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## **20th World Petroleum Congress closes online delegate registrations**

**Congress achieves target number of online delegate registrations**

**Registration at Qatar National Convention Centre will be open**

**Doha, 26 November 2011** - The 20th World Petroleum Congress organizing committee said today that it has closed online delegate registrations effective immediately.

The organisers said the online delegate registrations have exceeded expectations, with 5000 delegates already having confirmed their registrations.

The State of Qatar is hosting the first World Petroleum Congress and Exhibition to be held in the Middle East region at the Qatar National Convention Centre from 4-8 December 2011.

In addition to a diverse and highly populated congress programme that welcomes the largest delegate count in WPC history and a broad cross section of industry leaders under one roof, the 20th WPC in Doha also has the honour of hosting the biggest ever World Petroleum Exhibition, which surpasses the previous edition in Madrid, Spain, by 20%.

A 20th WPC Organising Committee spokesperson said: "This record number of registrations is extremely rewarding. It is just one aspect of the 20th WPC coming to fruition following nearly two years of planning, campaigning, registration and logistics. We expect the 20th WPC to leave a lasting memory that contributes to elevating Qatar's and the region's overall credentials as a reliable and efficient host."

Delegate registration is still possible in Doha at the Qatar National Convention Centre from 3 December and during the days of the Congress. Trade visitor registrations and Media registration will continue to be open online leading up to the congress and exhibition, as well as during the Congress days.

More information about registration and badge collection, including schedules, is available in the "Need To Know" section of the Congress website [www.20wpc.com](http://www.20wpc.com).

**\*\* Ends \*\***

## **NOTES FOR EDITORS**

### **About the 20<sup>th</sup> World Petroleum Congress**

**Theme:** Energy Solutions for All Promoting Cooperation, Innovation and Investment

**Date:** 4-8 December 2011

**Venue:** Qatar National Convention Centre

**Further information:** [www.http://www.20wpc.com](http://www.20wpc.com)

The World Petroleum Congress consists of a 5-day congress, the largest of its kind in the world with over 4000 delegates, 600 media and over 550 presenters. Held alongside the congress and in the same venue is the exhibition of the World Petroleum Congress. It features exhibits from the national committees of the World Petroleum Council where the most prestigious national oil and gas companies and agencies of the world are present. It also features all the most important international oil and gas companies in the world alongside the key suppliers, service companies and manufacturers. This is the only existing global exhibition dedicated to the oil, gas and energy industry.

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