#### Society of Petroleum Engineers Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow

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#### **SPE History**

1871

 AIME was founded in Pennsylvania, USA, to advance the production of metals, minerals, and energy resources through the application of engineering

1913

 A standing committee on oil and gas was created within AIME and proved to be the genesis of SPE

1957

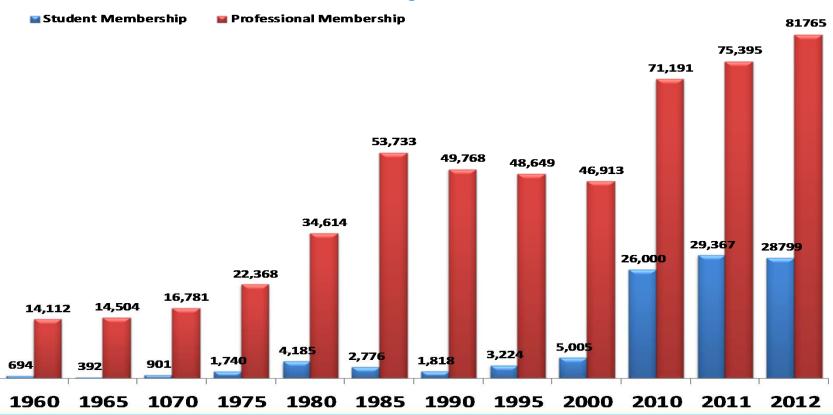
- Founded as SPE, a constituent society of AIME
- Separate incorporation in 1985

#### **SPE over the last 10 years**

10 Years Ago		TODAY	
55,000+	Membership professionals/students	110,000+	
150	Number of Sections	189	
130	Number of Student Chapters	238	
4	Number of SPE Offices	7	
30+	Number Training Courses & Meetings	140+	

