



Education Subcommittee Update

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Stand-in Chair: Carol Mann

Dynamic Graphics, Inc.

Education SC Chairperson

Mahmoud ElGizawy

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- PhD & MSc in Geomatics Engineering, U. of Calgary
- 25 years in positioning and navigation (20 years in wellbore positioning)
- Based in Bucharest, Romania



Carol Mann

- WellArchitect Product Manager, Dynamic Graphics, Inc
- MS Geophysics, Stanford University
- 22 years in wellbore positioning software
- 37 years in O&G modeling / visualization software





Mission Statement

- ISCWSA Education Subcommittee is an advisory body dedicated to raising awareness of wellbore positioning practices and challenges within the drilling industry through **online courses**, workshops, webinars, eBooks, public lectures, and other media.



Activities

Professional and Young Professional Awareness

- SPE Live and Webinars
- Distinguished Lecture
- Hits and Misses proposal – target young professional
- ISCWSA Course Scholarship
- ISCWSA Powerpoint Slides



SPE Webinars / SPE Live 2025

- One Webinar and One SPE Live Planned for 2025
- 14-July-2025 SPE Webinar
 - Looking Back, Looking Now, Looking Forward
 - John de Wardt (Speaker)
 - David Gibson (Moderator)
- 5-Nov-2025 SPE Live
 - Georgy Rassadkin on Ranging (Speaker)
 - David Gibson (Moderator)
- Action item to contact SPE for 2026 dates
- Other topics??? Contact Mahmoud!





Distinguished Lecturer Program



**SPE DISTINGUISHED
LECTURERSM**

Jonathan Lightfoot (2024-2025)

Recommended Practice for Safe
Separation, Surveying, and Wellbore
Positioning



Distinguished Lecturer Program



Adrian Ledroz (2025-2026)

High-definition Wellbore Trajectory – Drilling, Completion, and Production Considerations

Dec 04 - 09, 2025 South Korea / Philippines / Indonesia /
Indonesia

Feb 25 - Mar 04, 2026 Venezuela / Venezuela / Colombia /
Colombia / Colombia

Apr 21 - 29, 2026 Romania / Spain / Portugal / Angola
/ Uganda



Hitting Targets / Avoiding Hazards ATW

- SPE 2.5-day Advanced Technical Workshop
- Delivered by industry SMEs on Wellbore Positioning
- Tentative Program
 - Introduction to WP
 - Directional database
 - Error models
 - Survey correction
 - Collision avoidance
 - Well interception and its applications
- Organizer Volunteers: Robert Wylie and Carol Mann
- Revised name from “Collision Avoidance and Well Interception,” aka “Hits and Misses”
- Previous Discussions:
 - Consider 1-day only
 - Ross and Benny volunteered at speakers
- Update: Reached out to SPWLA to target subsurface population
- Coordinate with SPE



ISCWSA Course Scholarship

- Webpage is published
- Access via link on Education SC page

ISCWSA Wellbore Positioning Course Scholarship

Students who are eligible for a scholarship and are willing to commit 4-6 hours per week throughout the eight-week course are encouraged to fill out the application below to apply for scholarship.

ABOUT THE COURSE

APPLY NOW

- Better advertising (LinkedIn / Facebook)
- Share with your recruiters

A screenshot of the ISCWSA Scholarship Form webpage. The browser address bar shows 'https://www.iscwsa.net/forms/iscwsa-scholarship-form/'. The page has a navigation bar with links for 'Community', 'Apps', 'Reports', and 'Forms'. The main heading is 'ISCWSA SCHOLARSHIP FORM'. Below this, the title 'ISCWSA Wellbore Positioning Course Scholarship' is followed by a description: 'The ISCWSA Wellbore Positioning Course is based on the ISCWSA free eBook "Introduction to Wellbore Positioning". Using a mixture of videos, training exercises, and self-study material, it covers subjects such as mapping and geodesy, directional drilling, surveying, survey uncertainties, and high accuracy directional drilling. Students who are eligible for a scholarship and are willing to commit 4-6 hours per week throughout the eight-week course are encouraged to fill out the application below to apply for scholarship.' The form includes input fields for 'First Name*', 'Last Name*', 'Address*', 'City*', 'State*' (a dropdown menu), and 'Zipcode*'. There is a large text area for 'Please provide in 500 words or less your background (Education, career, etc)*'. At the bottom, there is a field for 'What is your current role and status? (i.e. student/employed; full-time/part-time?)*'.



Reach out to professionals and young professionals

Please forward SPE WPTS/ISCWSA emails to:

- Your colleagues
- Your colleges
- Attend virtually
- Work with the new Young Professional Liaison



Giving a talk related to wellbore positioning?

