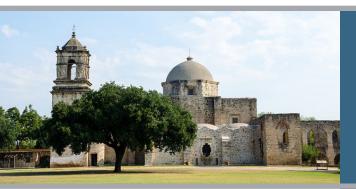# CALL FOR PAPERS
SMRI FALL 2023 TECHNICAL CONFERENCE

Join Us in San Antonio, TX, USA
Sun. 1 October – Wed. 4 October, 2023

Fall 2023 Sponsorships

Sponsorships help defray costs of hosting SMRI conferences, keep fees affordable, and allow more of member dues funds to be directed towards active research. Members or non-members may be sponsors. Orders for sponsorships are on a "first-come, first-serve" basis. More detailed information is on pages 3/4 of this document.

DIAMOND: Empire Wireline

PLATINUM: WSP USA | Wellhead Support Systems, Inc. | Sonic Survey, Inc.

GOLD: Texas Brine | RESPEC | Lonquist & CO. LLC

SILVER: Burns & McDonald | KLX Energy Services

BRONZE: CUDD Pressure Control | Double B Well Services | Patterson Services Inc. | Seal-Tite International | Thru Tubing Solutions | Agapito Associates, Inc. | Alpha Geoscience | Sabine Storage & Operations | SOCON Sonar Well Services

APP SPONSOR: Tiberius Energy Services, LLC

Technical Class

SMRI is planning an optional Technical Class titled "Hydrogen Storage Considerations" as part of the Fall Conference. More information will be provided in the Conference Announcement.

Virtual Conference

SMRI will be hosting a virtual portion of the conference. Further details regarding the virtual presentation will be detailed in the Conference Announcement.

Research Presentations

Depending on research project estimated completion dates, it is probable there will be two oral research reports presented at this conference. More information will follow in the Conference Announcement, if needed.

Schedule of Events

Technical Papers: *Important Dates and Author Deadlines*

1 May	Call for Papers released
16 June	200- to 500-word abstracts due; e-mail to Program Chair
5 July	Speakers notified of paper acceptance
12 July	Conference Announcement released
19 July	Member Conference Registration open
16 August	Non-Member Conference Registration open
18 August	Final paper copy due; e-mail to Program Chair
15 September	Conference Registration closes

Conference Schedule

1 October	Technical Class
2 October	*8:00 am–10:00 am:* Business Meeting (Members Only)
2 October	Technical Paper Presentation, day 1
3 October	Technical Paper Presentation, day 2
4 October	Technical Field Trips (2 optional choices)

(Additional Schedule to be presented in Conference Announcement)

Conference Assistance

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Call for Papers Technical Session

Important Dates and Author Deadlines

16 June   200- to 500-word abstracts due; e-mail to Program Chair.

5 July   Speakers will be notified of acceptance; provided speaker/author guidelines

18 August   Final paper copy due; e-mail to Program Chair

Papers are solicited on all aspects of solution mining and the use of caverns. Suggested topics include:

Disciplines:

- Geology
- Geophysics
- Geochemistry
- Health, safety, and environmental
- Rock mechanics and subsidence
- Drilling and well completion
- Solution mining (rock salt, potash, trona, and other salts)
- Cavern construction, monitoring, and operation
- Surface facility design, construction and operation

Technologies:

- Cavern testing and monitoring (Mechanical Integrity Test, sonar, etc.)
- Cavern sealing and abandonment
- Cavern utilization for energy storage

Applications:

- Brine production of salt, potash, trona, or other water soluble minerals
- Liquid hydrocarbon storage
- Natural gas, hydrogen, and other gases storage
- Renewable energy storage (compressed air and hydrogen)
- Regulatory affairs and best practice standards

Speakers must e-mail their proposed title with a 200- to 500-word abstract to Kurt Looff, 2023 Program Chair, by 16 June, 2023. The preliminary list of selected papers will be posted **12 July** online, with later revisions to be posted as necessary.

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Future Conferences

Any updates to the Conference Schedule will be included in the Conference Announcement.

Spring 2024   **SMRI European Conference**
21-24 Apr   Krakow, Poland

Fall 2024   **SMRI Conference**
22-25 Sept   Edmonton, Canada

Spring 2025   **SMRI European Conference**
27-30 Apr   Wllhelmshaven, Germany

Fall 2025   **SMRI Conference**
TBD   Wichita, Kansas, USA

SPONSORSHIP INFORMATION

SOLUTION MINING
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2023 Fall Conference Sponsor Opportunities: *San Antonio, Texas*

Sponsorship Level

Recognition Includes:

The bonus to these sponsorships is that your company's logo and many verbal mentions will also be part of the virtual conference the following week.

