Advanced LWD Formation Evaluation”
Shim Yen Han, Schlumberger

16:00 – 17:00 Technical Presentation 2: “Interactive Drilling Operations “
Juan Marsal, Schlumberger

17:30 - Icebreaker (Yen 1,000)

Venue: Schlumberger K.K.
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1. Advanced LWD Formation Evaluation

Real-time formation evaluation is much closer to the bit with a wide variety of measurements that are completely new to the LWD world. The new measurements include formation capture cross section (sigma) and elemental analysis from neutron capture spectroscopy that is used to compute lithology. The result is a robust and complete interpretation with significantly reduced formation evaluation uncertainty.

Biography of speaker (Shim Yen Han):

Shim Yen Han is the LWD Petrophysics Domain Champion for China, Japan, Korea based in Shekou, China. She joined Schlumberger 12 years ago and has since held many positions both in the field and in operational support ranging from LWD field engineer, Well Placement engineer, drilling engineer and is currently responsible for the LWD interpretation and development, focusing on LWD technology support. She has held this latest position for the past 8 years working in both Malaysia and China, during this time, she has organized and coordinated various LWD interpretation workshops, LWD seminars, new technology shows for both internal training as well as for various clients, presented and written few papers in SPE and SPWLA events.

2. Interactive Drilling Operations

Today we are facing some tough challenges in well construction operations, i.e., shortage of experienced personnel and domain experts, not enough people to handle the current level of activity and manage multiple operations simultaneously at the same time, high rig costs, need for greater well production in increasingly complex and challenging reservoirs, operations in increasingly remote and hazardous locations, hostile environments and so on. Advanced wellsite connectivity and remote control software enable Oil Company to remotely management drilling operations through Operations Support Center to optimize drilling, improve safety and reduce risks.

Biography of speaker (Juan Marsal):

Juan Marsal is the Infrastructure Business Development Manager for Schlumberger Information Solutions (SIS) – MEA based in Dubai. He joined Schlumberger in May 1999 as Omnes IT Supervisor, Rue St Dominique - Paris. From March 2001, he was in charge of various infrastructure projects for Schlumberger operations sites in Africa continent including Angola, South Africa, Cameroon, Chad, Ivory Coast, Congo, Equatorial Guinea and Gabon. He was assigned SMA Channel Manager - based in Houston in 2003, his main responsibilities was to provide support to majors oil companies who have operations in Africa and coordinating all proposals and requests. From 2004, he was taking care of projects included ESSO microwave projects for Sonangol drilling operations as well as office setups for ABB, Cooper Cameron and ESSO and rollout of various InterAct projects in conjunction with OFS.

Map of the venue:

