

The Leading Conference for the Decommissioning Sector

3-4 JUNE 2026
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TECHNICAL PROGRAMME

Now in its 15th year, the SPE Well Decommissioning conference unites energy professions specialising in decommissioning and late-life operations from leading operators, service providers, academic and regulatory bodies.

Decommissioning can ensure that the UK's world-leading supply chain is equipped to help operators clean up their oil and gas infrastructure over the next 50 years and support the carbon storage sector, which will rely on many of the same resources. The forecast cost of decommissioning from 2025 onwards is now £44bn in 2024 prices, with well decommissioning work being the most expensive aspect of decommissioning at £17.5bn according to the NSTA UKCS Decommissioning Cost and Performance Update 2025. This includes forecast well decommissioning activities on 3,277 wells up to 2060, with 2,018 wells planned to be decommissioned from 2025 – 2034 according to the NSTA Wells Insight Report 2025.

At this conference, delegates will discover the latest in well decommissioning by exploring success stories, case histories and lessons learned with energy experts from across the energy sector.

CUTTING EDGE CASE STUDIES

NUMEROUS OPERATOR PRESENTATIONS

VISIT AND TALK TO OPERATORS
AT THE OPERATOR STAND

MULTIPLE NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES

EXHIBITION SHOWCASING
THE LATEST TECHNOLOGIES AND TRENDS

COST EFFECTIVE TRAINING



NEW: PRE-CONFERENCE EVENT!

**Global Challenge: Local Focus' Discussion Session
& Networking Lunch**

2nd June, NZTC, 20 Queen's Rd, Aberdeen, 10:00 for 10:30 start.
For details of all panellists, view page 6.

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TECHNICAL PROGRAMME - DAY 1 MORNING



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Time	Title	Speaker
7:30 - 8:30	REGISTRATION	
8:30	Introductory Remarks	Suzie Coull, Conference Chair
8:40	KEYNOTE SESSION - SANDY HUTCHISON, MANAGING DIRECTOR, TAQA UK Participating in the panel session will be: Pauline Innes, Director of Supply Chain & Decommissioning, NSTA Matt Jenkins, Chief Operating Officer, Well-Safe Solutions and Rodrigo Fernandes da Silva, General Manager – Energy, SLB	
9:45	COFFEE BREAK	
	SUBSURFACE	
10:15	Which shales work and which don't: Understand creeping formation potential	Torolf Wedberg, Physiq
10:35	Advancing Shale Seal Characterisation Through a Multi-Stage LithoSeal™ Workflow	Sarah Dominey, Islay Subsurface
10:55	Subsurface Screening to Barrier Verification: Can we streamline for Shale Squeeze?	Phil McCurdy, Elemental Energies
	ALTERNATIVE MATERIALS TECHBYTES AND PANEL	
11:15	A Pathway to Qualified Well Barrier Technologies	Brian Willis, Astrimar
11:20	From Loss Control to Long Term Isolation: Field Experience with Dynamic Self Sealing Barriers in Land and Offshore Wells	Scott Petrie, Resolute Energy
11:25	First Field Trial Of A Next-Generation Fully Controllable Alloy Wellbore Sealing Technology	Gary McWilliam, Wellstrom
11:30	A computational-based framework for modeling the plug and abandonment of oil and gas wells with alternative barrier materials	Hyago Santos, Laboratory for Applications in Petroleum and Biofuels
11:35	PANEL Q&A	
12:05	LUNCH	

TECHNICAL PROGRAMME - DAY 1 AFTERNOON



Time	Title	Speaker
	LEGACY WELLS	
13:05	Unlocking CCUS by Solving the Legacy Well Crisis	Danny Williams, Aquaterra Energy
13:25	Managing legacy well risks in the energy transition	Yakubu Wagaja, Robert Gordon University
13:45	Permanent Abandonment Challenges for Co2 Injection Wells in BECCS Projects	Maria Fernanda Salomon
14:05	Pay Now or Pay Later? The Cost of CCS Readiness in Well Abandonment	Ruth Thomas, Well-Safe Solutions
14:25	COFFEE BREAK	
	THOUGHT PROVOKING	
14:55	Guesstimate, Estimate or Engineer?	Steven Canny, Archer
15:15	Integrate or pay the price - the solution to the pitfalls of well abandonment	Ian Roberts & Liz Robson, Exceed
15:35	Spirit Energy York P&A: realising Best Practices with Benchmark Data, AI and Generative Planning	Marc Nijmeijer, WellDecommissioned & Derek Charlton, Spirit Energy
15:55	Does Size Really Matter? Rethinking Barrier Length in Well Abandonment	Ruth Thomas, Well-Safe Solutions
	RIGLESS	
16:15	NEO NEXT+ 2025 Light Well Intervention (LWI) Campaign	Stuart Connon, NEO NEXT+ & Gregory Orih, NEO NEXT+
16:35	Light Well Intervention	Neil Greig, Helix Energy Solutions
16:55	Field Proven Alternative Technology Based Inegrated Rigless P&A Methodology, designed to prepare for and De-Risk AB1	Francis Newbatt, Unity
17:15	NETWORKING RECEPTION	
	CLOSE	

TECHNICAL PROGRAMME - DAY 2 MORNING



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Time	Title	Speaker
8:15 - 9:15	REGISTRATION	
9:15	KEYNOTE SESSION Participating in the panel session will be: Lewis Harper, Programme Manager for Industry Collaborations and JIPs, Net Zero Technology Centre	
	INTERNATIONAL CASE STUDIES	
9:45	Rigless Multi well Intervention campaign offshore Spain	Zafar Khan, Wellbore Integrity Solutions (WIS)
10:20	Cement integrity evaluation for well abandonment using machine learning-based log interpretation: A case study	Guiherme Bessa Ferreira, Ouronova
10:45	COFFEE BREAK	
	NORWEGIAN INSIGHTS	
11:25	Collaboration and sharing of collective learnings to overcome challenges in future P&A operations	Nina Ringøen, Havtil
11:45	The P&A Innovation Program – an International R&D Collaboration	David Gardner, NORCE
12:05	Accelerating the Qualification of New P&A Solutions	Lewis Harper, NZTC
12:30	LUNCH	

TECHNICAL PROGRAMME - DAY 2 AFTERNOON



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	AB3 OPERATIONS	
13:40	From Seabed to Shore: A New Approach to AB3	Suzie Coull, NSTA
14:00	Operational Efficiency Gains in Well Abandonment	Alasdair Gordon, Wellbore Integrity Solutions
14:20	New Technology approaches for Phase 3 P&A in Shallow and Deepwater applications	Alistair Tennant, Baker Hughes
14:40	Sub-Sea Wellhead Recovery - Back to the Future - Doing More with Legacy Equipment	Jamie Stewart, Weatherford
15:00	Abrasive Waterjet Cutting – Multistring Conductor	Thibaut Ingelaere, Submar
15:20	COFFEE BREAK	
	THROUGH-TUBING	
15:50	A Through-Tubing P&A Campaign for Cost-Effective Decommissioning: Technical Challenges and Field Lessons	Renato Rios, Energean
16:10	Reducing Abandonment Complexity Through a Mechanical Through-Tubing Annular Access Method	Gary McWilliam, Swiftwell
16:30	A Novel Technology Development For Well Abandnment Through Tubing	Geir Erik Ravndal, Archer
16:50	Abstract outlines a mchanically enabled access methods for positive plugging of control and chemical injection lines, supporting cleaning, verification, and barrier placement while reducing uncertainty and avoiding escalation to heavier intervention	Pål Hjertholm, Wellmend
17:10	CLOSING REMARKS	
17:15	CLOSE	

OPERATOR STAND



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The Operator stand is brought to you by OEUK and SPE Aberdeen and is beneficial for both Operators and service companies.

- Have a problem? Find a solution at this conference!
- Do genuine business
- Walk away with real connections

PROGRAMME

The programme below is subject to change:

DAY 1 – 3rd JUNE

09:45 - 10:15	Emma Haggart, CNOOC International, Mark Summers, Adura & Neil Aitchinson, Harbour Energy
12:05 - 13:00	Douglas Noble, TAQA John Anderson, Exceed Michael Comfort, NEO NEXT+
14:25 - 14:55	Craig Barnes, CB&I Asset Solutions & Ali Forsyth, bp

DAY 2 – 4th June

10:55 - 11:25	Vidhya Thevarayan, EnQuest Miguel Mota, ExxonMobil
12:30 - 13:30	Greig Hunter, Harbour Energy Guy Andrews, CNOOC International
15:20 - 15:50	Keith Wise, OEUK & Caroline Evans, Shell Willem Boon, Elemental Energies

Keith Wise, Caitlin Smith, Emily Taylor and Anna Lewis from OEUK will be present across the two days.



Participating Operators



POSTER PRESENTATIONS

Poster presenters will be by their posters during the breaks and lunches on both days.
The posters will take place in the exhibition area.