Diamond
$10,000

- Special recognition at the Monday Night Event
- Posters with logo displayed as a **Diamond Sponsor** throughout the conference, podium mentions during the technical program, listing as a **Diamond Sponsor** in the digital conference book, logo displayed and mentioned at Sunday reception, and acknowledgement of sponsorship displayed on SMRI website and social media posts through conference conclusion.
- Two free conference and dinner registrations
- Display table in the vendor area

Platinum
$7,500

- Special recognition at the Monday Night Event
- Posters with logo displayed as a **Platinum Sponsor** throughout the conference, podium mentions during the technical program, listing as a **Platinum Sponsor** in the in the digital conference book, logo displayed and mentioned at Sunday reception, and acknowledgement of sponsorship displayed on SMRI website and social media posts through conference conclusion.
- One free conference and dinner registration
- Display table in the vendor area

Gold
$5,000

- Posters with logo displayed as a **Gold Sponsor** throughout the conference, podium mentions during the technical program, listing as a **Gold Sponsor** in the digital conference book, logo displayed and mentioned at Sunday reception, and acknowledgement of sponsorship displayed on SMRI website and social media posts through conference conclusion.
- One free conference registration
- Display table in the vendor area

Silver
$2,500

- Posters with logo displayed as a **Silver Sponsor** throughout the conference, podium mentions during the technical program, listing as a **Silver Sponsor** in the digital conference book, logo displayed and mentioned at Sunday reception, and acknowledgement of sponsorship displayed on SMRI website and social media posts through conference conclusion.
- May apply for a display table in the vendor area for a reduced rate of $500

Conference App
$1,500

- Logo displayed on the conference app, listing as the Conference App Sponsor in the digital conference book, logo displayed and mentioned throughout the conference, and acknowlegement of sponsorship displayed on SMRI website and social media through conference conclusion.

Bronze
$1,000

- Posters with logo displayed as a **Bronze Sponsor** throughout the conference, podium mentions during the technical program, listing as a **Bronze Sponsor** in the digital conference book, logo displayed and mentioned at Sunday reception, and acknowledgement of sponsorship displayed on SMRI website and social media posts through conference conclusion.
- May apply for a display table in the vendor area for a reduced rate of $500

EXHIBIT SPACE INFORMATION

SMRI is offering exhibit table space for companies to set up displays at the San Antonio meeting in October 2023. Gold, Platinum, and Diamond sponsors will receive space as part of their sponsorship. Bronze and Silver Sponsors can reserve space for a reduced fee. Exhibit space is limited and will be given first to Diamond, Gold, and Platinum sponsors and for others on a "first-come first-served" basis.

Exhibit Table

$1,000

Table Space does not come with Conference registration. Exhibitor will be required to register for event through the SMRI web site. Please provide any special requirement and we will try to honor (e.g. electrical). Exhibitors will not be included in the sponsorship recognition throughout the event.

Bonus: your company's exhibit table can also be part of the virtual conference platform.

Bronze or Silver Sponsor Exhibit Table

$500

Exhibit Table is discounted 50% for **Bronze** and **Silver Sponsors.** Table Space does not come with Conference registration. Exhibitor will be required to register for event through the SMRI web site. Please provide any special requirement and we will try to honor (e.g. electrical). Exhibitors will not be included in the sponsorship recognition throughout the event.

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Conference App Sponsor

$1,500

Conference App Sponsor will have their logo highlighted on the home page of the conference mobile app. Sponsor will also be listed in the printed conference documents and on the SMRI web site.

Bonus: your company's logo can also be part of the virtual conference platform.

There are limited numbers of sponsorships at each level. Requests for 'standing orders' of sponsorship levels may be made only by members, for future spring, fall, or both conferences.

For proper recognition in conference posters and on SMRI's website, a high resolution .jpg or graphics file of your corporate logo, (maximum of one logo per sponsor, please,) must be provided as early as possible.

FALL CONFERENCE SPONSOR SIGNUP DEADLINE IS 1 September 2023. Starting about 15 May, we will have a list of fall conference sponsors on the SMRI website. Conference Announcement will feature a final list of sponsors, and will be emailed and posted about 12 July.

Sponsorship payment is required one month before the start of the conference.

SMRI is unable to allow advertising at our conferences, as it would jeopardize our non-profit organization status. Accordingly, SMRI will avoid any appearance of endorsement of any company or product, which will also ensure fairness to all SMRI Members. For purposes of this policy, 'advertising' includes, but is not limited to, banners, signs or booths.

Exhibit Hours

Set-up Sunday, 1 October
Times TBD

Monday, 2 October
8:00 am – 5:00 pm

Tuesday, 3 October
10:00 am – 3:30 pm

Tear down Tuesday, 3 October
3:30 pm – 5:00 pm

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2023 Conference Sponsorship Form

SOLUTION MINING RESEARCH INSTITUTE
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Fall 2023: *San Antonio, Texas*

Sponsor Level:
(check one)

Price is for one conference

Diamond *$10,000*	Platinum *$7,500*	Gold *$5,000*
Silver *$2,500*	Silver w/table *$3,000*	
Bronze *$1,000*	Bronze w/table *$1,500*	
Exhibit Table *$1,000*	Conference App Sponsor *$1,500*	

Conference(s) to Sponsor

San Antonio, Texas, USA

Company:

Contact Person's Name:

Email Address:

Phone:

Invoice Address (include e-mail address):

Do you want us to use your corporate logo?   Yes   No

For us to publicize your corporate logo in conference materials, we need a high resolution.jpg or graphics file of your corporate logo, minimum file size about 150 KB) must be sent via e-mail as soon as possible. Starting about 15 May for San Antonio, we plan to feature the sponsor logos and list on the SMRI website.

Special Instructions or Requests (must comply with 2023 sponsor policy):

Date: Signed:

Invoicing and payment will be available on your SMRI website account, starting 10 July, after online invoicing setup by SMRI's accounting firm. Payment assistance is available at *accounting@solutionmining.org*

Please return completed sponsor form to:
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