



GeoGulf '21 Featured New Energy Technology, Cool Austin Vibe

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The AAPG Gulf Coast Section, also known as the Gulf Coast Association of Geological Societies, presented a radical change from past conventions by delivering innovative sessions and speakers on alternative energy, including hydrogen storage, geothermal energy and underground carbon capture and sequestration. The program also provided research data and large-scale studies of Gulf of Mexico oil and gas. The 71st Annual GCAGS Convention was a memorable event, held Oct. 27-29 at the Renaissance Hotel on the west side of Austin, a few miles from the Texas Bureau of Economic Geology headquarters. GeoGulf is hosted by the Austin Geological Society and cohosted by the GCSSEPM.

"I think it was important and timely to have the GeoGulf '21 in-person this year in Austin and provide a forum where Gulf Coast geoscientists can meet and greet," said GCAGS President Mark Shuster, who is also the deputy director of the BEG Energy Division. "We have seen changes in the oil and gas industry reflecting ESG (environmental, social and corporate governance). Companies large and small are

developing new businesses in carbon storage, water management, hydrogen and critical minerals. There is a newfound appreciation for accurate geological characterizations in shale gas and tight resources.”

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