

## OIL SHALE NEWS

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### **Call for abstracts International Oil Shale Symposium Tallinn, Estonia – June 2009**

#### **When?**

8–11 June 2009 – 2 days of panels, 2 days of field trips

#### **Why?**

Escalating commodity prices and political instability related to oil production are driving the development of oil shale resources across the globe. In terms of shale oil production, total world resources of oil shale are conservatively estimated to be at least 3 trillion barrels, which exceed current proved conventional oil reserves by at least 3 times. Shale oil production can be economic and the technology is developing. Estonia is the frontrunner in oil shale utilization – unlocking the potential of the future energy resource.

#### **Submitting an abstract:**

To submit your abstract electronically and to view all abstract submission instructions, please go to [www.oilshalesymposium.com](http://www.oilshalesymposium.com) > Abstracts

Airmailed or faxed abstracts will not be accepted. Notification of abstract receipt will be automatically displayed after successful submission. In case of any difficulties during the submission, please contact the Symposium Secretariat: [conference@frens.ee](mailto:conference@frens.ee)

*\* Abstracts must be submitted in English.*

#### **Symposium topics:**

- Exploration and Mining
- Retorting Technologies
- Combustion Technologies
- Environment & Carbon Management
- Country & Industry Developments

We also welcome abstracts from other subject areas.

#### **Important dates:**

- Electronic abstract submission will open November 17th, 2008 and close February 1st, 2009.
- Conference early registration will open November 17th and close April 1st.
- Authors will be notified of abstract acceptance by the end of March.
- Conference late registration will open April 2nd and close April 20th. No on-site registration is permitted.
- All conference, field trip and hotel reservations can be cancelled for a full refund before April 20th. No refunds after April 20th.

**Field trips:**

Lectures and tours in the heart of the Estonian oil shale industry will include: above and below ground mining sites, the world's largest oil shale fuelled power plants and a shale oil production plant. Visitors will have an unprecedented opportunity to meet and consult with the top management and experts of these oil shale utilization companies. Please see the website for more information.

**Who?**

We expect to draw a large international audience of oil shale interests from across the world, who are interested in the development and use of fuels alternative to oil and coal. Participants will include research, academic, government and industry representatives, with significant participation from Europe and Emerging Europe, including Russia.

**The Symposium language will be English.**

Please see the conference website for more information about what is included in both the conference and field trip fees.

**Conference fees:**

Early registration (November 17): 200 EUR  
Late registration (April 2 – April 20): 250 EUR  
Students : 150 EUR

**Field trip fees:**

Field trips are available for an additional cost.

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