

Achievements

- The first APPIH annual meeting was held in New Orleans, LA, in Sept. 2013.
- The second APPIH annual meeting was held in Denver, CO, in Aug. 2014.
- Professors Ershaghi and Kazemi were honored. Four distinguished panelists, Prof. Kazemi, Prof. Piri, Prof. Ghassemi, and Mr. Arasteh presented topics on “From Pore Level to Large Scale Flow in Petroleum Reservoirs”.



- Our 2014, Iranian Ph.D. students who were given academic scholarships, Saeed Zargari (Colorado School of Mines), Behnaz Rahmani Didar (Texas A&M Univ.), and Mehrdad Gharib Shirangi (Stanford Univ.) along with Dr. Honarpour, 2013-2014 President of APPIH and keynote speaker, Mr. Ali Moshiri, president of Chevron Africa and Latin America Exploration and Production Company.

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Message from the President

On Behalf of the Board of Directors and the membership of the American Petroleum Professionals of Iranian Heritage, it is my pleasure to introduce APPIH. The organization is a non-political and a non-profit organization with the key objective of promoting technical excellence amongst our members who are petroleum professionals of Iranian heritage. Our bylaws, goals, membership applications, and financial statements are all available on our website.

Last year, we awarded academic scholarships to three finalist Ph.D. students during our second annual meeting. We also honored two Iranian professors who are members of National Academy of Engineering. We intend to award more scholarships during our third annual meeting to be held on Sept. 27, 2015 at 6 pm, in conjunction with the SPE ATCE meetings in Houston, Texas.

However, in order to fulfill our mission and objectives, we rely on the support of all professionals in the oil and gas industry and academia who are of Iranian heritage. Please step forward and support us in this mission through your membership, volunteerism, and sponsorship. Please visit our website and join us. Thank you.

Reza Fassihi, 2015 President



APPIH founding members are (from top left): Dr. Behrooz Fattahi, Mr. Farrokh Pebdani, Dr. Reza Fassihi, Prof. Shahab Mohaghegh, Dr. Ehsan Tajer, Prof. Iraj Ershaghi, Prof. Shapour Vossoughi, Dr. Mehdi Matt Honarpour, Dr. Abdollah Orangi, and Dr. Mohammad Delshad.

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Background

APPIH was founded in March 2012 and was registered in the state of Texas in April 2013, as a non-profit, non-governmental, and non-political professional Organization with no bias toward any particular political, ideological or religious groups. The Organization shall not participate in, or endorse, or repudiate any political, religious, or ethnic movements.

Vision

To make APPIH organization the premier society of petroleum professionals of Iranian heritage.

Mission

- To establish, facilitate, promote cooperation and exchange of scientific, and educational views amongst its members
- To provide professional and educational support to its members
- To recognize and promote significant scientific and professional contribution of its members at national level
- To conduct educational webinars and hold technical meetings and sponsor technical speakers
- To facilitate integration of new generation of graduates into the petroleum industry
- To promote professional growth and networking for APPIH members
- To participate in other philanthropic activities compatible with our mission and vision