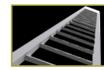
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CO2 Recovery and Storage Conference

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Lamar University will be hosting the CO2 Recovery and Storage Conference for the first time ever Monday, June 19 – Wednesday, June 21. The first two days will feature the 2nd International Workshop on Offshore Geologic CO2 Storage. The third day will feature a Carbon Safe Workshop.

"We have about 25-30 scientists from across Europe attending and presenting their ideas," said Paul Latiolais, director of Lamar University's Center for Innovation, Commercialization and Entrepreneurship (CICE), where the conference is being held.

Approximately 60 attendees from industry, research and elsewhere are expected, including 45 international attendees from around 10 different countries including Norway, the UK, Scotland, South Africa, Taiwan, Canada, Brazil, Japan and the Netherlands.

"CO2 is commonly an emission, but is used in the exploration and refining process," Latiolais said. "The idea is to capture the exhausted CO2 and either recycle or store it for future use. As UT Bureau of Economic Geology puts it, turn a waste product into a valuable commodity. It is as much as an economic benefit as it is environmental."

Wednesday, June 21, from 3-6 p.m., the public is invited to attend the CO2 Capture and Subsurface Geologic Storage Open House, where energy professionals, community leaders, students and others are invited to meet with regional and international experts to learn about carbon capture, utilization and storage technology and provide local community input about potential projects in the region.

"It's really an opportunity for the local community to learn more from both these international experts as well as to hear from some of their local industries and some of their community members," said Dr. Tip Meckel, research scientist at the Gulf Coast Carbon Center at the Texas Bureau of Economic Geology, located at the University of Texas at Austin. Meckel is one of the organizers of the conference as well as a speaker. "They'll be a variety of informal booths with information. ... It's their opportunity to hear from experts, see some demonstrations, and interact with scientists and business and community leaders. We're really hoping to get some engagement from the community and have them learn more about some projects that are planned and how they can benefit both on the environmental side and economic growth side."

Lamar University's CICE building is at 5091 Rolfe Christopher Drive in Beaumont. For more information contact Paul Latiolais at (409) 880-8436 or paul.latiolais@lamar.edu.

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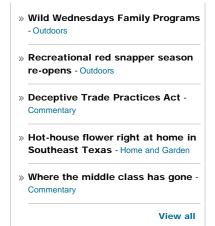


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