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The American Association of Petroleum Geologists (AAPG) and the Brazilian Association of Petroleum Geologists (ABGP) successfully hosted the International Conference and Exhibition (ICE) 2025 from 30 September–3 October at the Windsor Convention and Expo Center in Barra da Tijuca, Rio de Janeiro. The event brought together 1,507 attendees from 334 organizations across 45 countries, with Brazil (71%), the United States (10%), and Colombia (3%) representing the largest delegations.

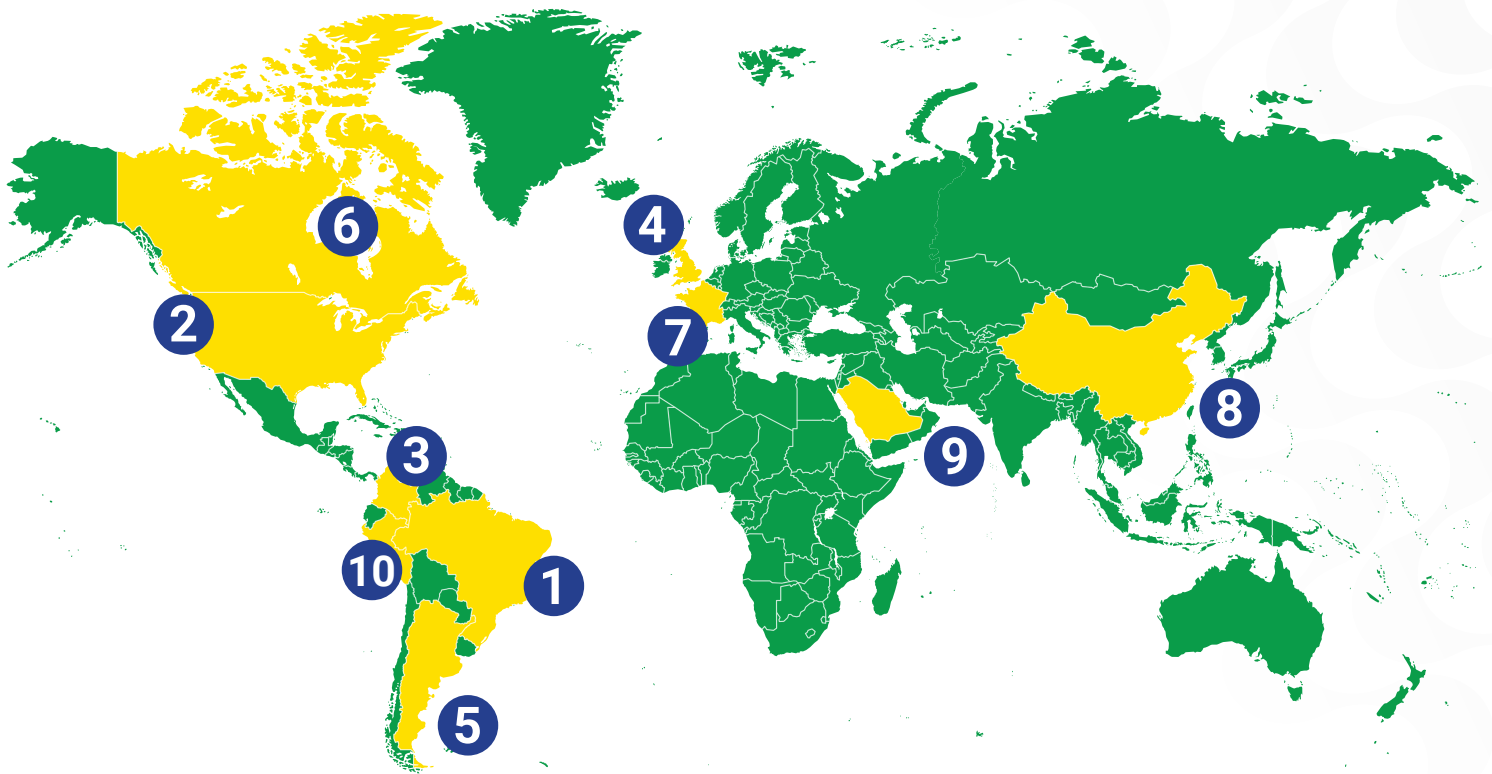
ICE 2025 delivered a robust technical and business program, featuring eight executive and special sessions, seven country sessions, 205 technical oral presentations, 142 posters, and dedicated spaces such as the Research, Development, Innovation and Low Carbon Solutions Theatre.

