



SPWLA
Annual
Logging
Symposium
2022

Call for
Proposals of
Special
Sessions

NFES is hosting the 63rd SPWLA Annual Logging Symposium in Stavanger, Norway



The **SPWLA ANNUAL LOGGING SYMPOSIUM** is the world-leading event on petrophysics, formation evaluation, borehole geophysics, well logging and core analysis. During 2022, the symposium will be held in the beautiful city of Stavanger, Norway. The SPWLA Technical Committee is, for the first time, adopting the format of organized Special Sessions to be featured during the annual symposium.

The goal of special sessions is to provide a forum for focused discussions on new technical topics or innovative applications of established methods and field procedures. A special session could address a particular theme or consist of work done in some particular project. It is expected that Special Session champions engage with their technical community to promote their special session and thus secure an appropriate number of quality submissions to ensure sufficient coverage of the Special Session topic in the symposium. Alternatively, abstracts/papers associated with a special session may be placed in the regular program if the special session does not meet the minimum requirement of papers. 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.

Example of Special Sessions

The following are examples of organized special sessions:

- (1) The role of formation evaluation in the energy transition
- (2) Formation evaluation of geothermal production systems
- (3) Advanced formation evaluation of subsurface hydrology resources
- (4) Petrophysics of carbon capture, utilization, and storage
- (5) Fiber optics implementations for borehole production monitoring
- (6) Petrophysics of the Integrated reservoir modelling and unitization
- (7) Digital core analysis
- (8) Advances in deep-sensing borehole geophysical systems
- (9) Ultimate formation evaluation for unconventional rocks
- (10) Recent advances and the road ahead in borehole geomechanics
- (11) Your choice!

Each organized session should have a maximum of 5 papers 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 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.

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.

Selection of Invited Speakers

1. Each special session will consist of a maximum of 5 papers, including invited papers and contribution papers related to the topic. All abstracts/papers will be subject to the regular vetting, ranking, and acceptance process as regular abstracts/papers.
2. Special sessions can also feature keynote speakers who have their abstracts/papers vetted and accepted by the SPWLA Technology Committee.

Proposals (in pdf, not exceeding 2 pages) and inquiries should be sent via e-mail to the Special Sessions Chairs: Carlos Torres-Verdín (cverd@mail.utexas.edu) and Iulian Hulea (Iulian.Hulea@shell.com).

Special Session proposals should clearly outline the technical domain of the special session, highlighting its importance, impact, and relevance to the Annual Symposium and SPWLA community at large. As a minimum, proposals should include the special session title, a concise and accessible session description (this will be published on the Symposium website for accepted proposals), and a short biography of the champions. The Annual Symposium places a strong emphasis on diversity, and we encourage special session proposals from diverse teams.

Session Proposals should include:

- Special Session title
- A short description (2-3 lines) and covered topics
- Session organizer(s) and chair(s)
- Potential list of speakers (when available)
- Potential keynote speakers (if any)



Important Steps

- (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.
- (4) Session champions are responsible for reminding the author(s) to pre-register the abstracts/papers in their session before they arrange the final paper/presentation sequence.

Important Dates and Deadlines

Special session proposals are due on **September 1, 2021**

Notification of approval of special sessions: **September 15, 2021**

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

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

Final approval of accepted special sessions: immediately after all submitted abstracts are approved by the SPWLA Technology Committee and the session includes a maximum of 5 accepted abstracts.

