

Press Release

2020 IOGP Outstanding Young Professional Award Finalists announced

[18/12/2019] Seven outstanding young professionals have been shortlisted as finalists for the 2020 IOGP Outstanding Young Professional Award. The biennial award celebrates the achievements of an individual with fewer than 10 years of professional E&P experience. Nominations were submitted from senior leaders in over 20 operators, with candidates representing of all seven of IOGP's operating regions.

"This years' submissions have been of an extremely high calibre," Ed Walsingham, Business & Strategy Manager at IOGP said, "and our finalists have shown unrivalled commitment to excellence both inside and outside of the workplace".

The Awards Committee, consisting of executives from the world's leading upstream and contractor companies, has worked to categorise the nominees based on their leadership, innovation and impact.

"The upstream industry needs to do more to recognise the achievements of its younger workforce. Whether its harnessing new technologies to tackle the industry's greatest challenges or showing leadership by reaching out to those considering a future career in oil and gas, our candidates for the award are exemplary, and their companies and colleagues should be proud," Walsingham added.

The 2020 finalists are (in alphabetical order):



Kelly Giang,
Subsea Engineer, BP
(Houston, USA)



Delina Lyon,
Ecotoxicologist, Shell
(Houston, USA)



Saul Moorhouse,
Technology Capability Lead,
BP (London, UK)



David Ochanda,
Biodiversity Coordinator, Total
(Kampala, Uganda)



Lauren Prigent,
HSE Advisor, Neptune
Energy (Aberdeen, UK)



Stephanie Seewald,
Drilling & Completions HSE
Team Lead, Chevron
(Houston, USA)



Xeniya Yurkavets,
Lead HSE Specialist,
KazMunayGas (Nur-Sultan,
Kazakhstan)

Over the course of the next few months the Awards Committee will judge the finalists based on their achievements and a video submission. The 2020 Award will be presented by IOGP Chair, Fawaz Bitar, at the Society of Petroleum Engineers (SPE) International Conference and Exhibition on Health, Safety, Environment, and Sustainability, on 17-19 March 2020 in Bogotá, Colombia, in parallel with the Latin American and Caribbean Petroleum Engineering Conference (LACPEC).

The theme of the conference is “Generating Pride and Enabling Engagement” and will attract international HSE leaders and professionals from across the sector.

For more information visit www.iogp.org/award

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