



**The 17th HGS-PESGB  
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***Big Continent, Big Ideas, Big Opportunities: Strategies for Success***

**GUIDELINES FOR ABSTRACT SUBMISSION:**

Submit your abstract for consideration as either an oral presentation or poster, by sending it, as an email attachment, to [Africa2018@hgs.org](mailto:Africa2018@hgs.org). Submissions should be sent as soon as possible and no later than March 15, 2018.

Assessment of the abstracts will be based upon the quality of the abstracts and the relevance to the suggested topics as listed below:

- *African E & P in the evolving business environment - Above Ground Risks & Rewards*
- *New and emerging exploration trends*
- *Gas and oil in N. and E Africa*
- *Developing and integrating geological concepts: Impact on exploration in Africa*
- *Big data, AI and innovative technologies applied to African E & P*
- *What we thought we knew – Exploration concepts to production reality*

**Abstracts should be:**

- Length should be a maximum of two 8 1/2" x 11" pages, and may include diagrams in color or black and white, and references. Please use Arial font, size 10, left justification alignment, and single spacing.
- Submit as either MS Word 2016/2013/2010 documents with graphics embedded in to the document.
- Each file submitted should include the principal author's surname in the file name.
- Include contact information (email address) for the principal author in the abstract.
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The principal author of submitted abstracts will be notified of the committee's decision no later than April 30, 2018.

## **ACCEPTED SUBMISSIONS:**

Each author is requested to submit a **SHORT ABSTRACT** (up to 2 pages) with an opportunity to also submit an **EXTENDED ABSTRACT** for their oral or poster presentation.

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The principal author (Speaker) of each accepted submission for oral presentations and posters will receive complimentary registration to the conference.

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The HGS will be recognising the best technical contributions with its prestigious awards; made by a respected panel of industry judges. The presentation ceremony will take place at the conference close.

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- Best Poster
- Best Oral Paper

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