# **Geothermal Energy Lab**

### Virtual Launch Workshop

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We would like to acknowledge the traditional territories of the people of the Treaty 7 region in Southern Alberta, which includes the Blackfoot Confederacy (comprising the Siksika, Piikani, and Kainai First Nations), as well as the Tsuut'ina First Nation, and the Stoney Nakoda (including the Chiniki, Bearspaw, and Wesley First Nations). The City of Calgary is also home to Métis Nation of Alberta, Region 3.

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9:00 am – 9:10 am	Virtual Welcome	Drs. Kantzas & Shor
9:10 am – 9:20 am	Vision and Goals of the Geothermal Energy Lab	Dr. Shor
9:20 am – 9:35 am	Exploration Geology and Geophysics	Dr. Gilbert
9:35 am – 9:50 am	Thermal & Fluid Flows in Reservoirs	Dr. Kantzas
9:50 am – 10:00 am	Break	
10:00 am – 10:15 am	Drilling & Well Construction	Dr. Shor
10:15 am – 10:30 am	Thermodynamics & Surface Facilities	Dr. Kantzas
10:30 am – 10:45 am	Sustainability and Social License	Dr. Burgart
10:45 am – 11:00 am	Geothermal Policy and Law	Dr. Ingelson
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## **Welcome & Introductions**

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- Presenters:
  - Name
  - Department / School
  - Research area

- Attendees
  - Name
  - Role
  - Company / Organization





"Geothermal Anywhere" through improved exploration, drilling efficiency, well layouts, reservoir management, surface facilities, energy conversion, heat re-use and close collaboration and buy-in from the community.



## **Goals of this workshop**

- Become acquainted with the research capabilities and expertise of the university in geothermal energy
- Connect with researchers

- Explore partnerships to address open research questions, including matching funding opportunities with NSERC, Mitacs and Alberta Innovates
- Evaluate the possibility of a proposal for the **CRIN** (Clean Resource Innovation Network) low emissions fuels competition



## **Research Focus Areas**

- Exploration Geology and Geophysics
- Thermal and Fluid Flows in Reservoirs
- Drilling and Well Designs
- Thermodynamics and Energy Conversions
- Sustainability, Social License and Indigenous Perspectives
- Geothermal Policy and Law



## **Students & their work**

- Research students pursuing an M.Sc. or Ph.D. in Engineering, Geophysics and Geology
- M.Sc. students in the Sustainable Energy Development Program
- J.D. students in the Faculty of Law
- Undergraduate student capstone projects

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### Selected Past Projects:

### Bachelor of Science (B.Sc.)

- Geothermal Energy Recovery (Chemical Engineering capstone project, 2020 and 2021)
- Rig hydraulic design to enable survival of electronics while drilling 200°+C formations (Multidisciplinary capstone project, 2021)

### Master of Science (M.Sc.)

- Coffey, J. R. (2020). <u>Characterization of the southern Rocky Mountain Trench</u> <u>near Valemount, British Columbia, using receiver functions</u>
- Omusi, D. (2019). <u>Optimal Energy Management of a SAGD Microgrid</u> <u>Participating in a Volatile Electricity Market</u>
- Skripkin, E. (2015). <u>Effective Thermal Conductivity in Porous Media: An</u> Integrated Approach

### Master of Science (M.Sc.) in Sustainable Energy Development

- Adepoju, Y. O. (2020). <u>Business Case for Geothermal Energy Development to</u> power LNG Project in BC
- Lea, E. (2020). <u>A Step Towards A Lower Carbon Future: Integrating Closed</u>
  Loop Geothermal Technology in District Cooling Applications
- Moazami, S. (2020). <u>Feasibility Analysis on Geothermal Heat Storage</u> <u>Capacity and Recovery of Alberta's Decommissioned Wells</u>



## **Funding Opportunities**

### NSERC

- Alliance: 1:1 or 2:1 matching of industry cash contributions for fundamental and applied research & development for 1-5 year projects
- Alberta Innovates
  - Campus Alberta Small Business Engagement Program matches NSERC contributions for Alliance projects with partner companies with <\$50M in revenue
  - NSERC/AI Advance provides up to \$150,000 / year for two years to advance technologies currently in TRL 2-4

