

This document provides general guidance for those intending to present posters at the 2014 Nova Scotia Energy Research & Development Conference. This call for research poster presentations is open to students, faculty and researchers conducting studies in Offshore/Onshore Oil & Gas, Marine Renewable Energy, Environment or Alternative Energy & Sustainability.

### ABSTRACT SUBMISSION

Please submit an abstract of your research poster to Nalani Perry (nperry@oera.ca) by Friday, March 14, 2014. Your abstract will be reviewed by a panel and you will be advised if the poster is approved for the poster presentation. Abstracts should be no longer than one page and should include a title, your name, academic affiliation, research advisor, and a brief overview of your research and the category into which it best fits (please see categories below). If you are unsure of the category, enter the category which you feel is most appropriate. We will ensure that you are in the correct category when abstracts are reviewed.

### CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

Students who participate in the Conference through presentation of a poster will not be charged a registration fee, however do need to register. Conference registration is now open and can be found on our website ([www.oera.ca](http://www.oera.ca)). Student presenters must register by **April 30, 2014**.

The audience for the Conference is expected to be a mix of academic, government and industry energy researchers – this will include industry professionals, government officials, and academic professors and students. Posters will be on display for all Conference registrants to view over the full two days of the Conference.

### POSTER SET UP & MOUNTING

Poster panel boards will be provided, which will be mounted horizontally and measure 4 ft. x 8 ft. Double-sided Velcro tape will also be available – DO NOT use push pins or tape to secure posters to the boards.

Please bring your poster(s) and meet Nalani Perry at the Registration desk on Level 2 of the World Trade and Convention Centre at 9:30 a.m. on May 21<sup>st</sup>. All posters must be mounted by noon on Day 1. Presenters may include a brief bio on the poster, as well as copies of poster abstracts and author contact information.

### POSTER PRESENTATIONS

While all research posters will be on display, only *student* posters will be reviewed by a panel of judges and included in the competition. Students will be asked to give a 2 to 3 minute presentation on their research on the evening of May 21<sup>st</sup> between 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. and may be asked questions by the judges. A \$500 prize will be awarded for the best **student research poster** in each of the following categories:

- *Offshore/Onshore Oil & Gas* (For example, geoscience, engineering, safety, carbon capture, data processing, etc.)
- *Marine Renewable Energy* (For example, tidal, wave, offshore wind, etc.)
- *Environment* (For example, strategic environmental assessments, site specific environmental assessments, environmental effects of exploration, etc.)
- *Alternative Energy & Sustainability* (For example, onshore wind, solar, biomass, biofuels, hydrogen, smart grid technology, carbon capture and storage, etc.)

The four students who have the highest scores in the areas above will be asked to return on May 22<sup>nd</sup> to provide a 5-7 minute presentation to the delegates of the conference at 12:00 pm and receive their award.

Judges will review the student research posters using the following criteria:

- Relevance of the research to Nova Scotia's energy industry
- Student's participation in the research
- Student's knowledge of the subject and ability to discuss the material
- Poster presentation layout and readability