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The International Gas Union Research Conference (IGRC) is considered the premier global forum devoted to presentation and discussion of R&D and innovation of the gas industry. This year's conference took place in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, 24-26 May 2017, under the title "Natural Gas: Catalyzing the Future". It was the first time the conference visited the Latin American continent. IGU thanks the Brazilian host, IBP - , the IGU R&D and Innovations committee, sponsors, speakers and delegates for the event.

For a description of each conference day and pictures from the event, visit the links below:

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The IGU President, David Carroll, opened the event and stressed the importance of the conference as a place for idea and thought exchange, but also a place for development of new forms of cooperation and solutions can be found. Access his presentation [here](#).

The IGU Secretary General, Luis Bertrán, closed the event. In his presentation, which you can access [here](#), he talked of the importance of technology in the energy transition, how technology creates new opportunities and finds solutions to challenges.

IGU INTERNATIONAL SAFETY SUMMIT

Nov 06, 2017 - Nov 07, 2017

Washington D.C.



"Improving the Safety of Natural Gas Across the Globe"

Safety has always been a core value and of the highest priority for the natural gas industry and a key part of its social license to operate. IGU member companies place the greatest commitment on safe and environmentally sound operations and on protecting the well-being of the communities in which they operate. Consistent with these commitments, the IGU is excited to hold the inaugural IGU Safety Summit on November 6-7, 2017 in Washington, DC.

Hosted by the American Gas Association, the event will focus on all aspects of safety within the natural gas industry, including case studies highlighting safety practices and initiatives implemented by IGU member companies from around the world and will provide a forum where our members can share best practices and review developments in new safety technologies in their countries or regions.

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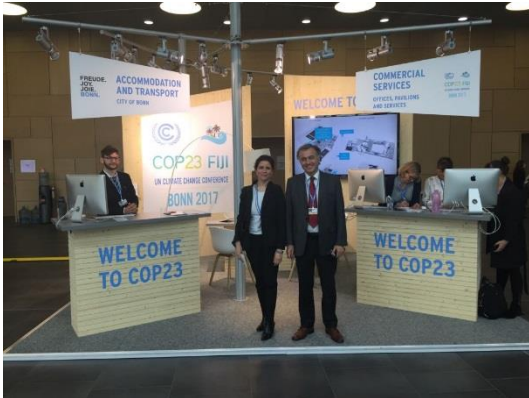
We are delighted to announce that the WGC 2018 Conference Program is now LIVE and Early Bird Registration OPEN!

You can now access the full conference program which will allow you to search for your areas of interest and business activity. Visit <http://wgc2018.com/program/> to BUILD YOUR OWN PROGRAM.

It is now 10 weeks to go until the 27th World Gas Conference Call for Abstracts closes. The Call for Abstracts is your opportunity to join our exceptional list of confirmed [speakers](#) and share your knowledge and expertise with the global gas industry. For more information on topics and how to submit your abstract, please [click here](#). Submission deadline: September 1, 2017.

WGC 2018 will deliver more opportunities for STRUCTURED NETWORKING than any other global gas event. Stay tuned for updates and more announcements! [Register now.](#)

IGU Influence



Over: Rafael Huarte, IGU Director, was a panelist in the session "What is the Right Energy Mix to Achieve Sustainable Development Goals" at the 19th Africa Energy Forum in Copenhagen, Denmark, 7-9 June.

Over to the left: Mid-May, Antonia Fernández Corrales, Chief Advisor, and Rafael Huarte, IGU Director, participated in a UNFCCC Special event on how innovation can support implementation of nationally determined contributions and mid-century strategies. While in Bonn, they also took the opportunity to prepare for the COP 23 conference which will be held end-2017.

To the left: IGU Secretary General, Luis Bertrán, gave a presentation on gas and renewables at the Clean Energy Conference in Trinidad and Tobago, 8-9 June. (Photo: Energy Chamber of Trinidad and Tobago.)



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