The event united geoscience and energy professionals from around the world, highlighting emerging technologies, and advancing dialogue across both traditional and low-carbon sectors. Strong attendance, positive participant feedback, and high exhibitor engagement affirm the conference's continued momentum and influence within our geosciences and energy communities.

Attendance Breakdown

Attendance Total: **1,507**

Total Countries Represented: **45**



Top Countries Represented

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| 1. Brazil | 6. Canada |
| 2. U.S. | 7. France |
| 3. Colombia | 8. China |
| 4. U.K. | 9. Saudi Arabia |
| 5. Argentina | 10. Peru |

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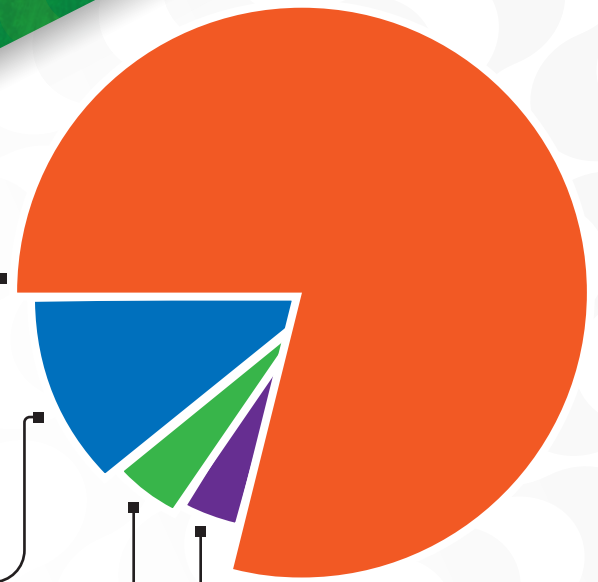
Region Representation