Developing an Integrated Tender-Assist P&A Unit Through Collaboration with a Local Nigerian Contractor	Dennis Vollmar, Vollmarintek
Using Holisitc Analysis Approaches to Verify Buckled Tubing Condition in a Subsided Offshore Platform Well	Dylan Thornton, 2H Offshore
Offshore Decommissioning Risk Management on the UKCS: Satellite Technology, Advanced Analytics and AI	William Jeffery, Virdien Group
Developing a through-restriction coiled tubing PWC tool with expandable nozzles for annular remediation	Marcelo Jaculli, HydraWell
Enabling Smarter Subsea Well Decommissioning Through Wireless Downhole Integrity Monitoring	Nick Yarr, Expro
Subsea Well Structural P&A Screening Tool	Michael Shaw, 2H Offshore
Passive Subsea Monitoring with WellSentinel Systems in Australia revolutionising Decommissioning	Elliot Kinch, Sentinel Subsea
Overcoming Annulus Isolation Challenges in Mature Assets prior to critical path decommissioning operations.	Rob Illingworth, Unity
An empirical prediction model for tracer-gas leakage across permanent barriers	Elliot Kinch, Sentinel Subsea

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Havindustriilsynet

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Well Engineering Manager,
Elemental Energies

Scott Petrie,
Business Development,
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James Richards,
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BOOKINGS

This is an excellent training opportunity not to be missed! All tickets include free parking, breakfast, coffees, lunch and access to the Networking Reception with drinks.

OFFERS

If you purchase a two-day members ticket, you can add an Early Career or YP ticket* for FREE at the checkout.

(Limited tickets available for this on a first come first serve basis. “Early Career Professionals” defined as those with 10 years’ experience or less within the energy industry). Special ‘buy 4 get 1 free’ rates available.

Contact aberdeen.events@spe-uk.org for this option.

BOOK NOW

	Early Bird Until 24 April	Delegate Rate After 24 April
Members 1 day	£280	£330
Members 2 days	£360	£410
Non Members 1 day	£330	£380
Non Members 2 days	£455	£510
Students and Unemployed 1 day**	£25	£25
Students and Unemployed 2 days**	£50	£50
Pre-Conference Discussion Session	£35	£35

The Pre-conference workshop is only open to those that are attending the main conference.



SPONSORSHIP

SPE Aberdeen is a not-for-profit organisation. Raising sponsorship is crucial to help us ensure that this conference continues to be an affordable and valuable training opportunity for the industry; to enable us to re-invest back into industry and society and to support our future generation of young engineers.

This is your opportunity to sign up early, take advantage of the early bird sponsorship rates and be a prime example of industry collaboration to deliver a first-class conference for the industry. Any surplus funds get reinvested to help support the future of our young engineers.



Previous supporters have included



SPONSORSHIP BENEFITS

All conference sponsors, depending on package, will receive:

- Free delegate pass(es) on both days
- A place on the technical committee
- Unrivalled branding opportunities, which will include, but will not be limited to, branding on all marketing materials, website, emailers, social media content, branding at the conference on screens and abstracts books. Additional benefits are outlined below.

Sponsoring the conference will help ensure you are seen as an ‘employer of choice’. In addition, the package benefits are as follows.

SPONSOR PACKAGES	COST	NUMBER OF PASSES	ADDITIONAL BRANDING
Platinum Partner	£5,600	5	Display stand in conference hall
Event Partner	£3,500	3	Display stand in conference hall
Lanyards	SOLD	–	Logo on lanyard, can be provided in kind by sponsor or sourced at cost
Registration	£2,500	2	Logo displayed at registration area
Programme	£2,500	2	Sponsor status on all programmes
Lunch	£2,500	2	Logo displayed at catering stations
Coffee Breaks	£2,500	2	Logo displayed at catering stations
Breakfast Sponsor	£2,500	2	Logo displayed at catering stations
Networking Reception	£2,500	2	Logo displayed at catering stations
Speaker Gift Sponsor	£2,000	2	
Duck Hunt Sponsorship	SOLD	–	This interactive challenge will let attendees hunt the exhibition for rubber ducks – the winner will receive a prize!
101 Session	£2,000	2	This standalone event targets YPs and those new to the industry.

*All costs exclude VAT

EXHIBITION

Exhibiting at this conference is a cost-effective promotional opportunity. There will be ample opportunities for maximum interaction between exhibitors and delegates during the registration period, coffee breaks, lunch and networking reception.

Space is suitable for a pop-up portable display stand or tabletop display. A table and x2 chairs will be provided. If you require any items of your stand to be built with any ladders/ electrical equipment, this must be agreed with the organizer in advance.

BENEFITS

All exhibitors will receive one free conference pass for x2 days, logo and company description in the abstract books.

COST

£1,500 + VAT for 3m x2m (space only).



CONTACT DETAILS

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