

Post-Convention Short Course 9

AAPG Professional Women in Earth Sciences (PROWESS) and Association of Women in Geology (AWG)

Theme: Unconventional Workforce Assets: Developing Women Leaders in the Energy Industry

Date: Thursday, 26 April

Time: 8:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

Location: Renaissance Long Beach Hotel

Fee: Professionals \$150; Students \$50 (limited)

Includes: Continental breakfast, lunch and slides

Limit: 150 people

The industry is evolving and so is our workforce. Tight rocks are not the only unconventional resource that merits investment. Tap into our diverse workforce. Tomorrow's leaders are an inexhaustible resource that is ready to be discovered.

Attend the AAPG PROWESS short course to talk to some of the industry's most recognized professionals, in management and lead technical positions, to get their advice in landing a leadership position that will match your skill set and career goals. Whether you're preparing for your first job or considering a mid-career move, attend this short course to hear their career tips and get answers to your career questions.

Morning Keynote Speaker: **Julie Mahler, Senior Commercial Advisor, ExxonMobil Upstream Ventures, formerly Global Geoscience Recruiting Manager, *confirmed***

Afternoon Keynote Speaker: **Marcia McNutt, Director, U.S. Geological Survey – first female Director in 30 year USGS history, *confirmed***

Roundtable Discussion Leaders:

- Bill Barkhouse, SEG Geo-Mentor; Vice Chair, SEG Foundation Board of Directors
- Denise Butler, Geoscience Lead, Shell
- Denise Cox, from research to operations with Marathon Oil to VP of Storm Energy and Secretary of AAPG
- Gretchen Gillis, previous AAPG Editor, Aramco
- Julie Mahler, previous head recruiter, now Senior Commercial Advisor, ExxonMobil
- Lee McRae, Exploration Manager, North American Gas (Onshore) Region, BP America Inc.
- Andrea Reynolds, Appalachian Exploration Technical Lead, Shell, and AAPG EMD President-Elect

Morning Session - Breakout Discussion Topics:

1. Maximizing the value of your technical skills: suggestions on how to navigate the technical learning curve through training and experience.
2. Perfecting your professional image: developing a corporate brand and not a just a label.
3. Developing leadership skills: ways all employees can develop leadership skills and influence without authority.

Afternoon Session – Breakout Discussion Topics:

4. Expectations of tomorrow's leaders: skills needed to effectively lead future employees.
5. The business of The Business: information on economics and energy policy affecting your career.
6. Second career, second success: tips for maintaining a dynamic geosciences career