



## ASPO-USA Denver Conference Oct. 11 - 13 Reminder

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2009 ASPO International Peak Oil Conference is less than three weeks away, October 11-13, 2009. Don't miss this opportunity to hear up to date information, analysis, and discussion from the world's leading experts on energy and our future. The conference includes over 70 speakers and a Saturday pre conference workshop on creating personal plans for the coming decades.

The complete agenda is shown below, with links to details and speaker biographies. The version on the ASPO-USA web site can be reached at this [link](#).

Experts from The Oil Drum are represented in a The Oil Drum focused breakout session ( Sunday 10:15 to 12:00 ) and throughout the program. The Oil Drum breakout session includes

- Kyle Saunders (Prof. Goose)
- Gail Tverberg (Gail the Actuary)
- Dave Murphy
- Jeff Vail
- Brian Maschhoff (Joules Burn)
- Rembrandt Koppelaar (Rembrandt)

Jason Bradford and Nate Hagens are speaking in other sessions.

### Things to Remember:

- Hotel Room Block Closes Sept 29, 2009
- Special Monday Evening Speakers dinner is filling up and may sell out

## ASPO 2009 International Peak Oil Conference

**System Reset: Global Energy and the New Economy**  
**Sheraton Hotel, Denver, Colorado**  
**Sunday, October 11- Tuesday, October 13, 2009**

### Saturday, October 10, 2009

1:00 PM to 9:00 PM	<b>Pre-Conference Workshop: Survive and Thrive After Peak Oil</b>
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	<p>Creating Personal Plans for the Coming Decades</p> <p><b>The Challenge: How should we plan our lives in the face of peak oil, global climate change, and the ongoing financial crisis?</b> Much thought has gone into policy questions around energy, but less attention has been given to helping people prepare their own plans for such concerns as finance, careers, education, nutrition, community, housing, and transportation. It's time for all of us to help fix that! Continued "business as usual" planning for individuals, families, and communities will not be good enough any more.</p> <p>Cost: \$95 <a href="#">Learn More</a></p>
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## Sunday, October 11, 2009

<b>8:30 AM to 7:30 PM</b>	<b>Day 1 - Concurrent Sessions</b>
<b>7:30 AM to 7:30 PM</b>	<b>Conference Registration</b>
<b>9:00 AM to 10:00 AM</b>	<p><b>Concurrent Sessions 1</b></p> <p>Two concurrent sessions:</p> <p><b>TRACK A: Peak Oil: Train The Trainers</b> Moderator: <a href="#">Debbie Cook</a>, ASPO-USA Board of Directors Presented by <a href="#">Robert Hirsch</a>, Senior Energy Advisor, MISI</p> <p><b>TRACK B: Charting a Sustainable Future ( Part 1 of 2 )</b> Moderator: <a href="#">Dave Bowden</a>, Executive Director, ASPO-USA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <a href="#">David Wann</a>, author, <i>Affluenza</i>, <i>Superbia "Building Sustainable Communities"</i></li> <li>- <a href="#">Pat Murphy</a>, Community Solutions</li> <li>- <a href="#">Jason Bradford</a>, Founder, Willits Economic Localization</li> </ul>
<b>10:00 AM to 10:15 AM</b>	<b>Break</b>
<b>10:15 AM to 12:00 PM</b>	<p><b>Concurrent Sessions 2</b></p> <p>Three concurrent Sessions</p> <p><b>TRACK A: Analyses from <i>The Oil Drum</i></b> Moderator: <a href="#">Kyle Saunders</a> ("Professor Goose")</p>

- **Gail Tverberg**, Editor, *The Oil Drum "What's Ahead? Two Scenarios"*
- **David Murphy**, Lead Researcher, EROI Institute *"Recent Advances in EROI Research"*
- **Jeff Vail**, Associate, Davis Graham & Stubbs LLP *"The Renewables Gap"*
- **Brian Maschhoff**, Contributor, *The Oil Drum "More Saudi Oil? Really?"*
- **Rembrandt Koppelaar**, Contributor, *The Oil Drum "Oil Megaprojects: A Quarterly Approach"*

### TRACK B: Charting a Sustainable Future ( Part 2 of 2 )

Moderator: **Dave Bowden**, Executive Director, ASPO-USA

- **David Wann**, author, *Affluenza, Superbia "Building Sustainable Communities"*
- **Pat Murphy**, Community Solutions
- **Jason Bradford**, Founder, Willits Economic Localization

### TRACK C: International Perspectives

Moderator: **Dick Lawrence**, Board member, co-founder, ASPO-USA

- **Kjell Aleklett**, President, ASPO International, Professor, Uppsala University, Sweden *"The Peak of the Oil Age"*
- **Paul Sears**, Systems Research Analyst, Natural Resources Canada
- **Carlos Rossi**, Venezuelan Hydrocarbon Association
- **Daniel Gomez**, President, ASPO Spain *"Renewable Energy in Spain - Update"*

**12:00 PM to 1:00 PM**

### Break and Networking

Sunday lunch break will not be hosted. You may visit one of the many Denver restaurants outside the hotel.

