

2026



# INTERNATIONAL ENERGY CONFERENCE



University of Regina, Regina,  
Saskatchewan, Canada

July 27 - 31, 2026



# First Announcement of the International Energy Conference 2026 (IEC 2026)

## OVERVIEW

To address the global challenges of energy transition and climate change and to promote low-carbon development as well as the coordinated utilisation of fossil and non-fossil energy, the **First International Energy Conference (IEC 2026)** will be held from **July 27–31, 2026**, at the **University of Regina, Saskatchewan, Canada**.

With the theme “**Energize the World**”, the conference aims to bring together experts, scholars, researchers, and policy makers from around the globe to discuss critical issues such as Enhanced Oil Recovery (EOR), Carbon Capture, Utilization and Storage (CCUS), energy transition, and multi-energy integration. The conference seeks to foster interdisciplinary collaboration and technological innovation toward building a clean, efficient, and sustainable energy future.

Located in Regina, the capital city of Saskatchewan, Canada, the region enjoys moderate summer temperatures, abundant sunshine, and a pleasant climate with beautiful surroundings. Regina and its surrounding areas are internationally recognized for their leadership in carbon dioxide storage and enhanced oil recovery (EOR). The world-renowned Weyburn CO<sub>2</sub>-EOR and storage project and the PTRC Aquistore project, both situated within 250 km of Regina, serve as key global demonstration sites for CCUS technologies.

Saskatchewan also possesses abundant non-fossil energy resources. Its flat terrain offers high wind energy potential, and its ample solar radiation makes it one of the most favourable regions in Canada for solar energy development. Moreover, the province hosts the world’s largest uranium reserves, providing a strong foundation for the advancement of nuclear energy and small modular reactor (SMR) technologies.

The University of Regina is honoured to host IEC 2026, and warmly invites experts, scholars, researchers, and professionals from universities, research institutions, energy companies, and policy organisations worldwide to participate in this conference.



## HOST INSTITUTION

University of Regina

## CONFERENCE THEME AND SCOPE

### 1. Conference Theme

“Energize the World”

### 2. Conference Symposia and Topics

#### *(1) EOR & CCUS Symposium*




- Chemical EOR/IOR
- Gas Injection EOR
- Thermal Processes
- Unconventional Reservoir Development and EOR
- CO<sub>2</sub> Capture Processes
- CO<sub>2</sub> Geological Storage
- CCUS Projects and Policy

#### *(2) Energy Transition and Integration Symposium*

- Non-Fossil Fuel Energies
- Helium and Hydrogen Production
- Energy Storage
- Water Management and Industrial Waste
- Bridging the Gap – Fossil Fuel as an Integral Part of the Energy Transition
- AI Applications in Energy

#### *(3) Workshop for the Canadian Association of Chinese Professors (CACP) —Multi-disciplinary Research Integration*

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## CONFERENCE ORGANIZATION

### 1. Conference Organizing Committee

**Dr. Phillip Choi** – Professor and Dean, Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science, University of Regina; *FCIC, FEIC, FRSC*

**Dr. Malcolm Wilson** – Member of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC); *Contributor to the 2007 Nobel Peace Prize*

**Dr. Paitoon Tontiwachwuthikul** – Professor, Fellow of the Canadian Academy of Engineering (CAE)

**Dr. Yongan (Peter) Gu** – Professor, Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science, University of Regina

**Dr. Farshid Torabi** – Professor, Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science, University of Regina

**Dr. Na (Jenna) Jia** – Professor and Program Chair, Energy Systems Engineering, Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science, University of Regina

**Dr. Zhenhua Rui** – Professor, China University of Petroleum (Beijing) and University of Regina

**Dr. Fanhua (Bill) Zeng** – Professor, Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science, University of Regina

### 2. Advisory Committee – To be finalized

### 3. Academic and Publication Committee – To be finalized

### 4. Finance and Sponsorship Committee – To be finalized

### 5. Industry Liaison and Exhibition Committee – To be finalized

### 6. Young Scholars Committee – To be finalized



## CONFERENCE DATE AND VENUE

**Conference Date:** July 27, 2026 – July 31, 2026

**Conference Venue:** University of Regina, Regina, Saskatchewan, Canada

## CONFERENCE PROGRAM AND PRESENTATION FORMATS

The conference will span **five days**, with the following schedule:

Date	Main Activities	Time	Location
July 27 (Monday)	Short Courses	08:30 – 17:30	University of Regina
July 28 – July 30 (Tuesday – Thursday)	Conference Sessions, Symposia, and Workshops	08:30 – 17:30	University of Regina
July 31 (Friday)	Field Trip	08:30 – 17:30	Estevan and Other Places

## IMPORTANT DATES

Abstract Submission Opens	December 1, 2025
Abstract Submission Deadline	February 1, 2026
Notification of Acceptance	March 1, 2026
Full Paper Submission Deadline	July 1, 2026
Presentation PPT Submission Deadline	July 15, 2026
Conference Dates	July 28, 2026 – July 30, 2026

**Note:** All deadlines are based on Regina time (Central Standard Time, Canada).



## CONFERENCE PAPERS

### 1. Presentation and Submission Options

IEC 2026 provides four pathways for academic communication, which authors may select during abstract submission:

#### ***(1) Presentation Only***

Authors deliver an oral or poster presentation without submitting a full-length paper. The authors retain the copyright of their presentation files.