79% Latin America and Caribbean

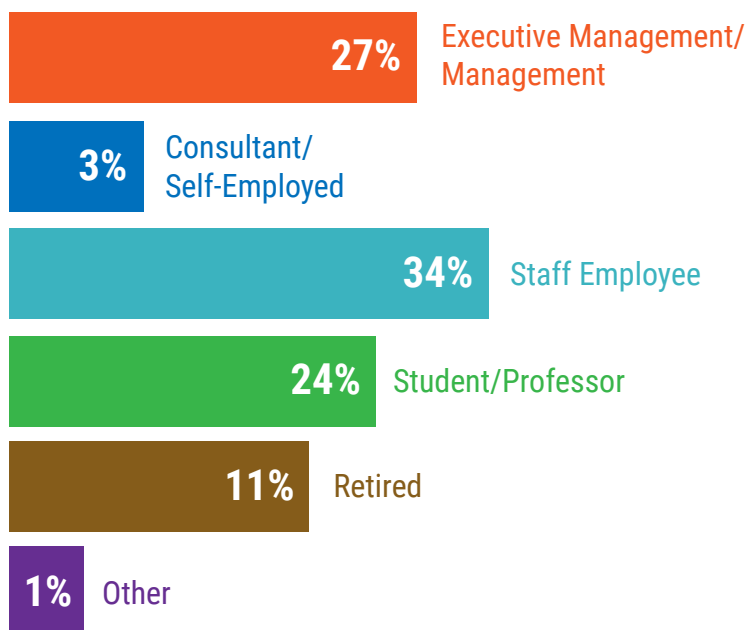
12% U.S. and Canada

5% Europe

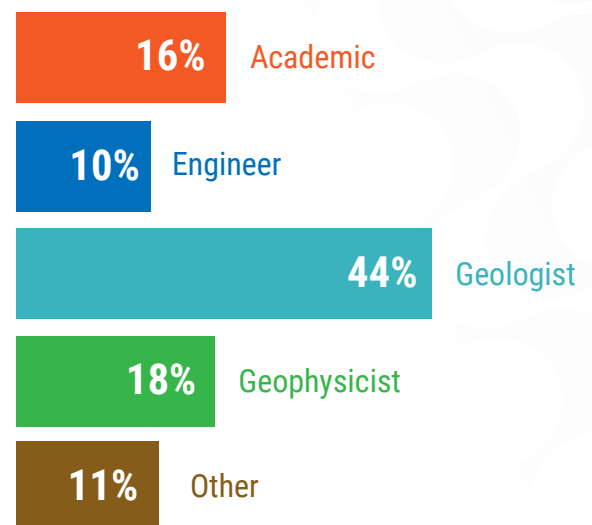
4% Asia-Pacific/Middle East/Africa



Profession Breakdown



Position Breakdown



Gauging the Audience

95% overall event satisfaction rating among attendees

98% overall quality of technical presentations satisfaction rating among attendees

92% of attendees would recommend ICE to a colleague or friend

87% of attendees are likely to attend future ICE events

Technical Program

Total Abstracts Submitted **838**

Total Abstracts Accepted **477**

Total Sessions:

Oral Sessions **49**

Themed Sessions Over 5 Time Slots **52**

Total Oral Presentations **189**

Total Poster Presentations **136**



Highlights

Opening Session and Awards Ceremony

- **Magda Chambriard**, Honorary Chair/ President, Petrobras; **Artur Watt Neto**, Director-General, Brazilian National Agency for Petroleum, Natural Gas and Biofuels – ANP; **Sylvia Anjos**, General Chair; **Victor Vega**, ICE Rio General Vice Chair; **Frederico Miranda**, President, Brazilian Association of Petroleum Geologists – ABGP; **Scott W. Tinker**, Chairman, Switch Energy Alliance; **Brian Horn**, President, AAPG

Executive Sessions

- **Regulatory Agency Executive Forum**
Simone Araújo, Director, Brazilian National Agency for Petroleum, Natural Gas and Biofuels – ANP; **Orlando Velandia**, President, National Hydrocarbon Agency (ANH), Colombia; **Vandana Gangaram Panday**, Director, Staatsolie Hydrocarbon Institute, Suriname; **Shri Vinod Seshan** Joint Secretary (Exploration), Directorate General of Hydrocarbons, Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas
- **Strategies for an Evolving Energy Landscape**
Sylvia Anjos, Petrobras E&P Director and ICE Rio 2025 General Chair; **Marina Abelha**, Promotions and Licensing Superintendent, Director, Brazilian National Agency for Petroleum, Natural Gas and Biofuels – ANP
- **Global Exploration Outlook**
Ahmad Faisal Bakar, Vice President of Exploration, Petronas; **Ahmed Hakami**, Vice President, Characterization and Field Development, Geosciences, Saudi Aramco; **John Ardill**, Vice President of Global Exploration, ExxonMobil; **Eugene Okpere**, Executive Vice President, Strategy & Portfolio, Shell; **Jonilton Pessoa**, Executive Manager for Exploration, Petrobras
- **Independent Operator Success Stories**
Decio Oddone, CEO, Brava Energia; **Orlando Cabrales**, CEO, Frontera Energy; **Manolo Zuñiga**, President and CEO, PetroTal Energy



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Special Sessions

- History of Petroleum Geology**
Guillermo Estrella, Petrobras (retired); **Hernani Aquino**, University of Rio de Janeiro State; **Alvaro Arouca**, Petrobras; **Victor Ramos**, University of Buenos Aires; **Petro Kress**, YPF; **Piotr Krzywiec**, Institute of Geological Sciences; **Victor Ramriez**, S&P Global; **Federico Seminario**, PetroTal; **Kenneth Shipper**, University of Houston
- Energy Security Drill: Bridging Geoscience and Energy**
Scott W. Tinker, Chairman, Switch Energy Alliance; **Victor Vega**, ICE Rio General Vice Chair
- Empowering Change: A Roundtable on Diverse Leadership in Energy**
Haydon Mort, CEO, Geologize; **Sophie Zurquiyah**, CEO, Viridien; **Julian Chenin**, Strategic Integrations and Partnerships Lead, ROGII; **Maria Mutti**, Vice President of International Regions, AAPG; **Jaime Gonzalo Checa**, President, ACGGP; **Frederico Miranda**, Exploration Director, Eneva; **Greg Cameron**, President, TBI; **Paula de Oliveira**, President-Elect AAPG Europe; **Scarlet Castro**, Brazil Geoscience Exploration Manager, Exxon Mobil; **John Underhill**, Aberdeen University Director for Energy Transition, Aberdeen University (Invited); **Flover Rodriguez**, Executive Director, ACGGP