**1:00 PM to 2:30 PM**

### Concurrent Sessions 3

Three concurrent sessions:

#### TRACK A: Energy and Investment

Moderator: **Jim Hansen**, Independent Financial Consultant

- **Nate Hagens**, Editor, *The Oil Drum "Why We Invest: Some Foundational Tenets"*
- **Richard Vodra**, Vice President, Spire Investment Partners
- **Byron King**, *Whiskey & Gunpowder*
- **Allen Stevens**, Stifel-Nicolaus

#### TRACK B: North American Energy System Vulnerabilities

	<p>Moderator: <b>Sally Odland</b>, ASPO-USA Advisory Board</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Jeffrey Brown</b>, Independent petroleum geologist "<i>Are We in the Early Stages of a Permanent Net Oil Export Crisis?</i>"</li> <li>- <b>Rick Munroe</b>, Energy Security Analyst, National Farmers Union of Canada "<i>Government plans for liquid fuel emergencies</i>"</li> <li>- <b>Scott Pugh</b>, US Department of Homeland Security "<i>Protecting America's Electric Grid</i>"</li> </ul> <p><b>TRACK C: International Perspectives ( Part 2 of 2 )</b>  Moderator: <b>Dick Lawrence</b>, Board member, co-founder, ASPO-USA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Hannes Kunz</b>, President, IIER, Zurich "<i>Economic Scenarios for an Age of Declining EROIs</i>"</li> <li>- <b>Richard Meyer</b>, EPURON GmbH "<i>Concentrating Solar Thermal Power Helps Offset Fossil Fuel Depletion</i>"</li> <li>- <b>Feng Lianyong</b>, Professor, School of Business Administration in the University of Petroleum "<i>Progress of the Peak Oil Debate in China</i>"</li> <li>- <b>Bengt Söderbergh</b> "<i>Coming European Gas Crisis? - Future Supply from Norway and Russia</i>"</li> </ul>	
<p><b>2:30 PM to 3:30 PM</b></p>	<p><b>Extended Networking Break with Topic Table Discussions</b></p>	
<p><b>3:30 PM to 5:00 PM</b></p>	<p><b>Concurrent Sessions 4</b></p> <p>Three concurrent sessions:</p> <p><b>TRACK A: Stalking the Wild Taboo: The Missing Discussions About Population and Energy</b>  Moderator: <b>John Theobald</b>, UC Oil Forum, University of California, Davis</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Hon. Richard Lamm</b>, former Governor of Colorado, Co-Director of the Institute for Public Policy Studies, University of Denver</li> <li>- <b>Albert Bartlett</b>, Professor Emeritus, University of Colorado, Boulder</li> </ul> <p><b>TRACK B: Connecting Peak Oil and the Recession</b>  Moderator: <b>Robert Hirsch</b>, Senior Energy Advisor, MISI</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Terry Backer</b>, State Representative, State of Connecticut "<i>Promoting Sound Energy Policy in Cash-Crunched Governments</i>"</li> <li>- <b>Steven Kopits</b>, Managing Director, New York "<i>A Peak Oil Recession</i>"</li> </ul>	

	<p>- <b>Nate Hagens</b>, Editor, <i>The Oil Drum "Abstract Energy Gain and the Permanent Recession"</i></p> <p><b>TRACK C: The Economics of Climate Change and Atmospheric Carbon Reduction</b> Moderator: <b>Randy Udall</b>, Energy Analyst &amp; Co-Founder, ASPO-USA</p> <p>- <b>Heidi VanGenderen</b>, Climate Change Analyst - <b>Chuck Kutscher</b>, National Renewable Energy Laboratory - <b>Susan Capalbo</b>, Chair, Department of Agricultural and Resource Economics, Oregon State University "<i>Economic Dimensions of Carbon Sequestration: How Does It Stack Up?</i>"</p>
<b>5:00 PM to 6:30 PM</b>	<p><b>Meet and Greet Opening Reception</b> Join the conference speakers; network. Hors d'oeuvres and cash bar.</p>
<b>6:30 PM to 7:30 PM</b>	<p><b>Evening Keynote</b></p> <p><b>Super Giant Pre-Salt Petroleum Systems recently discovered in Offshore Greater Campos Basin, Brazil</b></p> <p><b>Marcio Rocha Mello</b>, President HRT Petroleum, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, Introduced by <b>Vince Matthews</b>, Director, Colorado Geological Survey</p>

