

# Comparative Offshore Oil & Gas Conference: UK-Norway-USA

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The LSU Journal of Energy Law and Resources at the LSU John P. Laborde Energy Law Center will host its first Comparative Offshore Oil & Gas Conference on March 12-13, 2015. In World terms, the major, longstanding offshore producing systems in the developed world are the UK, Norway, and USA (OCS). The purpose of this conference is to bring together legal experts from these three countries to examine salient aspects of the offshore regulatory system of each nation and conduct comparisons.

The conference will focus on four significant themes. On the first day, specialists from the three nations will discuss the Oil & Gas Licensing systems. The second day will focus on Third Party Access to Offshore Infrastructure, License (Lease) Terms, and Environment and Health & Safety.

The conference will prove invaluable for US in-house counsels, commercial negotiators, and outside counsels presently involved (or considering involvement) in the UK and/or Norway. The conference will also serve as a valuable refresher course for US corporates and advisors engaged in or considering OCS business. For academics, students, and others, the conference will provide an invaluable, comparative review of how things are done differently (even much differently!) in different countries.

The speakers are separately working on articles which will be published after the conference in a special edition of the LSU Journal of Energy Law and Resources. The registration fee includes access to all sessions and a copy of the special edition when it is published. CLE credits for attorneys and certification credits for LSU Law students in the Energy Law Certificate Program are available.

World energy demand is forecast to mushroom in the decades ahead, and that has generated a massive worldwide effort to discover and produce ever-deeper and more complex petroleum reservoirs. Yet the price of oil has fallen by more than half since June 2014. Beyond classic economic issues of (over) supply and demand, the offshore sector in the US, and indeed worldwide, is still reeling from the cataclysm of Deepwater Horizon. This conference will educate delegates in their own systems and bring an appreciation of how others answer what are always the same fundamental questions. At a time of great change, the time to undertake this conference is now, and the right place is LSU. Let discussion and ideas flow!

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## GENERAL INFORMATION

### Course Materials for Attendees

The course materials will be made available to registrants online, at no charge, approximately one week before the seminar. Instructions on how to download PDF materials will be included in your confirmation letter, sent via email and snail mail immediately upon registration.

### Cancellation Policy

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### Current Developments in Labor & Employment Law

March 6, 2015, LSU Law Center

### The 62nd Mineral Law Institute

March 19-20, 2015, LSU Law Center

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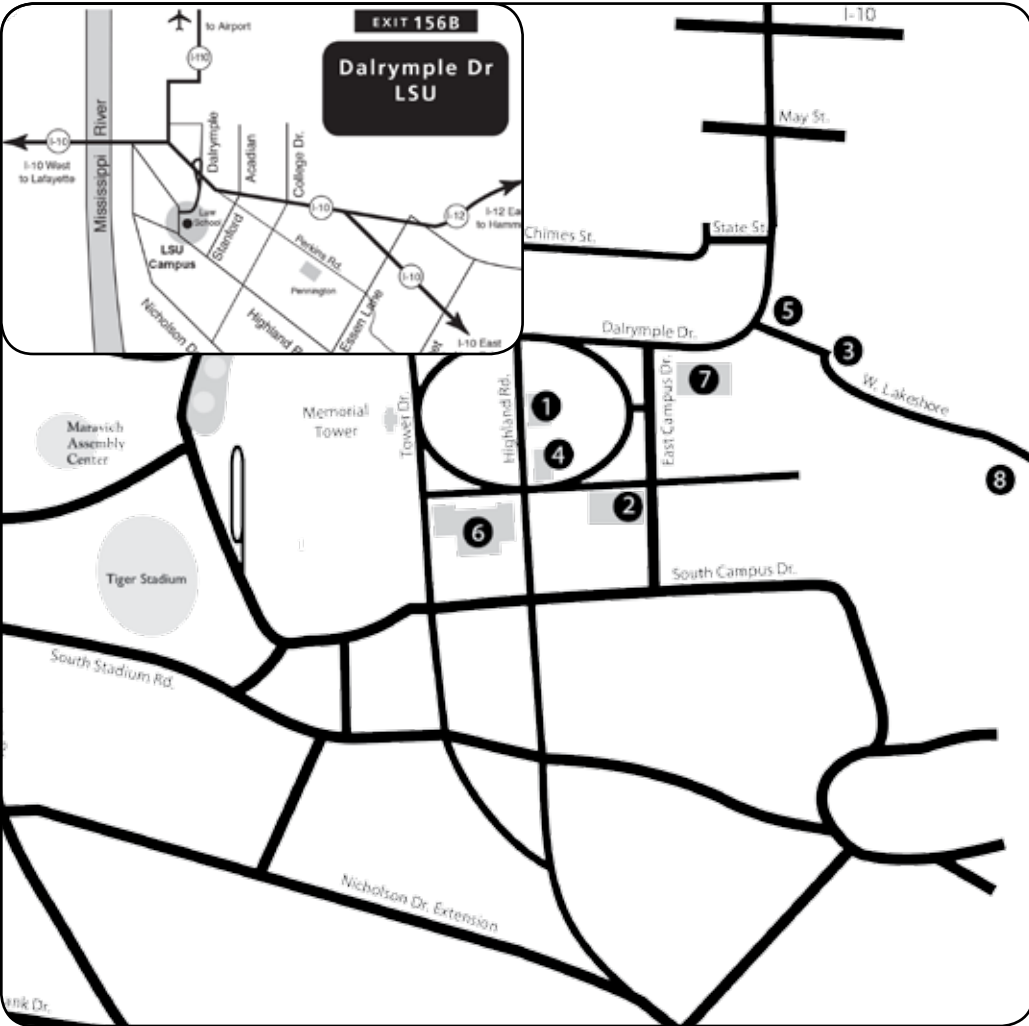
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### Thursday, March 12, 2015