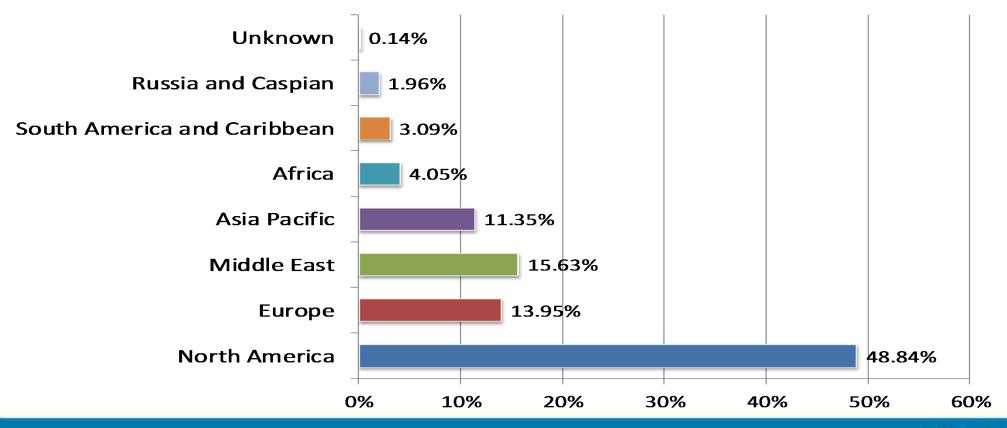


#### **SPE Membership Growth**



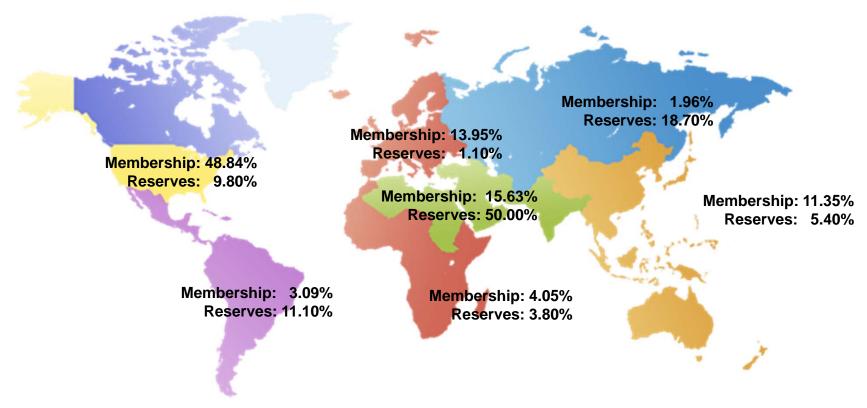


#### **Professional Members by Region Year-end 2012**

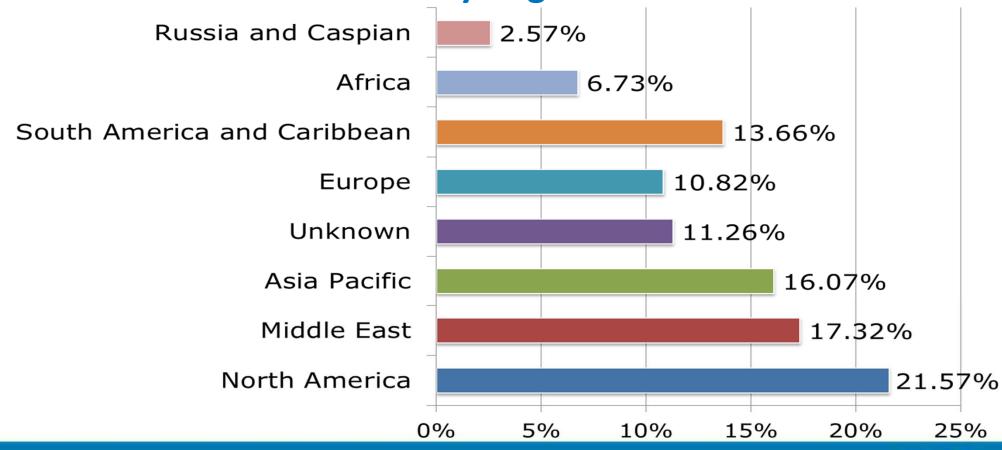




#### World Reserves and SPE's Membership

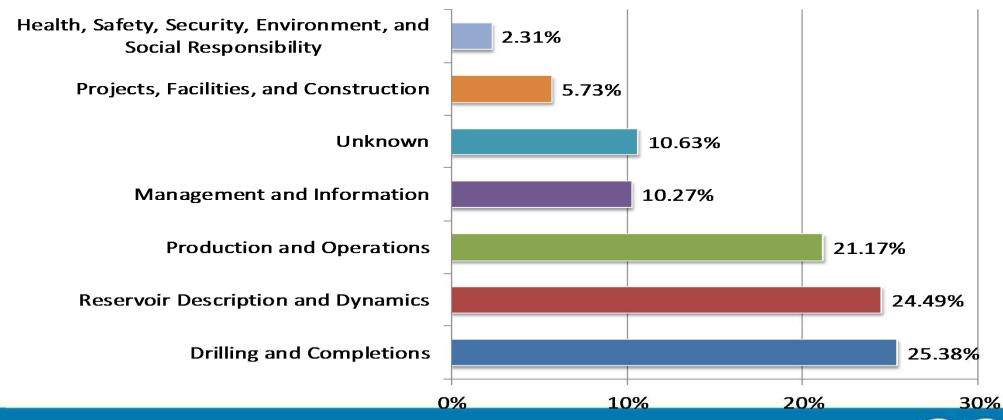


#### **Student Members by RegionYear-end 2012**



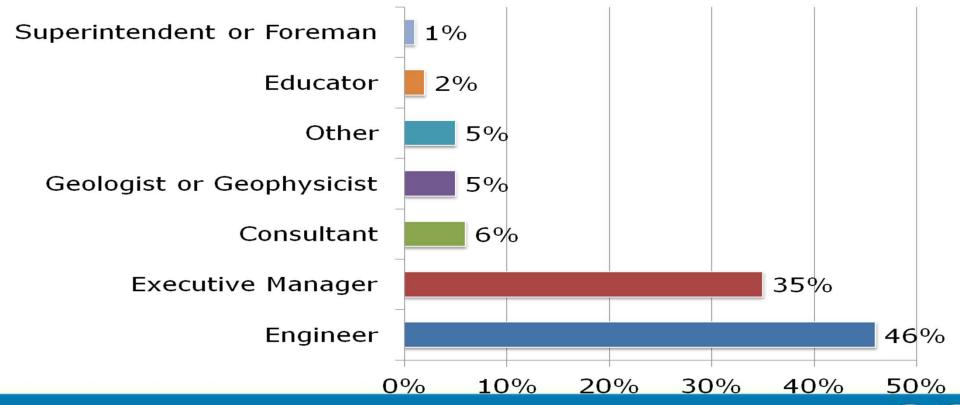


#### **Diverse Technical Disciplines**



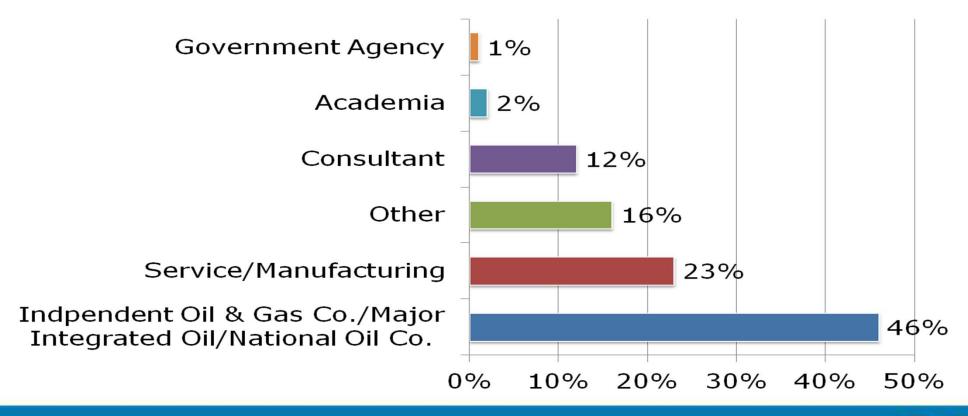


#### **Diverse Job Classifications**





#### **Diverse Company Categories**





## SPE's most significant achievements over past decade

- Globalization of SPE membership, offices & services
- OnePetro multi-society online library
- Expansion of conferences, workshops and training
- Young Professionals initiatives
- -Membership growth



## SPE's most significant achievements over past decade- continued

- Maintaining membership value along with growth
- Success in bringing together industry societies for joint activities
- -Sense of community for E&P industry
- -Financial strength



# "Even if you are on the right track, you'll get run over if you just sit there."

Will Rogers



#### The World We Live In

- Future economic growth uncertain but demand for energy expected to increase.
- Addition to current reserves will become more complex thus increasing the cost of bringing production to market.
- Unconventionals making an important impact.
- IT and telecoms world expanding daily.
- Image of our industry still needs to be improved and stakeholder expectations increasing.



#### Challenges

- Continue to attract younger members.
- Continue to refresh the knowledge base of professionals as they use new technology for new and complex challenges.
- Continue to improve our image.
- Promote volunteering.
- Enjoy the support of industry leaders.
- Remain financially strong.



#### Why strategic leadership?

- In a world that is changing faster than ever... we should pursue sustained superior performance by:
- Understanding the external and shaping the internal.
- > It attempts to anticipate and solve future problems
- Embracing the 'new', modifying the 'old' and jettisoning the no longer relevant



#### **Retreat Objectives**

- To revisit the SPE mission; create a 10-yr vision for SPE
- To discuss the future direction of SPE
- To develop 3-6 key high level strategic intents/priority goals to guide the institution over the next five years

The will be crafted into a 5-yr **Strategic Framework for further review by** The Steering

Committee and Board of Directors.



#### **SPE** is unique

- It is a global not-for-profit organization.
- It exists mainly for the benefit of its members, who are the owners of the organization and its major customers.
- While it has a fairly large full time staff, the technical content for the programs of SPE is developed mainly by its members.
- Thus, we are operating an organization in which the owners, workers and customers are all the same people, SPE's members.



