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The Opening Session is scheduled for 28 August at 4:00 PM at the George R. Brown Convention Center and will begin with welcomes from SEG President Anna Shaughnessy and AAPG President Steven Goolsby, followed by presentations of SEG's Maurice Ewing Medal and Virgil Kauffman Gold Medal, AAPG's Sidney Powers Memorial and Michel T. Halbouty Outstanding Leadership awards, and AGI's Marcus Milling Legendary Geoscientist Medal.

This session also features and concludes with a thoughtful and compelling panel discussion on The Many Faces of Energy Poverty. When it comes to energy, the political discourse and media framing are often centered on climate change, renewables, net-zero emissions and, most recently, EVs and the price at the pump. What’s seldom punctuated is the fact that 45% of the world’s population still struggles with access to energy for basic needs.

Join our panelists, moderated by Dr. Scott Tinker, as they share their personal experiences with the many faces of energy poverty: access, environmental impact and reliability, and investment and security.

**Moderator:**

**Scott Tinker**, Director, Bureau of Economic Geology; State Geologist of Texas; Professor, Edwin Allday Endowed Chair in Subsurface Geology, Jackson School of Geosciences, The University of Texas at Austin
Panelists:

- Lorena Moscardelli, Research Scientist and Principal Investigator, State of Texas Advanced Resource Recovery (STARR) Program, Bureau of Economic Geology, Jackson School of Geosciences, The University of Texas at Austin
- Syed Talha Tirmizi, MS Petroleum Engineering, Hildebrand Department of Petroleum and Geosystems Engineering, The University of Texas at Austin
- Aken Tong, Founder, Seeding Mercy Inc.

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