Student and Young Professional Activities

- Student Symposium**
 Energy sector leaders shared industry insights and helpful tips for pursuing careers in geosciences and energy.
- Student Research Showcase**
 Undergraduate and graduate students representing Brazilian universities delivered technical presentations to ICE attendees.
- YP Meet & Greet and Roleplay - Driving Social Impact in Geoscience: ESG as a Tool for Community and Stakeholder Engagement**
 Interactive workshop addressed real-world challenges and explored the role of geosciences in advancing social equity and environmental sustainability.
- Student - Young Professional Leadership Summit**
 3-day event provided intensive training to AAPG Chapter representatives from Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Ecuador, Mexico, Peru, Saudi Arabia, Suriname, Trinidad & Tobago, and the US.



Country Sessions

Brazil

- **Rogério Soares Cunha**, General Manager Exploration, Petrobras; **Marina Abelha**, Promotions & Licensing Superintendent, ANP; **André Picarelli**, Subsurface Executive Manager, PRIO; **Lucio Prevatti**, General Manager Exploration, Development and Subsurface, Shell; **Alberto J. García**, Technical Manager, Repsol Sinopec, Brasil

Guyana and Suriname

- **Paul Riley**, South America Exploration Manager, ExxonMobil; **Sharista Koensingh**, Acting Exploration Manager, Offshore Directorate, Staatsolie; **Joe Ponthier**, General Manager Exploration – South America Frontier, Chevron; **James Geary**, Area Exploration Manager, TotalEnergies; **Harris Saifi Hakimi**, Americas Venture General Manager, Petronas

India

- **Matt Chandler**, Managing Director, ExxonMobil Gas; **Shri Vinod Seshan**, Joint Secretary (Exploration), Directorate General of Hydrocarbons, Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas; **OP Sinha**, Director (Exploration), ONGC; **Shri Trailukya Borgohain**, Borgohain Director (Operations) Oil India Limited

Africa

- **Ricardo Bedregal**, Executive Director - Upstream Operations LATAM and Frontier North America, S&P Global; **Henri Houlevigüe**, Vice President of Geoscience, TGS; **Luiz Gamboa**, Adjust Professor, Universidade Federal Fluminense; **Webster Mohriak**, Universidade do Estado de Rio de Janeiro; **Marcio Rocha Mello**, CEO, NEC

Argentina and Uruguay

- **Fernanda Raggio**, Vice President of Exploration, YPF; **Pedro Biscayart**, Vaca Muerta Studies Director, Tecpetrol; **Eytan Uliel**, CEO, Challenger; **Santiago Ferro**, Energy Transition Manager, ANCAP

Colombia

- **Orlando Velandia**, President, ANH; **Marcos Galvão**, GM for Colombia Exploration Assets, Petrobras; **Orlando Cabrales**, CEO, FronteraEnergy; **Antonio Velásquez**, Offshore Exploration Manager, Ecopetrol; **Liliana Gomez**, Country Chair, Shell Colombia; **Flover Rodriguez**, Executive Director, Colombian Association of Energy Geologists and Geophysicists (ACGGP)

Bolivia and Peru

- **Max Torres**, Chief Operating Officer, PetroTal; **Pedro Oswaldo Chira**, President of the Directorate, Perupetro; **Pedro Romero**, Vice President of Exploration, Oxy; **Valeria Cerqueira Conde**, President, Petrobras Bolivia; **Vitor Abreu**, CTO Fluxus Oil, Gas & Energy



Luncheons: 2

- **Oil, Gas, and Energy Security**
Scott W. Tinker, Chairman, Switch Energy Alliance
- **E&P Technology Outlook: How Data, Automation, and AI are Reshaping the Future of the Industry**
Rachael Moreland, Head of Energy Software & Advanced Analytics, S&P Global Commodity Insights

Research, Development & Innovation and Low Carbon Solutions Theatre

The RD&I and Low Carbon Solutions Theatre showcased how Brazil's RD&I clause is driving meaningful investment in technologies that advance both E&P performance and decarbonization. Through case studies, expert panels, and interactive discussions, industry leaders highlighted how RD&I-funded projects are accelerating renewable energy solutions, enhancing environmental responsibility, and supporting the energy transition. The theatre provided a dedicated platform to explore emerging technologies, collaborative strategies, and agile methodologies shaping the future of sustainable oil and gas operations, with sponsorship from Saudi Aramco.

