# CALL FOR PAPERS

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# SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

(Additional schedule to be presented in Conference Announcement)

#### technical papers important dates & author deadlines

<b>10 DECEMBER</b>	Call for Papers Released			
19 JANUARY	200- to 500- word abstracts due; email to Program Chair			
2 FEBRUARY	Speakers notified of paper acceptance			
9 FEBRUARY	Conference Announcement released			
<b>14 FEBRUARY</b>	Member Registration Starts			
13 MARCH	Non-Member Registration Starts			
15 MARCH	Final paper due; e-mail to Program Chair			
5 APRIL	Registration Closes			

#### conference schedule

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

### **FUTURE CONFERENCES**

**Spring 2025** 

Fall 2024

22-25 Sept Edmonton, Canada **27-30 April** Wilhelmshaven, Germany

#### Fall 2025

28 Sept - 1 Oct Wichita, Kansas, USA

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## > TECHNICAL CLASS

SMRI is planning an optional Technical Class titled "Hydrogen Storage Considerations" as part of the Spring 2024 Conference. More information will be provided in the Conference Announcement.

## RESEARCH PRESENTATIONS

Depending on research project estimated completion dates, it is anticipated that one oral research report will be presented. 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.

#### Spring 2024 sponsorships are now open!

Please call or email Dawn (918-914-2117) or Jennifer (346-459-9654) 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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#### Call for Papers & Conference Announcement by:

**CLICK HERE FOR ONLINE SPONSORSHIP REGISTRATION FORM** 

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# **SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES**



#### DIAMOND SPONSOR > \$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 or four exhibitor registrations
- Exhibitor table in the vendor area

#### PLATINUM SPONSOR ➤ \$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 or two exhibitor registrations
- Exhibitor table in the vendor area

#### GOLD SPONSOR ➤ \$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 or one exhibitor registration
- Exhibitor table in the vendor area

#### SILVER SPONSOR ➤ \$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.
- Reduced rate exhibitor table in the vendor area: \$500 (includes registration for one exhibitor not attending the conference). Additional nonconference exhibitors: \$200/person.

#### 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.
- Reduced rate exhibitor table in the vendor area:
  \$750 (includes registration for one exhibitor not attending the conference). Additional nonconference exhibitors: \$200/person.

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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				<b>Reduced</b> <b>Rate:</b> \$500**	_	<b>Reduced</b> <b>Rate:</b> \$750**
Monday Night Event Recognition			_	_	_	_
Logo & sponsorship level displayed on posters during conference		$\bigcirc$		€	!	€
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					$\bigcirc$	♦

\* 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 Krakow, Poland, meeting in April 2024. Exhibit space is limited and will be reserved first to **Diamond**, **Gold**, and **Platinum** 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 \$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.

# Exhibit<br/>TableBronze Sponsor<br/>Exhibit TableSilver Sponsor<br/>Exhibit TableGold/Platinum/Diamond<br/>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.

**SPRING CONFERENCE SPONSOR SIGNUP DEADLINE IS 15 March 2024.** Starting about 15 January, we will have a list of conference sponsors on the SMRI website. Conference Announcement (emailed and posted about 14 February) will feature a final 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, 21 APRIL Times TBD

**MONDAY, 22 APRIL** 8:00 am – 5:00 pm

**TUESDAY, 23 APRIL** 10:00 am - 3:30 pm

**Tear Down TUESDAY, 23 APRIL** 3:30 pm – 5:00 pm

### contact

for more information or sponsorship forms:

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