#### **SPE Mission**

To collect, disseminate, and exchange technical knowledge concerning the exploration, development and production of oil and gas resources, and related technologies for the public benefit; and to provide opportunities for professionals to enhance their technical and professional competence.



#### Vision

Ensure that our members have the technical knowledge necessary to meet the world's oil and gas needs in a safe and environmentally responsible manner.



#### **Strategic Intents**

- 1. Capability Development/Big Crew Change
- 2. Knowledge Transfer
- Promoting professionalism and social responsibility
- 4. SPE as the Technical Authority
- 5. Industry Image/Image of our profession



#### **Capability Development/Big Crew Change**

- Accelerated competency development
- Faculty development and retention
- Filling faculty gap with experienced professionals
- Training programs technology, soft skills
- Certification general as well as discipline specific
- Lifecycle learning strategies (for any career stage)
- Competency assessment



#### **Knowledge Transfer**

- Maintain & improve technical quality within growing SPE Programs
- Make knowledge available on-demand and user friendly
- Take full advantage of communications technologies
  - Expansion of DL program; Facilitate technical discussions/debates
- Curator\_of content
- Determine future of peer reviewed journals
- Mentoring
- Address language issues
- Address volunteerism issues



#### Promoting professionalism and social responsibility

- More emphasis on SPE Professional Code of Conduct
- Competency assessment
- -Promote environmental & social awareness
- Maintain integrity & independence of SPE



#### **SPE** as the Technical Authority

- Possible new publications for industry and the public
  - Exposition of the state of the art of the technology
  - Focus on substantive issues that impact the ability of the industry to meet the world's energy needs [without duplicating current industry guidelines]
  - Focus on matters where intellectual/technical independence is needed
  - Example: Human factors and encouraging a culture of safety
  - Example: Understanding and explaining the literature on hydraulic fracturing and its impact on the environment
- PetroWiki
- SPE will not become the authority on petroleum technologies, but will leverage its membership to provide expertise

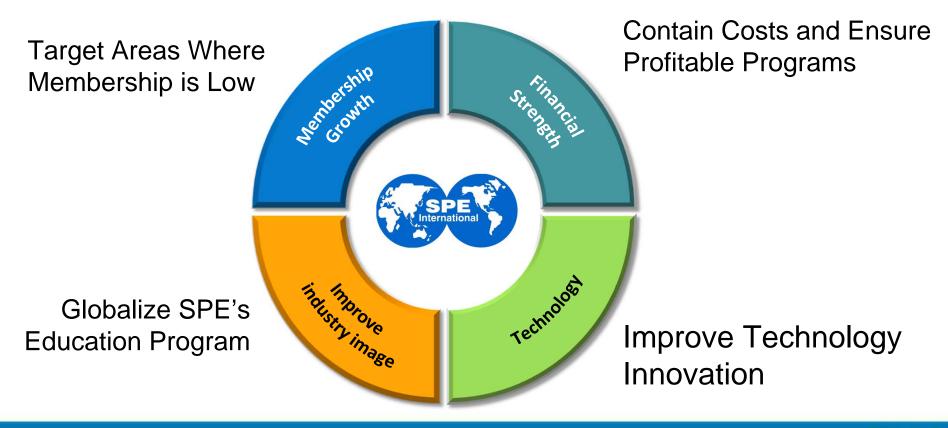


#### **Industry Image/Image of Profession**

- Develop public awareness programs based on technology
- Trusted source of unbiased information
  - White papers, case studies
- Promote safety as high priority with our membership



#### **Continue to Meet Member Needs**





#### **SPE Strategic Framework 2013-2017**

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Vision

• Ensure that our members have the technical knowledge necessary to meet the world's oil and gas needs in a safe and environmentally responsible manner.

Strategic Priorities

- Capability development; Knowledge transfer
- Promoting professionalism and social responsibility; SPE as a technical authority/resource
- Image of petroleum engineering profession and industry



# SPE IS YOU AND YOU ARE SPE

