

CALL FOR PAPERS

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SMRI FALL 2025

WICHITA, KS | USA

SEPT 28 - OCT 1

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

(Additional schedule to be presented in Conference Announcement)

technical papers *important dates & author deadlines*

5 MAY	Call for Papers Released
13 JUNE	200- to 500- word abstracts due; email to Program Chair
2 JULY	Speakers notified of paper acceptance
14 JULY	Conference Announcement released
16 JULY	Member Registration Starts
13 AUG	Non-Member Registration Starts
22 AUG	Final paper due; e-mail to Program Chair
10 SEPT	Registration Closes

conference schedule

28 SEPT	Technical Class
29 SEPT	Business Meeting (Members Only)
29 SEPT	Technical Paper Presentation, Day 1
30 SEPT	Technical Paper Presentation, Day 2
1 OCT	Technical Field Trips (2 optional choices)

FUTURE CONFERENCES

Spring 2026

26-29 April
Edinburgh, Scotland

Fall 2026

27-30 September
West Yellowstone, MT, USA

Spring 2027

25-28 April
Lyon, France

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TECHNICAL CLASS

SMRI is planning an optional Technical Class titled "Logging for Cavern Applications" as part of the Fall 2025 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 oral research reports 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 2025 sponsorships are now open!

Contact Rachel Cunningham (+1 713 724 3342 or rcunningham@solutionmining.org) with questions regarding sponsorships. Sponsors can now complete the online form (click button below) to apply.

[CLICK HERE FOR ONLINE SPONSORSHIP REGISTRATION FORM](#)



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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SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES



All sponsors will be recognized on SMRI website and social media posts through conference conclusion, as well as, on various platforms during the conference. Please call or email Rachel Cunningham (+1 713 724 3342 or rcunningham@solutionmining.org) with questions regarding sponsorships.

Sponsorship Level*	HOMETOWN HERO SPONSOR	ICE BREAKER SPONSOR	DIAMOND SPONSOR	PLATINUM SPONSOR	GOLD SPONSOR	SILVER SPONSOR	CONFERENCE APP SPONSOR	BRONZE SPONSOR
Cost	\$15,000	\$12,500	\$10,000	\$7,500	\$5,000	\$2,500	\$1,500	\$1,000
Registrations	4 free conference & dinner registrations	3 free conference & dinner registrations	2 free conference & dinner registrations - or - 4 exhibitor & dinner registrations	1 free conference & dinner registration - or - 2 exhibitor & dinner registrations	1 free conference & dinner registration	—	—	—
Exhibitor tables						Reduced Rate: \$500**	—	Reduced Rate: \$750**
Logo & sponsorship level displayed on posters during conference							*** 	
Technical program podium mentions								
Sponsorship level listing in digital conference book								
Logo displayed and mentioned at Sunday reception								
Sponsorship level listed on SMRI website								
Social media posts								

* 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: \$250/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 Wichita, Kansas, USA, meeting in September 2025. Exhibit space is limited and will be reserved first to **Hometown Hero, Diamond, Platinum,** and **Gold** sponsors and for others on a “first-come 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 \$250 (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.

Exhibit Table

\$1000

Bronze Sponsor Exhibit Table

\$750

Silver Sponsor Exhibit Table

\$500

Gold/Platinum/Diamond / Hometown Hero Sponsor Exhibit Table

\$0*

Sponsors must apply via the [SMRI website](#). 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 2025. Starting about 13 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 endorse sponsors 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.

exhibit hours

Set-Up

SUNDAY, 28 SEPT

To Be Determined

MONDAY, 29 SEPT

8:00 am – 5:00 pm

TUESDAY, 30 SEPT

8:00 am – 3:30 pm

Tear Down

TUESDAY, 30 SEPT

3:30 pm – 5:00 pm

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