

SOCIETY OF PETROLEUM ENGINEERS

Drilling Systems Automation Technical Section

Date: 8th November 2012

Time: 08:30 to 09:30 am. (Houston Time)

Teleconference

Agenda:

1. San Antonio
 - a. A success. Positive financials for tables versus reception cost. Positive feedback on the workshop. The tables worked well and will be included in such sessions in the future.
 - b. Feedback on speakers excellent – John Berra very positive plus Ed Tovar on DARPA
 - c. JPT published article.
 - d. One flop – video recording corrupted so no video to use.
2. July ATW
 - a. Report has been completed will be distributed firstly to those who attended the workshop, will be on general release after the paper is published and presented in Amsterdam next March.
 - b. Paper for SPE Amsterdam in drafting – issue with release of copy right from co-authors, dead line is the 15th November.
3. Amsterdam Drilling Conference DSATS Session
 - a. Location same as 2011 – all booked (capacity 300) thanks to Shasta.
 - b. Advertising started through SPE Drilling Conference again thanks to Shasta.
 - c. Keynote Rio Tinto “Mine of Future” lead man.
 - d. Propose to invite two of their suppliers also in O&G – Herrenknecht and AkerWirth. Subject to confirmation before action – know they are interested.
 - e. Sponsor (IDE) has approached us to take full reception – confirmed by committee members to accept the approach
4. IADC World Drilling
 - a. Day workshop with ART Committee – J de W leading, David Reid / Fred Florence involved.
 - b. Shaping at moment.
 - c. June 2013 Istanbul – all welcome. Excellent opportunity to promote the automation processes in coordination with IADC.
5. SPE ATW Proposed for 2014 based on feedback committee 2012 Vail Workshop
 - a. Proposal submitted according to approval from DSATS
 - b. SPE undecided; putting out some of their own ideas and conditions. SPE suggested a joint workshop with IEEE, and they require an Operator to be chairman or co-chairman.
 - c. Will see, then decide or abort – back up already available.
6. New Webmaster (Michiel) on board till March then nominated to continue (works in oilfield service sector – has background as a web developer). Thanks to Josh for his work to date, now he is overloaded in new work role and positive to hand over. Like to acknowledge Josh for stepping up the plate and launching our external website plus getting some great hits on the uploaded videos from San Diego. Propose a vote of acknowledgement to Josh for his work and product supporting DSATS. We are in the web outside of SPE login but within SPE systems!!!

7. Other Business – planned event in Stavanger Q1/2 next year by IADC ART; will promote within DSAT but will not host a special DSATS event.
8. There is planned 1 day workshop for Aberdeen Oct 2013, under the auspices of the local SPE section. DSATS will assist. Suggest John Thorogood as the rep from DSATS.
9. New software has been acquired – ACT - which allows for integrated marketing and mailing and analysis of the hits, Fred had asked if it is possible to make a mass email to existing DSATS members to encourage participation in the DSAT section in LinkedIn. Such an email will have to come directly from Fred not the SPE.
10. There is a Drilling Automation section in LinkedIn in the Middle East – <http://www.linkedin.com/groups/Drilling-Rig-Automation-4357578> - try to incorporate as closely as possible. Another group in LinkedIn with good participation is the group focused on Robotic and Unmanned vehicles, link to the site is www.auvsi.org/membership.
11. There will be a Robotic and Sensor conference organized by IEEE in Oct 21st to 23rd 2013 in George Washington University, Washington, DC, USA link; <http://rose2013.ieee-ims.org/>
12. IEEE are putting together a special issue of the magazine – Instrumentation and Measurement - I next fall, strongly suggested that we as DSAT get organized to write articles or white papers on our needs and concerns to get the attention and input from such experts in other industries and universities. Deadline for submittals is June 2013. Will need a concerted effort to get good quality papers prepared and we need to work as team to ensure success, it could be that we bring other recognized experts in the upstream oil & gas field. <https://www.ieee.org/membership-catalog/productdetail/showProductDetailPage.html?product=PER332-PRT>