CALL FOR PAPERS

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

(Additional schedule to be presented in Conference Announcement)

technical papers important dates & author deadlines

3 MAY	Call for Papers Released				
11 JUNE	200- to 500- word Abstracts Due; Email to Program Chair				
28 JUNE	Speakers Notified of Paper Acceptance				
9 JULY	Conference Announcement Released				
10 JULY	Member Registration Starts				
14 AUG	Non-Member Registration Starts				
23 AUG	Final Paper Due; Email to Program Chair				
6 SEPT	Registration Closes				

conference schedule

22 SEPT	Technical Class
23 SEPT	Business Meeting (Members Only)
23 SEPT	Technical Paper Presentation, Day 1
24 SEPT	Technical Paper Presentation, Day 2
25 SEPT	Technical Field Trips (2 optional choices)

FUTURE CONFERENCES

Spring 2025

27-30 April Wilhelmshaven, Germany Fall 2025

28 Sept - 2 Oct Wichita, Kansas, USA

Spring 2026

TBD Lyon, France

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TECHNICAL

SMRI is planning an optional Technical Class titled "Introduction to Solution Mining" as part of the Fall 2024 Conference. More information will be provided in the Conference Announcement.

RESEARCH PRESENTATIONS

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

VIRTUAL CONFERENCE

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

> SPONSORSHIP INFORMATION

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.

Fall 2024 sponsorships are now open!

Please call or email Dawn (918-914-2449) with questions regarding sponsorships. Sponsors can now complete the online form (click button below) to apply for sponsorships.



TECHNICAL SESSION

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

DISCIPLINES

- Geology
- Geophysics
- Geochemistry
- Health, Safety, & Environmental
- Rock Mechanics & Subsidence
- Drilling & Well Completion
- Solution Mining (rock salt, potash, trona, & other salts)
- Cavern Construction, Monitoring, & Operation
- Surface Facility Design, Construction & Operation

TECHNOLOGIES

- Cavern Testing & Monitoring
 (Mechanical Integrity Test, Sonar, etc.)
- Cavern Sealing & Abandonment
- Cavern Utilization for Energy Storage

APPLICATIONS

- Brine Production (salt, potash, trona, or other water soluble minerals)
- Liquid Hydrocarbon Storage
- Natural Gas, Hydrogen, & Other Gases Storage
- Renewable Energy Storage (compressed air & hydrogen)
- Regulatory Affairs & Best Practice Standards

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28 JUNE Speakers notified of paper acceptance

23 AUGUST

Final paper copy due; e-mail to Program Chair

Call for Papers & Conference Announcement by:

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SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES



All sponsors will be recognized SMRI website and social media posts through conference conclusion, as well as, on various platforms during the conference. Please call or email Dawn (918-914-2449 or dawnl@solutionmining.org) with questions regarding sponsorships.

Sponsorship Level*	DIAMOND Sponsor	PLATINUM Sponsor	GOLD Sponsor	SILVER Sponsor	CONFERENCE APP Sponsor	BRONZE Sponsor
Cost	\$10,000	\$7,500	\$5,000	\$2,500	\$1,500	\$1,000
Registrations	2 free conference & dinner registrations - or - 4 exhibitor registrations	1 free conference & dinner registration - or - 2 exhibitor registrations	1 free conference & dinner registration - or - 1 exhibitor registration	_	_	_
Exhibitor tables				Reduced Rate: \$500**	_	Reduced Rate: \$750**
Logo & sponsorship level displayed on posters during conference		•		€	</td <td>€</td>	€
Technical program podium mentions					\bigcirc	•
Sponsorship level listing in digital conference book				€	\bigcirc	€
Logo displayed and mentioned at Sunday reception				€	\bigcirc	€
Sponsorship level listed on SMRI website				$\displaystyle $	\bigcirc	↔
Social media posts				€	\bigcirc	€

* All sponsorships also include your company's logo and many verbal mentions during the virtual conference the following week.

** Includes registration for 1 exhibitor not attending conference; additional nonconference exhibitors: \$200/person

*** Conference App Sponsor logo also prominently included on Conference App.

EXHIBITOR INFORMATION



SMRI is offering exhibit table space for companies to set up displays at the Edmonton, Canada, meeting in September 2024. Exhibit space is limited and will be reserved first to **Diamond**, **Gold**, and **Platinum** sponsors and for others on a "firstcome first-served" basis.

- Exhibitor table space does *not* come with conference registration.
- Exhibitors are required to register for event through the SMRI website.
- Cost per nonconference exhibitor is \$200 (covers cost of meals, snacks and ice breaker).
- Please provide any special requirements in advance and we will try to honor (e.g. electrical).
- Exhibitors will not be included in the event sponsorship recognition.
- Your company's exhibit table can also be part of the virtual conference platform.

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Exhibit TableSilver Sponsor
Exhibit TableGold/Platinum/Diamond
Sponsor Exhibit Table\$1000\$750\$500\$0*

Sponsors must apply via the <u>SMRI website</u>. Requests for 'standing orders' of sponsorship levels may be made only by members for future 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) must be provided as early as possible.

FALL CONFERENCE SPONSOR SIGNUP DEADLINE IS 15 August 2024. Starting about 15 June, we will have a list of conference sponsors on the SMRI website. Conference Announcement (emailed and posted about 9 July) will feature a current list of sponsors.

Sponsorship payment required no later than one month before conference start.

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, 22 SEPT Times TBD

MONDAY, 23 SEPT 8:00 am - 5:00 pm

TUESDAY, 24 SEPT 8:00 am - 3:30 pm

Tear Down TUESDAY, 24 SEPT 3:30 pm – 5:00 pm

for more information or sponsorship forms:

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