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On 12 August, the IGU President and Secretary General visited Statoil CEO, Eldar Sætre to thank Statoil for hosting the IGU Secretariat over the last nine years.

“The support has been of vital importance at a time where we have seen the need to step up our efforts to position natural gas,” said IGU President David Carroll in the meeting.

“The battle between preferred energy sources is taking place now and the IGU is working hard to be present in arenas where decisions for the energy future are being made.”

Sætre replied that it has been a pleasure for Statoil to support the IGU Secretariat. "We have noted a very positive development during this period, with the IGU increasingly growing in its role as an active contributor to policy formulation on issues affecting the gas industry." He also added: "I think the IGU's work, representing the whole gas value chain, is of utter importance, especially in the wake of the 2015 COP21 climate agreement to reduce global emissions of greenhouse gases. We appreciate the IGU's efforts to advocate the gas industry's contributions to reducing CO2 emissions while also increasing awareness of the importance of gas role in improving air quality in cities across the globe."

The President and Secretary General expressed their warmest gratitude and appreciation for the support and presented Statoil a gift as a symbol of IGU's appreciation.

On 1 November 2016, the Secretariat will move to Barcelona, Spain with Gas Natural Fenosa becoming the new Secretariat sponsor organization.

Photo: Rannveig Stangeland, Statoil

IGRC 2017 - Call for papers closes 30 September

The deadline for the Call for Papers for IGRC 2017 is soon approaching.

Do not miss out on the opportunity to submit your paper. The final deadline for submissions is 30 September 2016.

Read more about the [topics](#) and how to [submit](#).



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Clean Fuels – Setting the Future Course for International Shipping

The Utilization committees focus is on the ever-evolving issues related to the utilization of gas in residential, commercial and industrial markets. The use of natural gas as a land and marine transportation fuel is also central to their work. For this newsletter, the committee would highlight the opportunities that gas offers in the marine sector:

"The shipping industry faces increasing pressures – both from within its own ranks and from policymakers – to become a clean form of transport. Alongside industry initiatives focusing primarily on passenger and ferry transport, new regulations are also impacting the transition to a more environmentally friendly shipping industry..." [Read more...](#)

Building for the Future: IGU Event Director appointed



As of 1 August Rodney Cox has been appointed IGU Event Director with the responsibility for providing support and guidance related to the three IGU staged conferences (World Gas Conference, the IGRC conference and the LNG Conference & Exhibition) as well as other future IGU events.

The appointment is part of phase II of the Building for the Future project. It gives IGU capacity to treat the conference portfolio as a whole and better ensure that consistent policies are developed and that knowledge and experience can be better transferred from one event to another.

Rodney has a wealth of experience and knowledge in the staging of international conferences and has worked with the IGU during past conferences and exhibitions through his previous employer ETF.

We warmly welcome and congratulate Rodney on his new position!

"Save the date" - IGU Webcast Live from Amsterdam

Invited Speakers:

- Tjerk Wagenaar - Director of Nature & Environment, a leading Dutch NGO: On the role of gas in a sustainable energy future
- Mel Ydreos - Executive Director Public Affairs, IGU: On the clean air debate and the role of gas
- Clean air expert speaker (TBC)



Join us by phone or video stream on Tuesday 18 October 2016 from 14:30 to 15:30 PM Amsterdam time. (Or 10:30 Rio, 13:30 Abudja; 20:30 Perth...)

Further communications and details on how to register will be made available shortly

IGU meetings in Amsterdam, the Netherlands, 18-21 October 2016



We are looking forward to an interesting Council week in Amsterdam, the Netherlands in October. In addition to the IGU Council, Executive Committee and Coordination Committee meetings many informative workshops are planned for the week.



This time also the IGU Webcast will be organized in relation to the meeting. [View the preliminary overall programme and register for the Amsterdam meetings here](#)

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IGU Newsletter survey results, June 2016. You spoke, we are listening.

As a means of understanding how well our newsletters are being received by our readers, in June this year we conducted a reader survey. We are extremely grateful to the 244 readers who responded to the survey, providing us with a great insight on the state of our newsletters and ideas on how to make improvements.

The highlights of the feedback included,

- Top three items contained in the newsletters of highest value include; updates from the IGU, inclusion and links to recent industry reports and interviews, and updates from the IGU Executive and Council meetings.
- Over 53 % of the respondents ranked the quality of the newsletters as very good, while 46% ranked them as average. We are fully committed to improving the quality and relevance of the newsletters.

You can view the complete survey results [here](#).

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