

June estimate of 2,000 registrations is exceeded

More than 2,000 executives from the world over have already registered for the Congress, topping the goal set by the Brazilian Organising Committee. At the current registration pace, it is expected that there will be more than 3,000 delegates from 90 countries taking part in the event in September. All will come with basically the same expectations: to interact with other executives, to discuss the directions of the international market, to become acquainted with Brazilian technical expertise, and to clinch new business deals.

John Mihm, vice president of Technology & Development Projects of Phillips Petroleum, is looking forward to arriving in Rio. Mihm, who will be in the company of 20 other Phillips employees, wants to learn about the latest in the management of deepwater exploration techniques and the development of technologies that tie the increase in the performance of oil and gas E&P units to practices aiming at achieving sustainable development. "The oil

industry should constantly seek to achieve excellence, observing all aspects and consequences of the activities it executes."

Saleh Al-Dawas, manager of Research Description and Simulation at Saudi Aramco, will come to the Congress to update his knowledge. "The WPC is the largest conference of the oil industry and this will be an excellent opportunity to improve my understanding of sector policies." Saudi Aramco will be represented by 40 executives.

All delegates will be entitled to attend all plenary sessions and technical presentations, the latter adding up to more than 300. Delegates will receive a complimentary kit worth US\$ 1,300 containing, among other materials, the Congress' official publication, a CD-ROM with the pre-prints of the technical programme, a book with a summary of the presentations to be given, four technical wall maps published by Petroleum Cartographic and an art book with 360° photographs of Rio de Janeiro.

The most recent registration requests:

Petrobras – 570 delegates
Russia – 200 delegates
China – 69 delegates
Algeria – 32 delegates
India – 30 delegates

There are three ways to register:

- Online: www.wpc2002.com
- Via fax: (+55 21) 2527-6297
- Via regular mail: 17º Congresso Mundial de Petróleo, Rua Conde de Irajá, 260/2º andar – Botafogo – 22271-020 – Rio de Janeiro/RJ – Brasil.

If you have questions, send an e-mail message to wpcregistration@jz.com.br or call the Congress Call Centre: (+55 21) 2539-2706.

Passport and entry visa

Participants are strongly advised to make sure they fulfill all legal requirements to enter Brazil. Besides a valid passport, an entry visa may also be required. Please check with your nearest Brazilian Consulate.

Please bear in mind that the Registration Brochure and our Website (www.wpc2002.com) list additional procedures needed to enter Brazil.

Why take part in the 17th WPC:

"It is always good to assess investment tendencies and opportunities."
Richard Sandahl, *President of Enbridge, Canada.*

"I'm mainly interested in technological advances in refining, and I would like to bring my knowledge in the downstream up to date."
Lars Nelson, *President and CEO of Preem Petroleum, Sweden.*

"I would like to listen to the assessments made by the sector's world leaders. I would also like to attract new partners for exploring wells in my country."
Funsho Lawal, *Chairman of Sogenal Oil & Gas, Nigeria.*

"The Congress will afford me the opportunity to meet with gas company executives and to clinch new business deals."
Philippe Morel, *manager of New Business of TotalFinaElf Bolivia.*

"For me and my work pals it is a privileged opportunity for improving our business networking and to learn from the majors' technical experience."
Michel Bayle, *executive vice president of Gaz de France*

