

Overview

Qatar University has recently launched the Gas Processing Center with the aim of becoming a global leader addressing challenges and opportunities in the field of Gas processing. In order to complement its activities, the Gas Processing Center is organizing an Annual Technical Symposium. This annual symposium is intended to be a primary event in the area of gas processing in the world by attracting international scholars and key industry leaders. Many Keynote speakers in the field will be presenting at the symposium.

For more information about the Gas Processing Center please visit: http://www.gasprocessingcenter.com

Featured Theme

Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) is now an important addition to the world's energy supply, and is becoming an increasingly critical factor impacting both economy and environment. Qatar is one of the largest LNG producers in the world. It is estimated that Qatar will produce 77 MTPA by 2012. Being a key player in the LNG market, it is crucial that Qatar work on pushing technological frontiers and enhancing competitive operations while anticipating customer needs in the LNG industry.

In recognition of this fact, the Gas Processing Center will be launching its first annual symposium to bring together key academic and industrial players to address the various challenges related to LNG. The symposium will include oral and poster presentations, keynote speeches, workshops and an exhibition.

Other Themes

The second day will cover the following gas processing applications in parallel sessions

- Natural Gas processing and treatment
- Gas To Power and water
- Gas To Liquid (GTL)
- Gas To Petrochemicals, including olefins, ammonia and methanol

Novel contributions in gas processing are welcome with emphasis on the following areas:

- Design, including debottlenecking and retrofitting
- Operation, including plantwide control; process, supply-chain, reliability and enterprise-wide optimization
- Process Safety
- Environmental Sustainability, including clean production and efficient use of natural resources and energy
- Gas Processing Education
- Gas Processing Tools

Methodologies, applications, Case studies, results experience and tools and educational materials know how are encouraged in gas Processing.

Abstract Submissions

Interested researchers are encouraged to submit abstracts, between 300 – 500 words, no later than February 14, 2008.

All abstracts should be submitted electronically through the GPC's website: http://www.gasprocessingcenter.com

In case of difficulties with online submissions, please send your abstract by e-mail to omnia@qu.edu.qa

Publication

Proceedings will be published in a book by **Elsevier**.

Symposium Awards

The gas Processing Center Symposium will distribute awards in the following categories:

- Best Paper Award
- Engineering Student Award
- Gas Processing Center's youngsters Award

Important Dates

Abstracts submission deadline
Abstract Acceptance
Full Paper Submission
Paper Acceptance
Final Submission
February 14, 2008
April 15, 2008
June 16, 2008
August 8, 2008
August 24, 2008

Workshops

The GPC will be offering two pre-symposium workshops on January 10, 2009 on:

- LNG Technology
- Process Safety

More information about the workshops will be available soon on the website.

Exhibit

An Exhibition will take place concurrently with the symposium. There will be up to 20 exhibits of products and services that complement the symposium themed. For more information please contact us.

Symposium Program

January 10	Pre-symposium workshop
January 11	Main Theme presentation: LNG
January 12	Other contributions on gas processing (Parallel Sessions)
January 13	Plant visit to the world largest LNG plants – optional

Plenary and Keynote

Industrial leaders and academic scholars will present in the symposium. Detailed information about Plenary & Keynote sessions will soon be available on the website.

Career Fair

The symposium will promote recruitment opportunities via a mini-career fair where companies will have the chance to post available job vacancies related to gas processing.

Symposium Chairman

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