- **Brazilian Projects with Global Impact: Leveraging Key Partnerships to Advance Carbon Removal Technologies**
Mariana Franca, Technology and Environment Deputy Superintendent, ANP; **Felipe Nascimento**, JV Asset Analyst, PETRONAS; **Jonas Gomes**, R&D Project Manager, TotalEnergies
- **Driving Innovation in Oil & Gas: Collaborative R&D for a Sustainable Energy Future**
Raphael Moura, Superintendent of Technology and Environment, ANP; **Henrique Pentead**, R&D General Manager - Exploration & Production, Petrobras; **Jorge Lopez**, Manager Brazil Subsurface Technology, Shell; **Vinicius Machado**, Manager - Applied Technologies at LIBRA, Petrobras; **Raimon Alfaro**, R&D Geoscience Lead, TotalEnergies
- **Bridging Academia and Industry: Pioneering R&D Partnerships for Energy Transformation**
Hebert Heidenreich, Technology Director, SLB; **Márcio Spínola**, Geosciences Area Leader, Halliburton; **Vivian Marchesi**, Principal, Geoscience and Petroleum, Disciplinary Engineering and Science, Baker Hughes; **Marysilvia Ferreira**, Director of Technology and Innovation, COPPE/UFRJ; **Gustavo Robichez**, Partnership & Innovation - Central Coordination, PUC-RIO
- **The Role of Seismic Technology in Petrobras' Reserves Replacement Strategy: From Exploration to Production**
Paulo Johann, Senior Advisor, Petrobras



International Pavilion

The International Pavilion continues to stand out as a global hub for energy investment, bringing together national oil companies, government agencies, and industry partners to showcase exploration, bidding, and renewable energy opportunities worldwide. With dedicated presentations from regional countries, the pavilion connected attendees directly with decision-makers, offering firsthand insight into available acreage, offshore wind initiatives, geology, timelines, and contractual frameworks shaping the future of global energy development. Participating countries and companies included:



Peru / Perupetro

Exploration Opportunities in Peru
Luis Agurto, *Exploration Contract Analyst*



Morocco / ONHYM

Morocco Spotlight: Oil & Gas investment Opportunities
Karima Guernouche, *Offshore Department Manager*



Colombia / ANH

Colombia's First Offshore Wind Bid Round
Nadia Plazas, *Vice President of Promotion and Area Assignment*



Philippines / Department of Energy

What's Up in the Philippine Petroleum Industry?
Augustus Cesar A. Navarro, *Assistant Secretary, Department of Energy*



GeoPartners

Revealing Untapped Potential in a new ERA of Exploration Offshore Africa
James Pryor, *Partner*



Belize / Ministry of Natural Resources, Petroleum & Mining

Belize Corozal Basin: Proven Plays, New Insights & Untapped Potential
Ashley Middleton, *Geologist, Geology & Petroleum Dept.*



Uruguay / ANCAP

E&P Offshore Opportunities: Insights, Advances & Path Forward
Santiago Ferro, *Energy Transition Manager*



Brazil / ANP

Exploration Opportunities in Brazil
Marina Abelha Ferreira, *Licensing Rounds Promotion Superintendent*



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- Challenger Energy Group
- Chinook Consulting Services
- DUG
- Eliis
- GeoLogica XYZ
- Geoteric
- GVERSE GeoGraphix
- Halliburton
- Katalyst Data Management
- LAMCE
- Lumina Geophysical
- MCWL Paladin Geological
- ONHYM - Morocco
- PE Limited
- PeruPetro SA
- PETREC
- Petrobras
- PetroStrat
- Philippines Dept of Energy
- Qeye AGT
- Rogii
- S&P Global
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