March 9 - 13, 2020

International Oil & Gas Contracts and Negotiations Core Course

Pestana Palace
Lisbon, Portugal
The Association of International Petroleum Negotiators (AIPN) is the leading professional membership organization of commercial negotiators and energy lawyers in the international oil & gas industry, serving more than 3,200 professionals in some 110 countries. AIPN develops petroleum model contracts that are widely used throughout the industry, provides educational seminars and conferences around the world, publishes leading research on emerging energy issues and is the premier forum for dialogue on oil and gas transactions amongst companies, government and their advisors.

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The above room rates are inclusive of an American buffet breakfast in the main restaurant and Wi-Fi internet access. Room rates are also inclusive of taxes and service (except the city tax, currently €2 per person per night). Room rates will apply up to three days before and three days after the course, subject to availability.

Reservations
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Location
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CLE Credits
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Monday, March 9, 2020

08:20 – 08:30  Introduction and Opening Remarks
       Ajuda II & III

08:30 – 09:00  Overview of International Industry
       Special Presenter
       Bill Cline, Senior Advisor, Gaffney, Cline & Associates; AIPN President

09:00 – 10:30  Confidentiality & Bidding Agreement Issues
       Reeder & Cascio
       • AIPN Model Form Confidentiality Agreement, which provides protection for valuable information and data that is shared with another company
       • AIPN Model Form International Study and Bid Group Agreement, which addresses the sharing of information and data, and other issues in creating a bidding group to acquire rights

10:30 – 10:45  Refreshment Break

10:45 – 12:00  Anti-Bribery, Corruption Laws and Sanctions Issues
       Cascio
       • Combatting bribery and corruption in international business transactions through a variety of treaties, conventions, and laws
       • Business ethics and the principles found in anti-bribery and corruption laws
       • Traps for the unwary

12:00 – 13:30  Hosted Lunch
       Ajuda I

13:30 – 14:30  International Dispute Resolution
       Derman
       • Successful resolution of disputes between parties
       • International arbitration -- an impartial private method of resolving disputes
       • The specific clause required in a granting instrument to have access to the chosen dispute resolution method and enforce the resulting decision

14:30 – 14:45  Refreshment Break

14:45 – 15:45  Service Agreement Issues
       Cascio & Sullivan
       • Services provided by service companies in support of the petroleum operations under granting instruments
       • Examination of the main issues in service instruments, including warranty and cross-indemnity provisions

15:45 – 17:00  Granting Instrument Issues
       Josefson & Derman
       • Concessions
       • Production sharing agreements
       • Service agreements
       • Joint ventures

17:00 – 18:30  Welcome Reception
       Blue Room - Luis XV

Tuesday, March 10, 2020

08:30 – 10:00  Granting Instrument Issues (continued)

10:00 – 10:30  Refreshment Break

10:30 – 12:00  Granting Instruments Issues (continued)

12:00 – 13:30  Hosted Lunch
       Ajuda I

13:30 – 15:00  Granting Instruments Issues (continued)

15:00 – 15:30  Refreshment Break

15:30 – 17:00  Unconventional Resource Issues
       Cascio & Reeder
       • Developments which have brought unconventional oil and gas resources into focus in many parts of the world
       • Unique issues involved in the exploration and exploitation of unconventional resources
       • How these projects differ from exploration and exploitation of conventional oil and gas resources

Wednesday, March 11, 2020

08:30 – 10:00  Joint Operating Agreement Issues
       Sullivan & Reeder
       • Establishing the rights, duties, and obligations of coventurers in the same oil and gas contract area
       • AIPN 2012 Model Form International Operating Agreement
       • AIPN Accounting Procedure

10:00 – 10:30  Refreshment Break

10:30 – 12:00  Joint Operating Agreement Issues (continued)
Wednesday, March 11, 2020 (continued)

12:00 – 13:30  Hosted Lunch
  Ajuda I

13:30 – 15:30 Joint Operating Agreement Issues (continued)

15:30 – 15:45 Refreshment Break

15:45 – 17:00 Joint Operating Agreement Issues (continued)

Thursday, March 12, 2020

09:00 – 10:30 Participation: Farmin/Farmout Agreement Issues

  Josefson & Cascio
  • Using a farmout (participation) agreement to acquire an interest in an oil and gas granting instrument by performing or paying for specified work under the granting instrument
  • AIPN Model Form International Farmout Agreement

10:30 – 10:45 Refreshment Break

10:45 – 12:00 Sale and Purchase Agreement Issues

  Derman & Cascio
  • International purchase and sale of oil and gas interests
  • Key provisions and risks of purchase and sale agreements for oil and gas assets

12:00 – 13:30 Hosted Lunch
  Ajuda I

13:30 – 15:45 Unitization Issues

  Derman & Sullivan
  • Development of oil and/or gas reservoirs by the owners of various contract areas as a single unit when they extend beneath more than one contract area
  • Mechanics of unitization
  • AIPN Model Form Unitization and Unit Operating Agreement

15:45 – 16:00 Refreshment Break

16:00 – 17:00 Decommissioning Issues

  Reeder & Sullivan
  • Decommissioning as an adjunct obligation to the right to develop oil and gas
  • Review of contractual provisions related to decommissioning

Friday, March 13, 2020

09:00 – 10:30 Crude Oil Sales & Lifting Agreement Issues

  Cascio
  • How co-venturers share limited infrastructure to take, lift, and sell their individual shares of oil production.
  • AIPN Model Form Lifting Agreement
  • Contracts involved in the physical sale of crude oil

10:30 – 10:45 Refreshment Break

10:45 – 12:00 Gas Sales Agreement Issues

  Sullivan & Reeder
  • Differences between sales of natural gas and crude oil
  • Mechanics of international sales of natural gas

12:00 – 13:30 Hosted Lunch
  Ajuda I

13:30 – 14:00 Gas Balancing and Transportation Issues

  Sullivan & Reeder
  • Out of balance sales of natural gas to different customers, resulting in one party selling more than its participating interest share of natural gas production and the other selling less than its participating interest share
  • Gas balancing agreements, which establish a method for restoring balance to each party’s share of production
  • Key concepts involved in natural gas transportation agreements

14:00 – 15:00 Overview of LNG

  Sullivan & Reeder
  • LNG value chain
  • Mechanics and contracts involved in developing an LNG export project

15:00 – 15:15 Refreshment Break

15:15 – 17:00 Overview of LNG (continued)

17:00 Course Adjournment