

## Press Release

# IOGP, API, AMEXHI sign Memorandum of Understanding to strengthen collaboration

MEXICO CITY, January 29, 2020 – The International Association of Oil & Gas Producers (IOGP), the American Petroleum Institute (API) and the Asociación Mexicana de Empresas de Hidrocarburos (AMEXHI) today signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) formalizing their mutual cooperation to strengthen their working relationship and joint efforts to help advance operational performance across North America operations.

The MOU paves the way for enhanced coordination amongst the three associations, including joint forums on specific issues; technical workshops on topics such as Enhanced Oil Recovery (EOR), offshore safety, digital oil fields or hydraulic fracturing; as well as sharing of best practices on environmental performance, emergency response and many other areas pertaining to oil and gas operations.

The three associations will also work jointly on specific projects to promote advancement in areas such as health and safety performance, environmental protection in the Gulf of Mexico, legal frameworks and even cybersecurity.

“Today’s MOU was the natural way forward for our associations - it will help boost the operational performance of the oil and gas industry in Central and North America, including more consistent operational practices in the Gulf of Mexico. Partnering with API and AMEXHI will help to enhance safety, health, environmental protection and sustainability across our industry’s operations in the region,” IOGP Director of Americas Wafik Beydoun said.

“API furthers safe and efficient operations around the world through world-class standards and best practices. Through this MOU, our associations will collaborate and share best practices on ways to improve safety, environmental protection and sustainability across oil and gas operations in the Gulf of Mexico,” API Senior Vice President of Global Industry Services Debra Phillips said.

“For AMEXHI, this MOU represents the opportunity to implement in Mexico the best international practices in the operations of the oil and gas industry. Mexico benefits from this agreement by having available experiences and solutions to complex situations presented in other countries. Collaboration with API and IOGP will strengthen operations throughout the region, which will add great value to the global industry,” AMEXHI General Director Merlin Cochran said.

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## About IOGP

The International Association of Oil & Gas Producers (IOGP) is the voice of the global upstream industry. Our Members produce 40% of the world's oil and gas. They operate in all producing regions: The Americas, Africa, Europe, the Middle East, the Caspian, Asia and Australia.

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## About API

**API standards** are developed under API's American National Standards Institute accredited process, ensuring that the API standards are recognized not only for their technical rigor but also their third-party accreditation which facilitates acceptance by state, federal, and increasingly international regulators. API's GIS division is responsible for standards setting, certification, training, events, publications and safety programs for industry operations.

API is the only national trade association representing all facets of the natural gas and oil industry, which supports 10.3 million U.S. jobs and nearly 8 percent of the U.S. economy. API's more than 600 members include large integrated companies, as well as pipeline, exploration and production, refining, marketing, marine businesses, and service and supply firms. They provide most of the nation's energy and are backed by a growing grassroots movement of more than 47 million Americans. API was formed in 1919 as a standards-setting organization. In its first 100 years, API has developed more than 700 standards to enhance operational and environmental safety, efficiency and sustainability.

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## About AMEXHI

We are a non-profit civil association that brings together the main oil and gas investors and operators in Mexico. Our affiliated companies have diverse sizes, areas of expertise, and nationalities; they are interested in making investments in Mexico; they are also committed about carrying out safe, responsible and sustainable operations.

