



## "Gustavo Sclocchi" Thesis Awards 2010

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 18<sup>th</sup> Thesis Award.

2. All university graduates from Italian universities and Italian nationals graduated abroad, who will complete their studies or research in the period **November 1<sup>st</sup> 2009 to October 31<sup>st</sup> 2010**, are entitled to submit their published thesis for the award.

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 SPE Italian Section web-site [www.speitaly.org](http://www.speitaly.org). Candidates must comply with the following deadlines:

**Contact Information and Abstract – deadline September 13<sup>th</sup>**  
**Complete electronic copy of the thesis – deadline October 18<sup>th</sup>**  
**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 2,400€ (twenty four hundred euros)**. Moreover, a reference 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».

8. The Award ceremony will take place on December 2010 in San Donato Milanese (Italy) and winners will be asked to deliver a short presentation of their thesis work at this event. Winners will be notified in due time of the date and venue of the ceremony and of the presentation guidelines.

**SPE**  
Italian Section Chairman  
**Maurizio Rampoldi**

**Assomineraria**  
Hydrocarbons and Geothermal Section Chairman  
**Pietro Cavanna**

**EAGE**  
President  
**Davide Calcagni**

## Documents to be submitted

In order to participate in the contest, **ALL the following information must be submitted to the reference person [marco.brignoli@eni.com](mailto:marco.brignoli@eni.com):**

### **NO LATER THAN SEPTEMBER 13<sup>th</sup>**

a. Contact information

- E-mail address
- Telephone number (if available, mobile number)
- Home address

b. Thesis Degree (Master, Laurea Magistrale, PhD, etc.) and Title (in English and, if suitable, Italian)

c. Abstract of the thesis (two pages max, in English or Italian following the below reported Guidelines)

d. Reference information of the Dean of the Faculty (e-mail and post address)

e. Reference information of the assisting professor/s (e-mail and post address)

### **NO LATER THAN OCTOBER 18<sup>th</sup>**

e. Complete electronic copy of the thesis, in English or Italian, (accepted formats: MS Word and PDF Acrobat)

### **BEFORE CEREMONY**

f. Document attesting the date and place of graduation – by email or fax (+39 02 52061820) before the Award Ceremony

**Please note that the Abstracts have significant weight on the evaluation process, so that their careful and accurate preparation contributes to the overall thesis rating.**

### **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 aspects that have not been well understood yet, which may 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.
5. **Usefulness and Applications:** describe the possible applications or the implications of the knowledge provided in the thesis.
6. **Innovations or Technical Contributions:** state what is new in your study and its importance to the oilfield and list the most important innovations or technical contributions in your thesis to the technical knowledge base of the petroleum industry.