- 1:00- 2:00 pm**                      **Registration**
- 2:00-2:15 pm**                      **Welcome and Introduction**  
Professor Keith B. Hall, LSU Law Center  
Director, Mineral Law Institute, John P. Laborde Energy Law Center
- 2:15-2:45 pm**                      **The UK, the Wood Review, and Massive Change**  
(0.5 credit hr.)                      Uisdean Vass, Bond Dickinson LLP, UK  
Professor John Paterson, University of Aberdeen, UK
- 2:45-3:00 pm**                      **Break**
- 3:00-5:00 pm**                      **Oil & Gas Licensing**  
(2.0 credit hrs.)                      The OCS System -- Anthony C. Marino, Slattery, Marino & Roberts, New Orleans, Louisiana, USA  
The UKCS System -- Uisdean Vass, Bond Dickinson LLP, UK  
The NCS System -- Professor Catherine Banet, University of Oslo, Norway  
Comparative Analysis -- J.T. Nesser, Shell Oil Co., New Orleans, Louisiana, USA  
Q&A
- 5:00-6:15 pm**                      **Reception and Networking in the Student Lounge**  
*Networking Reception generously supported by a Grant from the Rocky Mountain Mineral Law Foundation*

### Friday, March 13, 2015

- 7:30-8:30 am**                      **Continental Breakfast (provided)**
- 8:30-10:45 am**                      **Third Party Access to Offshore Infrastructure**  
(2.25 credit hrs.)                      United States -- Jana Grauberger, Liskow & Lewis, Houston, Texas, USA  
United Kingdom -- Uisdean Vass, Bond Dickinson LLP, UK  
Norway -- Torkjel Kleppo Grøndalen, Arntzen de Besche Advokatfirma AS, Oslo, Norway  
Comparative Analysis -- David H. Sweeney, K&L Gates, Houston, Texas, USA  
Q & A
- 10:45-11:15 am**                      **Break**
- 11:15 am-12:15 pm**                      **Oil & Gas Terms**  
(1.0 credit hr.)                      OCS Lease Terms -- Dana E. Dupre, Gordon, Arata, McCollam, Duplantis & Eagan, New Orleans, Louisiana, USA  
UK License Terms -- Greg Gordon, Senior Lecturer, University of Aberdeen, UK
- 12:15-1:15 pm**                      **Lunch (provided)**
- 1:15-2:30 pm**                      **Oil & Gas Terms (continued)**  
(1.25 credit hrs.)                      Norwegian License Terms -- Torkjel Kleppo Grøndalen, Arntzen de Besche Advokatfirma AS, Oslo, Norway  
Comparative Analysis -- Michael P. Darden, Latham & Watkins, Houston, Texas, USA  
Q & A
- 2:30-2:45 pm**                      **Break**
- 2:45-4:45 pm**                      **Environment, Health & Safety**  
(2.0 credit hrs.)                      US System -- David Hunter, Jones Walker, New Orleans, Louisiana, USA  
UK System -- Professor John Paterson, University of Aberdeen, UK  
Norwegian System -- Dag Erlend Henriksen, Arntzen de Besche Advokatfirma AS, Oslo, Norway  
Comparative Analysis -- L. Poe Leggette, Baker Hostetler, Denver, Colorado, USA  
Q & A
- 4:45 pm**                              **Close**



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