As autumn approaches, the various Divisions of, and Local Societies affiliated to, the IOM3 are finalising the programmes of meetings for 2018/19. Upcoming meetings relevant to the Oil & Gas Division are listed on the home page of the Division microsite. These are an ideal opportunity to network as well as expand or keep your technical knowledge up-to-date. Attendance at such events can count towards to continuing professional development (CPD).

NEWS YOU MAY HAVE MISSED – AUGUST 2018

Summary of news items published by the Oil & Gas Division over the last few months. Click on the link to take you to the website for the full article.

THE OGA PUBLISHES TWO REPORTS TO SHARE INDUSTRY KNOWLEDGE ON TECHNICAL SOLUTIONS FOR MER UK

5 APRIL 2018

‘UKCS Technology Insights’ and ‘SNS Salting Study’ reports out now

IADC COMPETENCE ASSURANCE PROGRAM TO BE UPDATED

2 May 2018

Accreditation Division is currently working with industry and IADC Competence SME auditors to grow the program and include new industry best practices

WCI PUBLISHES COMPETENCY WHITEPAPER

2 May 2018

The Well Control Institute (WCI) Board of Directors has approved the publication of a whitepaper developed by the WCI Competency Workgroup titled “The Status and Future of Well Control Competencies.”
IODP-IPETCA published document provides a summary of the 2016 guidance document Biodiversity and ecosystem services fundamentals. It delivers key recommendations and outlines the guidance for the management of biodiversity and ecosystem services (BES) impacts, dependencies, risks and opportunities in the oil and gas sector.

OIL & GAS TECHNOLOGY CENTRE 2017 ANNUAL REVIEW

The Oil & Gas Technology Centre has published its Annual Review 2017, highlighting progress and delivery in the 12 months since it was launched last February.

MER UK ANNUAL UPDATE 2017

Annual update summarising the work of the MER UK Task Forces and Steering Group.

OGIC FUNDED PROJECTS ARE ESTIMATED TO GENERATE MORE THAN 500 JOBS AND DELIVER UP TO £855 MILLION GVA BY 2023.

That is according to an independent study by consultancy Optimat looking at OGIC’s support of research and development work.

RETENTION OF INFORMATION AND SAMPLES GUIDANCE

Regulations governing the retention of petroleum-related information and samples laid in parliament by the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy (BEIS) came into force on 14 May 2018.
ENSURING SUCCESSFUL PLANNING AND DELIVERY OF FUTURE OIL AND GAS FIELD PROJECTS
21 May 2018

Newly updated guidance has been published to support industry to successfully deliver the next generation of UK oil and gas field developments.

DECOMMISSIONING ON THE UK SHELF - AN OVERVIEW OF REGULATIONS
23 May 2018

Bureau Veritas has launched new guidelines for removal of oil and gas assets.

OGA ANNOUNCES TRANSFORMATIONAL 30TH OFFSHORE LICENSING ROUND AWARDS
23 May 2018

Expecting this round to lead very quickly to activity, providing a welcome boost...

MAJOR INVESTMENT IN GLOBAL SUBSEA CAMPUS ANNOUNCED
30 May 2018

£31million investment to create an ambitious new state-of-the-art subsea manufacturing Centre of Excellence

THE LEGACY OF PIPER ALPHA - DIALOGUE
13 Jun 2018

The Petroleum Safety Authority have dedicated the latest edition of "Dialogue" to Piper Alpha
UK AND NORWAY TECHNOLOGY HACKATHON - OUTPUT REPORT
18 Jun 2018

This report is the output from two hackathon events in November 2017

CHURCH AND UNIVERSITY SPEAK OUT AGAINST THE NORTH SEA
1 Jul 2018

Following dissent from the University of Edinburgh and the Church of Scotland, Khai Trung Le looks at support for the North Sea within the country.

WHAT LIES BENEATH
1 Jul 2018

A new method for processing data from seismic surveys could help give a more detailed view of underground oil reserves, as Ellis Davies reports.

PETROLEUM SAFETY AUTHORITY NORWAY RELEASES NEW MEMORANDUM ON RISK MANAGEMENT
2 Jul 2018

The memorandum on integrated and unified risk management in the petroleum industry aims to help companies continue developing their own activities in this area.

UK NATIONAL STANDARD FOR MARINE OIL SPILL RESPONSE ORGANISATIONS
2 Jul 2018

Introduced after a consultation with industry on the creation of a UK national standard for Oil Spill Response Organisations between January and March 2018, the standard contains up-to-date best practice guidance for organisations delivering Tier 2 spill response services in the UK. Applicability of this standard extends to all offshore installations on the UK Continental Shelf.
31ST OFFSHORE LICENSING ROUND OPENS UP HIGH-IMPACT FRONTIER REGIONS
11 Jul 2018

The Oil and Gas Authority (OGA) has launched the 31st Offshore Licensing Round, offering blocks in frontier areas of the UK Continental Shelf (UKCS), supported by government-funded data to stimulate interest in these under-explored basins and assist companies in their activities.

OIL RIGS MAY END THEIR DAYS AS VALUABLE ARTIFICIAL REEFS
13 Jul 2018

Researchers encourage environmental authorities across the globe to rethink the idea of removing oil rigs, wind turbines, and other installations in the sea when they are worn out.

ADDITIONAL 12 MILLION BARRELS GAINED FROM IMPROVEMENTS TO PRODUCTION EFFICIENCY
17 Jul 2018

UKCS production efficiency (PE) has risen for a fifth consecutive year

CUADRILLA COMPLETES UK’S SECOND SHALE GAS HORIZONTAL WELL
17 Jul 2018

Cuadrilla has successfully completed drilling the UK’s second horizontal shale gas well at its exploration site at Preston New Road in Lancashire

CARBON CAPTURE, USEAGE AND STORAGE TASKFORCE REPORT - DELIVERING CLEAN GROWTH
23 Jul 2018

The CCUS Cost Challenge Task Force presented a report to government setting out the industry’s view on how best to progress CCUS in the UK in order to enable the UK to have the option of deploying CCUS at scale during the 2030s, subject to costs coming down sufficiently

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GUIDANCE ON REQUIREMENTS FOR THE PLANNING FOR CESSATION OF PRODUCTION

31 Jul 2018

The Oil & Gas Authority has published guidance on CoP

DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION AND SAMPLES REGULATIONS

13 Aug 2018

New regulations come into force today, 13 August 2018

GOOGLE STREET VIEW TOUR OF AN OFFSHORE INSTALLATION

13 Aug 2018

Life on board a North Sea oil platform can now be explored from the comfort of your sofa as the world’s first Google Street View tour of an offshore installation has been launched.

WHAT IS FRACKING

13 Aug 2018

Overview of fracking process and the applicable onshore England regulations.

IOGP SAFETY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS - PROCESS SAFETY EVENTS - DATA AND SUPPLEMENTAL NARRATIVES NOW AVAILABLE

14 Aug 2018

The International Association of Oil & Gas Producers (IOGP) have published two new reports.

OGA PUBLISHES "SATISFACTORY EXPECTED RETURNS"

23 Aug 2018

Satisfactory Expected Commercial Return guidance published
100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE FIRST UK OIL WELL SPUD

23 Aug 2018

UK oil industry 100 years old

THE ROYAL SOCIETY OF EDINBURGH ENTERPRISE FELLOWSHIPS

27 Aug 2018

RSE Enterprise Fellowship Programme is open to promising business ideas.