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## IGU Newsletter - June 2018

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#### **TWO WEEKS TO GO – BOOK YOUR PLACE AT THE WORLD’S MOST IMPORTANT GLOBAL GAS GATHERING**

Don't miss the chance to join your peers for the 'Olympics' of the gas industry this June 25-29 in Washington, DC – the single most important opportunity to debate and discuss the future of natural gas with policy makers and industry peers from across the globe.



**27th WORLD GAS  
CONFERENCE** | JUNE 25-29  
WASHINGTON DC | **2018**



The exceptional speaker line-up features 650 international ministers, NGOs, customer groups, financial institutions and the absolute leaders of the global gas industry, all offering timely updates on strategic, commercial and technical issues facing the entire gas value chain.

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**BOOK YOUR DELEGATE PLACE TODAY**

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#### **650+ EXPERT SPEAKERS**

In addition to the invited Keynote and Current Debate Speakers, 650+ speakers were carefully selected by the IGU Committees to host the Industry Insights and Technical & Innovation Center Sessions - these expert speakers represent the best of what our industry has to offer, addressing the most current and business critical issues, such as:

TECHNICAL & INNOVATION CENTER SESSION: [PIPELINE INTEGRITY IN THE DIGITAL AGE](#)  
TECHNICAL & INNOVATION CENTER SESSION: [TRANSMISSION PIPELINES: TECHNIQUES](#).

TECHNOLOGIES AND IMPLEMENTATION

INDUSTRY INSIGHTS SESSION: [EXPLORATION AND DEVELOPMENT OF NEW GEOLOGICAL FRONTIERS AND NEW APPLICATIONS OF CONVENTIONAL GAS RESOURCES](#)

INDUSTRY INSIGHTS SESSION: [SAFE OPERATION AND BEST PRACTICES OF UGS](#)

INDUSTRY INSIGHTS SESSION: [EFFECTIVE OPERATIONS: THE WAY TO COMPETITIVENESS](#)

TECHNICAL & INNOVATION CENTER SESSION: [PIPELINE INTEGRITY DETECTION AND ANALYTIC METHODS](#)

VIEW FULL PROGRAM HERE - <https://wgc2018.com/program/>

[Book online](#) or contact the WGC 2018 team to register:

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This is your chance to choose from over **100 sessions** hosted by leaders of the global gas industry, including Energy Ministers and CEOs from the likes of **Chevron, ExxonMobil, Qatar Petroleum, BP, Total, ConocoPhillips** and **Shell** to name a few.



Juan José Aranguren  
Minister of Energy and Mining  
Argentina



Peter Szijjarto  
Minister of Foreign Affairs & Trade,  
Hungary



Rick Perry  
Secretary of Energy  
United States



H.E. Ignasius Jonan  
Minister of Energy & Mineral Resources,  
Republic of Indonesia

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## IGU GLOBAL GAS AWARD WINNER

We are thrilled to announce that the winner of this triennium's prestigious IGU Global Gas Award is **Qiao Jia, Director Of Energy Technology Research Department from the Beijing Gas Group Research Institute!** The theme of the award for WGC 2018 was 'The role of Natural Gas in enhancing the quality of life, today and in the future'. Ms Qiao's project stood out in its review of the lessons learnt from Beijing's transformational switch from coal to natural gas, encapsulating the objectives of the theme.

The competition was open to IGU members only and the winner was selected from over 200 high-quality entries by the IGU's Judging Panel of industry experts. **Find out more about the award at the Closing Ceremony of the 27<sup>th</sup> World Gas Conference on Friday June 29** where the winner will be awarded her prize by the President and Secretary general of the IGU.

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## NETWORKING EVENTS

In addition to the conference and exhibition are numerous networking & social events including world famous entertainment acts.

The [Welcome Reception at Union Station](#) on Monday June 25 will give you the chance to explore the surroundings of Washington DC themed areas, while enjoying a variety of entertainment, local cuisine and networking. Meet special guests '**The Racing Presidents**' - the Washington Nationals baseball team mascots.

The [Opening Ceremony](#) will include speeches from high level Government and industry officials plus entertainment from the **Blue Devils Marching Band** and the world famous **Harlem Globetrotters!**

The [Networking Reception on Thursday June 28](#) offers a fusion of American and Korean cultures as we welcome the **Republic of Korea** as the hosts of World Gas Conference 2021.

Find out more about WGC 2018 [Networking Functions here](#).



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