International Well Control Conference 7-8 Dec

THE IADC INTERNATIONAL Well Control Conference and Exhibition scheduled for 7-8 Dec at the JW Marriott Hotel in Dubai promises to leave the conference attendee with the latest initiatives and proactive solutions for well control management.

The conference is sponsored by Saudi Aramco, ADCO, Kuwait Oil Company, and Petroleum Development Oman (PDO).

Event sponsors are Pride Arabia, MB Petroleum Services, National Drilling Company, and ITM Dubai.

The conference will open at 8:00 am with remarks by IADC President Dr Lee Hunt and Randy L Neshold, Vice President-Operations, Dubai Petroleum Company.

Session Chairman Harvey Bauman with MB Petroleum Services moderates the Well Control session beginning at 9:00 am that features two presentations and an alternate presentation.

The first paper by Helio Santos with Impact Solutions Group discusses Automatic Kick Detection and Control Method Reduces Cost and Risk.

Steve Smith with Saudi Aramco makes the next presentation, Well Control Issues With Submersible Pumps And Smart Well Completions.

The alternate presentation is Managed Pressure Drilling Technology Enhances Conventional Drilling, Offshore and Onshore by Adam Lloyd with Weatherford Oil Tools Middle East.

The second Well Control session runs from 10:30-noon, which will be moderated by Mr Bauman.

The first presentation of the session will be made by Bader Al-Azmi with Kuwait Oil Company who will discuss Live Well Fishing Using A Snubbing Unit On A Deep Jurassic Well, An Unusual Well Control Situation.

The second presentation of the session is Well Stability Analyzer Early Kick Detection System by Richard Staf fensen with National Oilwell. The session closes with WellCAP Plus: A Team Approach to Well Control Events presented by Bob Burnett with Global-Santafe Corporation and the IADC Well Control Committee Chairman.

Lunch and prayers is from Noon-1:30 pm with time to view the exhibition. Lunch is sponsored by National Drilling Company.

A panel discussion begins at 1:30. Update on Iraq is moderated by Dr Mohammad Abed Mazeel Al-Aboudi, Director General of Iraq Drilling Company. Dr Al-Aboudi will lead a discussion on current E&P operations in Iraq. The discussion will include representatives from the Iraqi South Oil Company and North Oil Company.

From 2-4 pm will be a session on HSE and Risk moderated by session Chairman Noureddine Hadj-Moussa with National Drilling Company.

The first presentation will be Managing QHSE in an Emerging Technology: The Underbalanced Drilling Experience by Abdullah Al-Mandhari with Weatherford Oil Tools Middle East.

The next presentation will be Blowout Ignition Criteria by David Barnett with Wild Well Control.

Following that presentation will be a discussion on Wellbore and Reservoir Damage Suffered from a Blowout and Its Implications for Forward Drilling, Completion and Reservoir Production Operations by Neal Adams with Neal Adams Services.

This will be followed with A Model for Applying Risk Management Principles to Underbalanced Drilling by Mark Werner with Saudi Aramco.

An alternate presentation is Demonstration of the Advantages of Dynamic Lubrication versus Conventional Stepwise Lubrication in a Full-Scale Research Well by Rishi Ramtahal with BP Trinidad.

The first day’s sessions end at 4:00 pm Wednesday, 8 Dec, begins with registration from 7:00-8:00 am.

A session on Underbalanced Drilling runs from 8-10 am, which is moderated by session Chairman Khalid Al-
Abdulqader with Saudi Aramco. The first presentation is Sajaa Underbalanced Coiled Tubing Drilling Lessons Learned by Randy Pruitt with BP Sharjah.

The next presentation by Charlie Leslie with Halliburton Energy Services discusses Problems and Solutions for Underbalanced Drilling of Multilateral Wells in a Mature Field.

James Chopty with Weatherford Oil Tools Middle East makes the next presentation, Drilling Underbalanced in Hassi Messaoud.

The third presentation is Well Control in Underbalanced Drilling Operations: Life Cycle Philosophy by John Ramalho with Shell International E&P.

A coffee break follows this session from 10-10:30 am after which a session on Training begins from 10:30-Noon moderated by session Chairman Pat O'Shaughnessy with National Drilling Services Company.

The first Training presentation is by Claire Davy with EITICAT, who will discuss Well Control Training Developed to Suit the Needs of Specific Personnel.

The second presentation by Mustafa Eideh discusses Well Control Training Values.

The final presentation of the training session is Preparation of a Workable Well Control Emergency Response Plan for Kuwait by Willem Vollenbrock with Kuwait Oil Company.

A panel discussion follows, In Pursuit of Well Control Competency: Focusing on Practical Skills, moderated by Norman Edwards, IADC Director of Operations-Middle East and Asia.

The panelists include Randy Pruitt, BP, Khulgan Albarry, Saudi Aramco, and Magdy Zaky Agaiby, Arabian Drilling Company.

The conference closes following this panel discussion.

Special thanks go to the IADC International Well Control Conference and Exhibition Committee for planning this informative conference.

They include Khalid al-Abdulqader, Saudi Aramco; Nayef Al-Anzi, Kuwait Oil Company; Walter MacKinlay, ADCO; Eamon Gordon, PDO; Noureddine Hadj-Moussa, NDC; Harvey Baumman and Hafidh Soud Al Busaidi, MB Petroleum; Charlie Yester, Noble International Ltd; Pat O'Shaughnessy, NDSC; Mike Derbyshire, Pride International; Lester Carson, Signa Engineering; and Norman Edwards and Steve Kropla, IADC.

Be sure to visit with the exhibiting companies: Alert Disaster Control (Middle East) Ltd; ARNCO Technology Trust Ltd; Boots & Coots Services; Cudd Well Control; Randy Smith Training Solutions; TechTran International; Well Control School; and Wild Well Control.