- Mention the ISCWSA
- Utilize our slide deck:
 - What
 - Who
 - Meetings
 - Activities
 - Links

What is ISCWSA?

The Industry Steering Committee on Wellbore Survey Accuracy

SPE WPTS – Wellbore Positioning Technical Section

Primary aim* is:

- Produce and maintain standards relating to wellbore survey accuracy
- Set terminology and accuracy specification standards
- Establish a standard framework for the modelling and validation of tool performance
- Raise awareness & understanding of wellbore survey accuracy

*Blatantly plagiarized from the ISWSA Mission





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- ISCWSA Course Update

eBooks Update

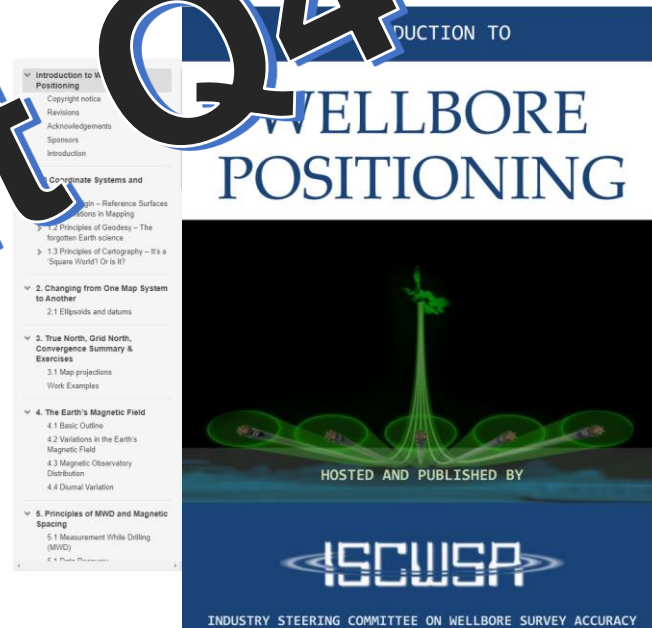
Introduction to WBP

- New Revision draft is complete
- Target to be published Q4 2024
- Cover update (remove UHI) / new design
- Each section now has a 'Points to consider' addition to the section with additional comments and some key takeaways from the section
- WPTS AC Update
- Error model section simplified – reference to EBN SC live document
- Angus and Mahmoud (separate introductory materials and advanced materials moved to separate sources)
- WBP eBook Web version is available (considering flippingbook.com)

ISCWSA hosting/copy right of eBooks

- Introduction to WBP
- Well Interception
- Survey QC (World Progress)

DONE out Q4





Course Update

- 146 graduates to date from:
 - 6 Continents
 - 18 Countries
- Current cohort #11: 17 students
- Next up: Cohort #12 Jan 2026
- Course update is well under way, with a couple more Units to complete for later weeks in the course.

THE ISCWSA WELLBORE POSITIONING COURSE

NEXT COURSE STARTS SEPTEMBER 2024 APPLICATIONS ARE NOW BEING ACCEPTED.

This course is based on the ISCWSA free eBook "Introduction to Wellbore Positioning". The next groups will start in September 2024, and January 2025.

Using a mixture of videos, training exercises, and self-study material, it covers subjects such as Mapping, directional drilling, surveying, survey uncertainties, and high accuracy...

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1.1.1 Mapping History

Mapping History video

Project from the centre of the Earth

And when we do that, we've projected every point on the Earth's surface with the exception of the North Pole onto the sphere.

Now, clearly, if we were to continue to go to higher and higher altitudes there would be an enormous vertical stretch.

And so the Mercator projection is only published to make 90 degrees of latitude practical.

What this does mathematically is it creates the same amount of stretch north south as we have east west.

And so in general the shapes of the countries are about right. But the sizes of the countries are enormously distorted.

Take a look at Greenland now. If I told you that you could fit the whole of Greenland 10 times into the continent of Africa you now get an idea of how much scale distortion we're talking about.

You know that people in Greenland see this map. I believe there's only 55 thousand people live there, but according to the map they have one of the

STARTS SEP 2024

APPLICATIONS ARE NOW BEING ACCEPTED.

ENDS DEC 2024

TUITION FEE \$1,200

APPLY NOW

Course Benefits

- Industry recognized certificate
- Be more informed in your work
- Expert instructors
- Paced to fit working students

FAQs & Support Help

How do I earn this course's Certificate?

How long do I keep the course?

What daily hours are recommended?

What's in this course?

