



"Gustavo Sclocchi" Thesis Awards 2007

for Doctors of Philosophy and University Graduates
in Petroleum Engineering, Geo-Sciences and
other disciplines related to the Oil & Gas Industry

1. In order to encourage and reward university graduates who specialise in petroleum engineering, geo-sciences and other disciplines related to the oil & gas industry, the SPE (Society of Petroleum Engineers - Italian Section), the EAGE (European Association of Geoscientists & Engineers) and Assomineraria (Associazione Mineraria Italiana - Hydrocarbon and Geothermal Sector) are pleased to announce the 15th Theses Award.
2. All university graduates from Italian universities and Italian nationals graduated abroad, who will complete their studies in the period September 1st 2006 to October 31th 2007, are entitled to submit their degree thesis for the award. The award is also extended to PhD's who have completed their research theses in the same period.
3. The theses must cover subjects related to Hydrocarbon and Geothermal Exploration & Production activities:

**Geology, Geophysics and Formation Evaluation
Drilling and Completion
Reservoir Engineering
Production and Transport
Health, Safety and Environment
Energy Economics**

4. The instructions for participation in the contest are detailed in the "Theses Award" section of www.speitaly.org. Candidates must comply with the following deadlines:

**Contact Information and Abstract – deadline September 20th
Complete electronic copy of the thesis – deadline October 31st
Graduation Certificate– before the Award Ceremony**

5. Any questions can be addressed to:
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6. The Board of Directors of the SPE Italian Section, the Board of the EAGE-SEG Italian Section and the Board of Directors of Assomineraria jointly appoint the Evaluation Committee, which is composed of experts in the above-mentioned disciplines. The Evaluation Committee shall select the theses considered to be the most worthy of receiving the Award. Its decision is final and is not subject to appeal.
7. **The prize for each winning thesis will be €1,500 (one thousand five hundred Euro).** Moreover, a mention of each award-winning thesis will be published in the «SPE Bulletin» of the Italian Section, in the «EAGE First Break» and in the «Assomin Bulletin». The Award ceremony will take place in December, 2007.

SPE
Italian Section Chairman
Thomas P. Lockhart

Assomineraria
Pres. Settore Idrocarburi e Geotermia
Giordano Serena

EAGE
President
Finn Roar Aamodt

1. In order to participate to the contest, **ALL the following information must be submitted to the reference person sandra.cobianco@eni.it** by using the downloadable forms:

NOT LATER SEPTEMBER 20th

- a. Contact information
email address
telephone number (if available, mobile number)
home address

- b. Abstract of the thesis (two pages max, in English or Italian following the enclosed Guidelines)

- c. Reference for the Dean of the Faculty (email and post address)
Reference for the assisting professors (email and post address)

NOT LATER OCTOBER 31st

- d. Complete electronic copy of the thesis, in english or italian, (accepted formats: MS Word and Acrobat)

BEFORE CEREMONY

- e. Document attesting the date and place of graduation – by fax +39 02 52059038 before the Award Ceremony

It must be noticed that Abstracts have significant impact on the evaluation process, so that a careful and accurate writing contributes to the thesis appreciation.

Guidelines for the preparation of the Thesis' Abstract

Your Thesis Abstract should contain approximately 400 - 600 words and enough information to allow the Evaluation Committee to make an accurate judgment of the content of your Thesis.

The text of the Abstract should be organized along the following lines:

1. **Problem Statement:** your Thesis Abstract should state briefly the problem you intend to address.
2. **Objectives and Scope of the Study:** state the objectives of the study clearly, outline the scope and limitations of your work and point out the extent of coverage, the aspects that have not been well understood yet, which require further studies.
3. **Methodology:** state briefly the approach upon which the thesis is based (e.g., field data, laboratory data, original analysis, or computer work) and how the work has been organized.
4. **Results and Observations:** give the major results or findings of the study and highlight the importance of results to the area of study.
5. **Conclusions:** state the major conclusions of the study but do not confuse conclusions with results and observations. Results and observations are facts, whereas conclusions are the lessons learned from interpretation of the facts.
6. **Applications:** describe the possible applications of the knowledge provided in the thesis.
7. **Innovations or Technical Contributions:** state what is new in your study and its importance to the oilfield and list up the most important innovations or technical contributions in your thesis to the technical knowledge base of the petroleum industry.



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Contest Application Form

Thesis:

University and Faculty:	
Thesis Title:	

Author information (repeat for all the authors):

Name:	
e-mail:	
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tel. 2 (cellular)	
Post address:	

Faculty Dean of the Faculty:

Name:	
e-mail:	
Post address:	

Assisting professor:

Name:	
e-mail:	
tel.:	
Post address:	