#### ***(2) Presentation and Journal Submission via Conference***

After the abstract is accepted, authors submit a full-length paper and present it orally or as a poster. During the conference, handling editors from cooperating journals will conduct peer reviews in accordance with each journal's standard review process. Article Processing Charges (APC), if applicable, and copyright policies will follow the regulations of the respective journals. Several SCI-indexed partner journals have been confirmed and will be announced soon.

#### ***(3) Presentation and Independent Journal Submission***

After the abstract is accepted and the presentation scheduled, authors may independently submit their manuscript to a journal of their own choice. These submissions are not directly affiliated with the conference publication process.

#### ***(4) Presentation and Conference Proceedings Inclusion***

After the abstract is accepted, authors are invited to submit the full paper. If the paper is not accepted by a partner journal, authors may choose to include it in the IEC 2026 Conference Proceedings, which will be indexed in major international academic databases such as Scopus for indexing, access, and citation.

***Note:*** Full-paper submission is optional. Publication venue, review outcome, and schedule are determined by the respective editorial offices.



## 2. Abstract Submission Guidelines

- Abstracts must be written in English, approximately **300–500 words**, and may optionally include one or two key figures or tables.
- Download the **Abstract Template** from the conference website under the Submission section and fill in the title, authors, affiliations, corresponding author's email, keywords, and abstract text.
- Submit the completed PDF or Word file via email to [2026iec@uregina.ca](mailto:2026iec@uregina.ca), with the subject line: *IEC2026\_Abstract\_<First Author's Surname>\_<Topic Area>*
- File naming format:  
**IEC2026\_Abstract\_T#S#\_Surname\_FirstInitial\_YYYYMMDD.pdf**  
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(*T# = Theme number [T1–T3]; S# = Subtopic number [S1–S8]; Date = YYYYMMDD*)
- Submissions must be original and unpublished elsewhere. Content should align with conference themes, and all references must be properly cited. Figures and tables must have copyright clearance. If human or machine experimental data are involved, an ethics compliance statement should be included.

## 3. Review and Session Arrangement

- **Review Process:** The Academic and Publication Committee will conduct a single-blind review to assess abstracts for academic quality and relevance. Topics may be merged or reassigned as needed.
- **Presentation Format:** Based on review results and scheduling, presentations will be assigned as Oral or Poster presentations. Oral presentations are allocated **15 minutes plus 5 minutes** for discussion.
- **Notification:** Acceptance notifications and official invitation letters (for visa or reimbursement purposes) will be sent by email.



#### 4. Full Paper and Presentation Material Submission

##### *(1) Full Paper Submission (Optional):*

- For authors selecting “Presentation and Journal Submission via Conference,” detailed submission instructions—including templates, submission systems, and formatting requirements—will be provided by the cooperating journals.

##### *(2) Presentation Materials (Required for All Presenters):*

- **PPT submission deadline:** July 15, 2026
- **File naming format:**  
IEC2026\_Presentation\_T#S#\_Surname\_FirstInitial\_ConferenceID.pptx
- **Submission method:** After updating the official presentation template, submit the file by email.

### CONFERENCE REGISTRATION AND FEES

To ensure the smooth organization of the conference, all participants are requested to complete their registration and payment on time. All fees are listed in Canadian dollars (CAD). The early-bird registration discount will be valid until the specified deadline. Registration fees include conference materials, the abstract book, coffee breaks, and conference activities (unless otherwise specified).

#### 1. Registration Categories and Fees

Category	Standard Fee (CAD)	Early-bird Fee (CAD)	Notes
Regular Participant	880	730	Includes all conference sessions and materials
Presenting Author	600	N/A	Includes oral/poster presentation and materials
Group Registration (up to 4 participants)	2500	N/A	Group discount (up to four participants)
Companion	200	N/A	For non-academic activities only
Student	300	N/A	Valid student ID required





## 2. Short Courses

Professional short courses will be held in conjunction with the conference. Registration can be completed separately or together with conference registration. Seats are limited and will be assigned on a first-come, first-served basis.

Course Type	Registration Fee (CAD)
Half-day Course	600
Full-day Course	1000

## 3. Registration Procedure

Participants are invited to complete online registration through the official conference website: [www.iec-cie.org](http://www.iec-cie.org) (see the “**Registration**” section).

A confirmation email containing registration instructions will be sent by email.

## SPONSORSHIP AND EXHIBITION

The conference warmly welcomes broad participation and support from government representatives, research institutes, energy enterprises, and service companies. In addition to multiple sponsorship categories, IEC 2026 also offers exhibition opportunities. The standard booth size is **10 ft × 8 ft (≈ 3.0 m × 2.4 m)**. Exhibitors are encouraged to showcase their latest technologies and products to foster academic–industry collaboration and knowledge exchange.

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## CLOSING STATEMENT

We sincerely invite experts, scholars, government representatives, and industry professionals from around the world to join us in exploring new theories, frontiers, technologies, and practices in the fields of energy science and engineering, as well as carbon storage science and engineering.

We look forward to your participation and valuable contributions to this exciting international event.

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