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**Texas A&M Turbo Lab to host two-day Asia Turbomachinery & Pump Industry Summit in July** ATP Industry Summit continues learning, networking opportunities in biennial Asia Turbomachinery & Pump Symposium off-year

The Turbomachinery Laboratory at Texas A&M University, host of the biennial Asia Turbomachinery & Pump Symposium (ATPS) in Southeast Asia, will offer a free continuing education event in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia in July.

The Asia Turbomachinery & Pump Industry Summit (ATP Industry Summit) is a two-day informationsharing, training and networking event for practitioners in rotating equipment and related fields. The event, set for 10-11 July at the Kuala Lumpur Convention Center, is free to attend upon presentation of a business card; no pre-registration necessary. Single-subject intensive short courses will be held in conjunction with the Industry Summit 8-9 July. Short courses will have a registration fee, and preregistration is encouraged as space is limited.

The ATP Industry Summit is a new program intended to support and enhance the biennial ATPS, slated for spring 2020. While the ATP Industry Summit will not include an exhibition, continuing education and networking opportunities abound. The summit will include addresses from industry leaders including Petronas and Mitsubishi Heavy Industries. These lectures will examine industry trends along with products and processes that focus on current and future industry needs and will include time for questions from the audience. The Malaysia Investment Development Authority address will identify goals and objectives for Malaysia specifically as they relate to oil and gas, petrochemical, aerospace, power, and water/wastewater applications.

Technical sessions at the summit will allow attendees to interact with industry leaders and colleagues, and equip them with valuable information that can immediately impact company operations. The program will include two panel sessions, a tutorial, and eight case studies drawn from both ATPS and the longstanding Turbomachinery & Pump Symposia (TPS), held annually in Houston. Summit content will be finalized in March and schedule available at <u>turbolab.tamu.edu/industrysummit/</u>.

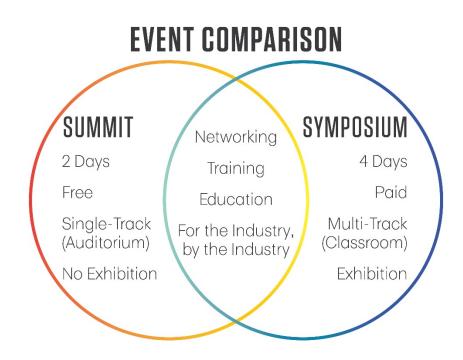
"ATPS is a unique program, both the symposium and summit, in that we are industry focused and guided by an elite group of industry practitioners," said Dag O. Calafell, chair of the ATPS advisory

committee who oversees the program for the biennial ATPS and the ATP Industry Summit. "The opportunity to come to this Industry Summit, at no cost, is a way to gain valuable information in a short time frame." Calafell, retired, was a chief machinery engineer for ExxonMobil. He has 40 years of experience in management, engineering and operations in the oil and gas industry.

Dr. Eric L. Petersen, director of the Turbo Lab, supports the expansion of ATPS programs into Kuala Lumpur. Petersen has active research projects throughout the world in the areas of power generation gas turbines, advanced measurement techniques, aerospace propulsion, and supercritical CO<sub>2</sub> systems.

"As the director of a world-class research laboratory doing both fundamental and industry-relevant research, it is easy to see the value of the professional development and continuing education programs we do, and we get consistent feedback from global industry leaders on the importance of our symposia," Petersen said. "The annual Turbomachinery and Pump Symposia held in Houston is our keystone, and we are pleased to bring this same approach into the Asia region, particularly to Malaysia, a vibrant country with vast growth opportunities."

To learn more about the ATP Industry Summit, visit <u>turbolab.tamu.edu/industrysummit/</u>.



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