



# Call for Proposals of Special Sessions

## SPWLA Annual Logging Symposium 2023

The Houston Chapter is hosting the 64th SPWLA Annual Logging Symposium in Conroe, TX, USA



The SPWLA ANNUAL LOGGING SYMPOSIUM is the world-leading event on petrophysics, formation evaluation, borehole geophysics, and well logging. The 64th Symposium will be held in Conroe, TX, USA, June 10-14. Following the successful launch of the Special Sessions during the 2022 Symposium, the Technical Committee would like to propose a continuation of this initiative.

The main goal of Special Sessions is to provide a forum for focused discussions on technical topics (covering both innovative applications of established methods) the community deems important. A significant role is expected to be played by Special Session champions, their role is to engage with their technical community to promote their proposed Special Session and thus secure an appropriate number of quality submissions.

The following are examples of organized Special Sessions:

- (1) Advances in deep-sensing borehole geophysical systems
- (2) Fiber optics implementations for borehole production monitoring
- (3) The role of formation evaluation in the energy transition
- (4) Deep Learning with high-dimensional petrophysical data
- (5) Petrophysics of the integrated reservoir modelling and unitization
- (6) Digitization and Digital core analysis
- (7) Ultimate formation evaluation for unconventional rocks
- (8) Recent advances and the road ahead in borehole geomechanics

Each organized session should have a maximum of five (5) papers (handy to aim for at least six (6)) that will be subject to the regular vetting/acceptance process. Session champions will coordinate with the SPWLA Technical Committee to motivate authors to submit abstracts. Each Special Session is limited to no more than two (2) champions and the session champions can designate a chair and a co-chair for the session. Only registered participants can be designated as a session chair to avoid no-show onsite. The allocated presentation time for each paper is the same as regular submitted/accepted abstracts.

### Important Info, Dates and Deadlines

Special Session proposals are due on **August 15, 2022**

Notification of approval of Special Sessions: **September 2, 2022**

Abstract submission deadline: the same as for regular submitted abstracts.

There is no financial help provided for session champions, session chairs, and invitees. All SPWLA Annual Symposium participants, including session champions, chairs, invitees, and keynote speakers are required

to register and pay the registration fee. Special Session abstract submissions will be reviewed via the same vetting process as submissions to the regular program, and papers are expected to meet the same quality standards.

Important Steps where Special Session champions are expected to play a role:

- (1) Motivate high-valued technical contributions by directly contacting colleagues working in the proposed theme/field.
- (2) Remind your invitees to submit their abstracts/papers directly to your Session using the online SPWLA submission process.
- (3) Session champions will be requested to supervise the review of papers in their session.

Proposals and inquiries should be sent via e-mail to the Special Sessions Chairs: Iulian Hulea (Iulian.Hulea@shell.com) and Bob Gales (Robert.Gales@halliburton.com). The Annual Symposium places a strong emphasis on diversity, and we encourage special session proposals from diverse teams both in terms of geographical, national and gender coverage.

Notification for acceptance of papers: the same as for regular submitted abstracts.

Final approval of accepted Special Sessions: once sufficient accepted abstracts are known.