### Mitacs

- Accelerate: Provides matching funding for 4-month internships for students (\$7,500 / 4 month term)
- **Elevate**: Matching funding for a dedicated postdoctoral fellow for 2 years (\$30,000 / year; 2 year commitment)









## **Funding Opportunities**



- Low Emission Fuels and Products Technology Competition (\$25 million)
  - Focus areas include (but not limited to) innovative products from hydrocarbons such as carbon fibre; carbon capture and utilization; hydrogen and geothermal and low carbon intensity alternatives and new fuels
  - Maximum \$10 million to any one project
  - EOI application window March 31 June 9, 2021 with contracting and award expected December 2021 - January 2022
  - Information webinar April 21, 2021, 9:00 a.m. PT (recording available)
  - Competition coordinator: <u>Foresight Cleantech Accelerator Centre</u> (Foresight CAC) and The Delphi Group



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### Breakout Rooms (initial interest)

#### **Exploration Geology and Geophysics**

First Name	Last Name	Company
Dan	Palombi	AER/Alberta Geological Survey
Matt	Grobe	Alberta Geological Survey
Katherine	Huang	Alberta No. 1
Bez	Hoxha	Baker Hughes
Alison	Thompson	Borealis GeoPower
Alex	Filstein	ConocoPhillips
Julian	Ortiz	ConocoPhillips
Srishti	Pahel	ConocoPhillips
David	Garcia	Emerson
Dennis	Ellison	Emerson E&P Software Canada
Stephen	Grasby	Geological Survey of Canada
Phil	Harms	GEOSEIS Inc.

#### Sustainability, Social License and **Indigenous Perspectives**

First Name	Last Name	Company	Ale
Julian	Ortiz	ConocoPhillips	Jul
Srishti	Pahel	ConocoPhillips	Sris
Robert	Mugo	COSIA	Ari
Ariel	Torre	Eavor Technologies inc.	Chi
Dennis	Ellison	Emerson E&P Software Canada	Juli
Chioma	Izugbokwe	Government of Yukon	_

### **Drilling and Completions**

First Name	Last Name	Company
Bez	Hoxha	Baker Hughes
John	Macpherson	Baker Hughes
Alex	Filstein	ConocoPhillips
Julian	Ortiz	ConocoPhillips
Srishti	Pahel	ConocoPhillips
Stephen	Arseniuk	COSIA
Ariel	Torre	Eavor Technologies inc.
Dennis	Ellison	Emerson E&P Software Canada
Chioma	Izugbokwe	Government of Yukon
Harish	Kumar	ConocoPhillips

#### **Geothermal Policy and Law**

First Name	Last Name	Company
Manjot	Klair	CanGEA
Alex	Filstein	ConocoPhillips
Julian	Ortiz	ConocoPhillips
Srishti	Pahel	ConocoPhillips
Ariel	Torre	Eavor Technologies inc.
Chioma	Izugbokwe	Government of Yukon
Julia	Ciccaglione	Kalina Distributed Power
		Northwest Territories Geological
Viktor	Terlaky	Survey

#### Combined

#### Thermodynamics and Surface Facilities

First Name	Last Name	Company
Alex	Filstein	ConocoPhillips
Julian	Ortiz	ConocoPhillips
Srishti	Pahel	ConocoPhillips
Javier	Sanchez	ConocoPhillips
Abby	Trigg	ConocoPhillips
Stephen	Arseniuk	COSIA
Ariel	Torre	Eavor Technologies inc.
David	Garcia	Emerson
Dennis	Ellison	Emerson E&P Software Canada
Duke	Anderson	Energi Simulation
Hamed	Motahhari	Imperial Oil
Harish	Kumar	ConocoPhillips

#### **Thermal and Fluid Flows in Reservoirs**

First Name	Last Name	Company
Alex	Filstein	ConocoPhillips
Gustavo	Gomez	ConocoPhillips
Julian	Ortiz	ConocoPhillips
Srishti	Pahel	ConocoPhillips
Javier	Sanchez	ConocoPhillips
Ariel	Torre	Eavor Technologies inc.
David	Garcia	Emerson
Dennis	Ellison	ENERGYminute Education Foundation
Phil	Harms	GEOSEIS Inc.
Hamed	Motahhari	Imperial Oil
Mark	Mirolli	Kalina Distributed Power
Kathy	Cheung	Suncor Energy Inc.
Harish	Kumar	ConocoPhillips