## Monday, October 12, 2009

<b>7:00 AM to 5:00 PM</b>	<b>Day 2: Linking Energy Supply and the Economy</b>
<b>7:00 AM to 8:00 AM</b>	<b>Continental Breakfast</b>
<b>7:30 AM to 5:00 PM</b>	<b>Conference Registration</b>
<b>8:00 AM to 8:30 AM</b>	<p><b>Welcome and Introductions</b></p> <p><b>Kjell Aleklett</b>, President, ASPO International, Professor, Uppsala University, Sweden <b>Steve Andrews</b>, Senior Analyst &amp; Co-Founder, ASPO-USA <b>Mayor John Hickenlooper</b>, Denver, Colorado</p>

<p><b>8:30 AM to 10:00 AM</b></p>	<p><b>The Future of Oil Supply in an Unpredictable-Price Environment</b>  Moderator: <a href="#">Steve Andrews</a>, Senior Analyst &amp; Co-Founder, ASPO-USA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ <a href="#">Randy Udall</a>, Energy Analyst &amp; Co-Founder, ASPO-USA</li> <li>◦ <a href="#">Chris Skrebowski</a>, Energy Institute in London, Editor of <i>Petroleum Review</i></li> <li>◦ <a href="#">Jeremy Gilbert</a>, Barrelmore, Ltd., formerly BP Chief Petroleum Engineer  <i>"Why won't they listen to us?"</i></li> </ul> <p><b>Question &amp; Answer</b></p>
<p><b>10:00 AM to 10:30 AM</b></p>	<p><b>Break and Networking</b></p>
<p><b>10:30 AM to 12:00 PM</b></p>	<p><b>Natural Gas Game Changers?</b>  Moderator: <a href="#">Randy Udall</a>, Energy Analyst &amp; Co-Founder, ASPO-USA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ <a href="#">Peter A. Dea</a>, President &amp; CEO, Cirque Resources LP  <i>"Abundant Natural Gas Supply, An American Treasure"</i></li> <li>◦ <a href="#">Arthur Berman</a>, Director, Labyrinth Consulting Services, Inc.  <i>"Cautionary Lessons from the Barnett Shale"</i></li> <li>◦ <a href="#">Edward Warner</a>, Founder, Expedition Oil Company  <i>"No Guts, No Glory: The Discovery of Jonah Field"</i></li> </ul> <p><b>Question &amp; Answer</b></p>
<p><b>12:00 PM to 1:30 PM</b></p>	<p><b>Lunch Keynote and Awards</b>  Presentation of M.K. Hubbert and Whipple awards</p> <p><b>The Nexus of Energy, the Economy and Politics</b>  <a href="#">Kevin Phillips</a>, Commentator and Author of <i>Bad Money</i></p>
<p><b>1:30 PM to 3:00 PM</b></p>	<p><b>The Great Recession and Energy Markets</b>  Moderator: <a href="#">Dave Cohen</a>, ASPO Writer and Analyst</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ <a href="#">Adam Robinson</a>, Director of Commodities, Armored Wolf, LLC</li> <li>◦ <a href="#">Eric Janszen</a>, Investor and founder of the website iTulip.com</li> </ul> <p><b>Question and Answer ( including <a href="#">Kevin Phillips</a> )</b></p>

<b>3:00 PM to 3:30 PM</b>	<b>Break and Networking</b>
<b>3:30 PM to 5:00 PM</b>	<p><b>Energy and the Media: On the Watch or Asleep at the Wheel?</b></p> <p>Moderator: <b>John Theobald</b>, UC Oil Forum, University of California, Davis</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ <b>Peter Maass</b>, Author <i>Crude World: The Violent Twilight of Oil</i>, Contributing Writer, <i>The New York Times Magazine</i> <i>"Crude and Confusing: Why Oil Is Harder to Write About Than Any War I Covered"</i></li> <li>◦ <b>Tom Whipple</b>, Writer, Editor ASPO-USA's <i>Peak Oil News</i>, <i>Peak Oil Review</i></li> <li>◦ <b>Lisa Margonelli</b>, Author, <i>Oil On The Brain</i>, New America Foundation</li> <li>◦ <b>Richard Heinberg</b>, Author, <i>Blackout: Coal, Climate and the Last Energy Crisis</i>, Senior Fellow, Post Carbon Institute <i>"Report from the Front: A Peak Oil Educator Reflects on What's Worked and What Hasn't"</i></li> </ul> <p><b>Question and Answer</b></p>
<b>5:00 PM to 5:30 PM</b>	<b>Summary / Responder and Wrap-Up</b>
<b>5:30 PM to 6:30 PM</b>	<p><b>Networking Reception</b></p> <p>Please join us for hors d'oeuvres and cash bar.</p>
<b>6:30 PM to 7:30 PM</b>	<p><b>Evening Keynote</b></p> <p><b>Matthew Simmons</b>, Simmons &amp; Company International</p>
<b>7:30 PM to 10:00 PM</b>	<p><b>Speakers Dinner</b></p> <p>Advanced registration and payment required</p>