The course has 7 main teaching modules, in addition to introductions and reviews. It is expected that 2 modules will be completed every three weeks. Click on each "Week" Module to for an overview of what is included.



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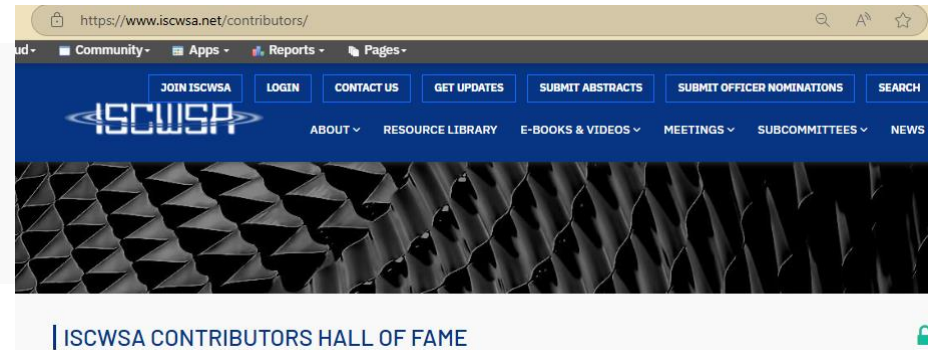
- eBook Update
- ISCWSA Course Update

Recognition of contributors to ISCWSA (error models, etc.)

ISCWSA Hall of Fame

ISCWSA acknowledgement of long time contributors

HALL OF FAME



- “Hall of fame” page is live, but...
- Work-in-progress
- Can be accessed via Education SC page
- Will present to board for final approval of the current list



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Student Awareness

- WPTS Directional Drilling Competition proposal
- PetroBowl
- Student Chapters Engagement



WPTS Directional Drilling Competition Live Webpage

- Reach out to
Geosteering World
Cup

DIGITAL DIRECTIONAL DRILLING COMPETITION

📅 COMPETITION STARTS 1-APR-2025

You're invited to participate in an exciting Virtual Directional Drilling Competition hosted by ISCWSA, where your skills will be put to the test in a simulated drilling environment! Using directional drilling simulation software, you'll navigate through challenging well path and showcase your expertise in directional drilling.

📅 ENTER THE COMPETITION



Put Your Skills to the Test

Put your skills to the test in a simulated drilling environment! Using directional drilling simulation software, you'll navigate through challenging well path and showcase your expertise in directional drilling. The goal? To drill the well in the least number of runs and as quickly as possible! Compete against top talents, sharpen your precision, and claim the title of the fastest and most efficient virtual directional driller. Don't miss this chance to prove your mastery—join us and take on the challenge!

📅 STARTS 1-APR-2025

⌚ ENTRIES ARE NOW BEING
ACCEPTED.

🕒 ENDS 30-APRIL-2025

🏆 WINNERS ANNOUNCED 31-MAY-
2025

📅 ENTER NOW

Winner Prizes

- 🏆 First Prize \$ 1000
- 🥈 Second Prize \$ 750
- 🥉 Third Prize \$ 500



PetroBowl

PetroBowl[®] Competition

The PetroBowl[®] competition matches SPE student chapter teams against one another in a fast-paced quiz competition covering technical and nontechnical aspects of the oil and gas industry.

<https://www.spe.org/en/students/petrobowl/>

- Connect with PetroBowl competition team to include questions on WBS
- Looking for contributions
- ***Submit your Wellbore Positioning questions*** via PetroBowl link

<https://www.spe.org/en/students/petrobowl/>

ISCWSA - PetroBowl Q&A Submittal

The PetroBowl is an international competition hosted by the SPE that pits student chapter teams against each other in a series of quick-fire Q&A rounds related to the Oil & Gas industry. This is a great opportunity for the ISCWSA to continue spreading the message of the importance of wellbore positioning.



Acknowledgement

- Education SC members are acknowledged for their participation and contribution to the SC activities
- Participants in this week's meeting:
 - Carol Mann, Dynamic Graphics
 - Ryan Kirby, SQC
 - Mike Long, Round LAB
 - Tim Paton, SQC
 - Josh Albright, SQC
 - Austin Pile, SDI
 - Ken Miller, Erdos Miller
 - David Erdos, Erdos Miller
 - Jocelyn Comte, PathControl
 - Mallore Schurr, AI Driller
 - Joel Dunn, AI Driller
 - Robert Wylie, Xn Drilling
 - Matt Weber, Shell
 - *Online:*
 - Harald Bolt, Depth Solutions
 - Knut Ness, ADNOC
 - Nestor Eduardo Ruiz