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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.

UNIVERSITY OF STRATHCLYDE OIL & GAS INSTITUTE NEWS, DECEMBER 2017

3 Jan 2018

The University of Strathclyde's Oil & Gas Institute has published its December newsletter

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UKCS OPERATING COSTS DECREASE BY 14% IN 2016, FALLING FOR SECOND CONSECUTIVE YEAR

15 Dec 2017

Operating costs in the UK Continental Shelf (UKCS) dropped by 14% in 2016 with operators securing approximately £1.1 billion reductions in operating expenditure (OPEX).

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£2MILLION AVAILABLE FOR NEW IDEAS

14 Dec 2017

The Oil and Gas Technology Centre (OGTC) is ready to provide a further boost to the North Sea by investing another £2million through its latest "calls for ideas".

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CONSULTATION ON “SATISFACTORY EXPECTED COMMERCIAL RETURN” SAFEGUARD (SECR)

14 Dec 2017

The Oil and Gas Authority (OGA) has launched a consultation on the OGA’s approach to assessing the “satisfactory expected commercial return” (SECR) safeguard as set out in the MER UK Strategy.

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SUBSEA UK AND SCOTTISH ENTERPRISE LAUNCH £15MILLION R&D FUNDING CALL FOR UNDERWATER INNOVATION

7 Dec 2017

Industry body Subsea UK in partnership with Scottish Enterprise has today announced that it has opened an R&D funding call for innovation projects to drive forward research and development projects between Scotland and Japan that will help solve the industry’s most complex technological challenges.

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RGU LAUNCHES WORLD-FIRST DECOMMISSIONING SIMULATOR

7 Dec 2017

Aberdeen’s Robert Gordon University (RGU) has launched a state-of-the-art decommissioning simulator to service the growing sector.

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ENVIRONMENTAL GUIDELINES RECOMMEND MORE FLEXIBLE APPROACH TO DECOMMISSIONING

7 Dec 2017

Guidelines providing practical advice on the environmental issues surrounding the development of decommissioning programmes have been launched by Decom North Sea.

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YOUNG PERSONS LECTURE COMPETITION 2018

1 Dec 2017

Announcement - Young Persons Lecture Competition 2018

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IOM3/ICORR JOINT TECHNICAL MEETING

30 Nov 2017

Corrosion under insulation

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NEW GOVERNMENT-FUNDED 'FRONTIER' EXPLORATION DATA NOW AVAILABLE

27 Nov 2017

The Oil and Gas Authority today released the results of the £20 million UK Government-Funded seismic programme to promote exploration activity in under-explored areas of UK Continental Shelf. This data will support the forthcoming 31 st Offshore Licensing Round which will open in mid-2018.

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STRONG RESPONSE TO 30TH OFFSHORE LICENSING ROUND

22 Nov 2017

The United Kingdom's latest offshore licensing round has attracted 96 applications covering 239 blocks in the main oil and gas producing areas of the UK Continental Shelf (UKCS). Applications were received from 68 companies ranging from multinationals to new country entrants.

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£19 MILLION GOVERNMENT INVESTMENT IN NOC TECHNOLOGY ANNOUNCED

15 Nov 2017

The government this week announced an investment of over £19 million into NOC platforms and sensor development through the Industrial Strategy Challenge Fund (ISCF).

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OIL AND GAS DIVISION UNIVERSITY SEMINAR

14 Nov 2017

The Oil and Gas Division offers seminars from practising Engineers to support and compliment University and College courses. <http://www.iom3.org/oil-gas-division>

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CONSULTATION ON FUNDING A UK NATIONAL DATA REPOSITORY THROUGH THE OGA LEVY

13 Nov 2017

The Oil and Gas Authority (OGA) is seeking views from the UK oil and gas industry on the establishment of a United Kingdom National Data Repository (NDR), which would be funded through the OGA levy payable by all offshore petroleum licensees.

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THE OGA PUBLISHES 'UK OIL AND GAS RESERVES AND RESOURCES' REPORT

2 Nov 2017

The UK's petroleum reserves remain at a significant level which could sustain production for at least the next 20 years; and beyond if additional undeveloped resources can be matured.

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EVERYDAY HYDROCARBON PRODUCTS SHOWCASED IN DRILLING MATTERS

2 Nov 2017

New modules on IADC's DrillingMatters.org provides details the myriad products both trivial and critical that are based on hydrocarbons, and showcasing the industry's solid environmental record.

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OIL AND GAS UK PUBLISHES WORKFORCE REPORT 2017

2 Nov 2017

Oil and Gas UK recently published its Workforce Report 2017, which provides demographics data to complement the employment figures published in its Economic Report 2017

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BLOWOUT PREVENTION SYSTEM EVENTS AND EQUIPMENT COMPONENT FAILURES

2 Nov 2017

The Bureau of Transportation Statistics, which has been designated as the data repository for BSEE, has published its first report on "Blowout Prevention System Events and Equipment Component Failures." The 2016 report, which includes data required to be reported by the Well Control Rule, covers the period when the rule went into effect on 28th July to 31st December, 2016.

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OGA PUBLISHES LESSONS LEARNED FROM POLYMER ENHANCED OIL RECOVERY TECHNOLOGY

23 Oct 2017

The Oil and Gas Authority (OGA) has published a comprehensive lessons learned document to help encourage oil and gas operators to use polymer technology to enhance oil recovery (EOR) from UK oil fields.

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