## Tuesday, October 13, 2009

<b>8:00 AM to 5:00 PM</b>	<b>Day 3: Reactions, Challenges, and Opportunities</b>
<b>7:00 AM to 8:00 AM</b>	<b>Continental Breakfast</b>



<b>7:30 AM to 5:00 PM</b>	<b>Conference Registration</b>
<b>8:00 AM to 8:30 AM</b>	<b>Tuesday Opening Remarks</b> <b>Kjell Aleklett</b> , President, ASPO International, Professor, Uppsala University, Sweden <b>Steve Andrews</b> , Senior Analyst & Co-Founder, ASPO-USA
<b>8:30 AM to 10:00 AM</b>	<b>Eastern Hemisphere: Perspectives and Outlook</b> Moderator: <b>Kjell Aleklett</b> , President, ASPO International, Professor, Uppsala University, Sweden <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ <b>Ray Leonard</b>, CEO and President, Hyperdynamics Corp; former VP of Exploration, Kuwait Energy</li> <li>◦ <b>Simon Ratcliffe</b>, Energy Advisor, department for international development, government of the United Kingdom</li> <li>◦ <b>Michael Rodgers</b>, PFC Energy Partner based in Asia; senior member PFC Upstream and Gas practice</li> </ul> <b>Question and Answer</b>
<b>10:00 AM to 10:30 AM</b>	<b>Break and Networking</b>
<b>10:30 AM to 12:00 PM</b>	<b>Western Hemisphere: Perspectives and Outlook</b> Moderator: <b>Dick Lawrence</b> , Co-Founder, ASPO-USA <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ <b>David Shields</b>, journalist and author of the book <i>Pemex: The Oil Reform "Outlook for Mexican oil production"</i></li> <li>◦ <b>Vince Matthews</b>, Director, Colorado Geological Survey</li> <li>◦ <b>RoseAnne Franco</b>, South America Analyst, PFC Energy <i>"Outlook for Oil &amp; Gas in South America"</i></li> </ul> <b>Question and Answer</b>
<b>12:00 PM to 1:30 PM</b>	<b>Lunch and Keynote</b> <b>Alternative Transportation Energy - A Major Game Changer or Overrated Strategic Option?</b> <b>Tom Petrie</b> , Founder, Petrie, Parkman, Inc. / Merrill Lynch
<b>1:30 PM to 3:00 PM</b>	<b>Navigating Competing Priorities in Energy, Food, and Water Policy</b> Moderator: <b>Debbie Cook</b> , ASPO-USA Board of Directors



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ <a href="#">Larry Irving</a>, Former Assistant Secretary for Communications and Information, Policy Challenge <i>"Making Sausage: An insider's perspective on the evolution of a bill"</i></li> <li>◦ <a href="#">Michael Webber</a>, Associate Director, Center for International Energy &amp; Environmental Policy, University of Texas, Austin <i>"Thirst for Power: The Global Nexus of Energy &amp; Water"</i></li> <li>◦ <a href="#">Jason Bradford</a>, Founder, Willits Economic Localization</li> <li>◦ <b>U.S. Senator <a href="#">Mark Udall</a></b>, Colorado</li> </ul> <p><b>Question and Answer</b></p>
<b>3:00 PM to 3:30 PM</b>	<b>Break and Networking</b>
<b>3:30 PM to 5:00 PM</b>	<p><b>Strategies from the Forefronts of the Transition</b></p> <p>Moderator: <a href="#">Sally Odland</a>, ASPO-USA Advisory Board</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ <a href="#">Chris Martenson</a>, Creator, <i>The Crash Course</i></li> <li>◦ <a href="#">Ken Eklund</a>, Creator of the alternate reality game <i>World Without Oil</i></li> <li>◦ <a href="#">Robert Hirsch</a>, Senior Energy Advisor, MISI</li> </ul> <p><b>Question and Answer</b></p>
<b>5:00 PM to 5:30 PM</b>	<p><b>Special Guest</b></p> <p>Colorado Governor <a href="#">Bill Ritter, Jr.</a></p>
<b>5:30 PM to 6:30 PM</b>	<p><b>Networking Reception</b></p> <p>Please join us for hors d'oeuvres and cash bar.</p>
<b>6:30 PM to 7:30 PM</b>	<p><b>Closing Remarks</b></p> <p><a href="#">Nate Hagens</a>, Editor, <i>The Oil Drum "Chicken Little at A Crossroads"</i></p>

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