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As 2007 is coming to an end, it is my pleasure to share with you some of the achievements of our great team.

The 19th WPC Organising Committee has travelled extensively to promote the Congress at some of the industry's leading events; among other places the team visited Houston, Buenos Aires, Kuala Lumpur, New Delhi, Rome and Qatar which brought a lot of interest from companies worldwide. We also held the Official Presentation here in Madrid supported by the Mayor.

The Congress Technical Programme has attracted unprecedented international response. Following the closing date of the Call for Papers the Programme Committee had received over 1,900 abstracts from delegates, which shows that the international interest has far exceeded our expectations.

The Congress next year will also include the active participation of young professionals and students, who, in the future will be the leaders of our industry. Among other activities to promote youth participation, the WPC and the Spanish Organising Committee have offered 50 grants to students from around the world, which will give students will have the opportunity to attend the Congress free of charge. The youth programme will also include other activities such as the Youth Centre Stand, the Youth Special Session, and the Students Programme.

For the first time in its history, the World Petroleum Congress will be held jointly with the World Petroleum Exhibition and the Global Business Opportunities Centre. Some 80% of space has already been reserved showing an unparalleled interest in the exhibitions.

December 31st is the deadline for the early registration discounts for the Congress. This date also marks the conclusion of an intense and productive year that, during one week, will make Madrid the capital of the oil and gas industry.

Last but not least I want to thank our sponsors, partners, promoters, institutions, members of the media and our team for their trust and collaboration.

Season's Greetings and best wishes for 2008,

Juan Bachiller,
Vice Chair
Spanish Organising Committee



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