



## ASPO-USA Conference, November 30-December 1, Austin, Texas

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Register now to attend ASPO-USA's 8th conference, held this year at the University of Texas on November 30 and December 1. The theme this year is "**The Next Oil Crisis: Is the Boom Just Another Bubble?**" The conference features a debate on the subject, "**Do Energy Limits Require a New Economic Framework?**" among three noted speakers:

- James Kenneth Galbraith - Prof of Economics, University of Texas
- Charles A. S. Hall - ESF Foundation Distinguished Professor, SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry
- Jason Schenker - President and Chief Economist, Prestige Economics

Other speakers Oil Drum readers are likely to be familiar with include Arthur Berman, Robert Rapier, Jeff Brown, and Robert Hirsch. Additional information below the fold. Full conference information can be found at the [ASPO-USA Conference website](#).

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The regular program includes the following:

November 30:

**Overview - The Next Oil Crisis** - [Robert Hirsch](#), Management Information Systems, Inc.

**North American Oil Outlook: Abundance or Mirage** Scott Tinker, Univ. of Texas; Arthur Berman, Labyrinth Consulting Services; and Tadeusz Patzek, Univ. of Texas

**Will Natural Gas Forestall a U. S. Oil Crisis?** Bill Powers, Powers Energy Investor

### Lunch - Forums and Mini-Presentations

**Whose Oil Is It Anyway? - Global Supply and Competing Demands for Oil Exports** Michael Kumhof, IMF; Mark Lewis, Deutsche Bank; and Jeffrey Brown, Independent Geologist

**Featured Debate: Do Energy Limits Require a New Economic Framework?** James Kenneth Galbraith, Univ. of Texas; Charles A. S. Hall, SUNY-ESF; Jason Schenker, Prestige Economics

December 1:

**Overview - Imagining a World of Increasing Oil Scarcity** Robert Rapier, Merica International

**Economic and Geopolitical Scenarios** Steven Kopits, Douglas-Westwood; Daniel Davis, U.S. Army

**Energy and Environmental Scenarios** Michael Bodell, Aperio Energy; Gregg Marland, Appalachian State University

### **Lunch - Forums and Mini-Presentations**

**Why is the Media Missing the Story? The Role of Communications** Loren Steffy, Houston Chronicle; Greg Gordon, McClatchy Newspapers; Robert Jensen, University of Texas

### **Closing Discussion**

In addition to the regular meeting, there will be a Preconference Workshop from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm on Thursday with Arthur Berman, Tad Patzek, Jeffrey Brown, Carey King, and Louis Powers, for a charge of \$50.

There is also a Leadership Brunch from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon on Sunday, for a charge of \$50.

Early registration fees until October 31 are \$95 for Students, \$295 General Registration, and \$495 for Pioneer Package. The latter includes the Preconference Brunch, video recordings of the sessions, and a reception. There is a \$30 discount for ASPO-USA members.



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