

2020 COS FORUM



VIRTUAL

August 7, 2020

Dear 2020 COS Forum Attendee,

During these challenging and unique times, the health and safety of our guests and staff remains of paramount importance. In light of the continued fluctuation in COVID-19 cases, disparate government response across the nation, and lack of a viable, widely available vaccine, we have decided to host the 2020 COS Forum as a **fully virtual event**.

The Forum began in 2013 as part of the COS commitment to “sharing industry knowledge” and has become the premier safety-focused event for the industry. The COS Forum brings together offshore industry operators, drilling contractors, service/supply companies, academia, and regulators to facilitate collaboration and drive continual improvement. It also provides the opportunity for networking and idea exchange, with our dedicated sponsors and exhibitors sharing their latest products and services.

While the 2020 COS Forum will be different compared to previous years, it will remain+ one that is right for you. The COS Virtual Forum will grant access to identical content as an in-person event, while providing a compelling online experience incorporating the latest technology and API's experience in engaging communities online. Breakout sessions, Q&A capabilities, and modified networking opportunities will be included. To provide the best experience possible, the conference will be extended from November 10-11 to **November 10-13** using modified times to reasonably accommodate as many time-zones as possible.

Our virtual conference will also maintain the strong connection with our sponsors and exhibitors through dedicated pages, where attendees can download brochures, watch videos, and even schedule appointments with booth staff.

You can participate with confidence, knowing that you will be part of the loyal, dedicated high-level audience this COS event is known for.

Here are additional programs we are offering:

- COS is offering free registration to 25 junior, senior, and graduate students pursuing degrees in SEMS or related fields. Please contact registrar@api.org for additional information.
- We are offering a 50% registration discount for those directly affected by the pandemic or industry downturn through unemployment. Please contact registrar@api.org for additional information.
- We are offering a 50% registration discount for veterans returning or new to the oil and gas workforce. Please contact registrar@api.org for additional information.
- For exhibitors, we are offering a 50% discount for third-party certified minority and women owned businesses that are certified by either the National Minority Supplier Diversity Council (NMSDC) or Women's Business Enterprise National council (WBENC). Please contact cunningham@api.org for additional information.

We understand that industry challenges are more pressing than ever, and our efforts must continue in the face of the pandemic and oil markets. The COS Forum is an important part of that vital work to bring new ideas and solutions to light, and to connect the people creating them.

We look forward to your participation.

For additional information, visit www.centerforoffshoresafety.org

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Russell Holmes".

Russell Holmes
Director
Center for Offshore Safety