

# 23<sup>№</sup>– 27<sup>™</sup> MARCH 2015 DRY GAS SEALS AND SYSTEM

This 5-days course will help attendees understand the important features in a gas seal, so they can better understand why they may want to buy one seal over another. They will also learn what is required in a support system to ensure the reliability of dry gas seals.

This course is designed with practical application of theoretical knowledge in mind. Hence, hands-on involvement and the following exercises will be shared:

- Discussion on components and features provided by the different dry gas seal manufactures.
- Reviewing a dry gas seal application, seal selection and system.
- Case study on a dry gas seal failure and identifying a solution.



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For full details on the <u>programme</u> <u>principal facilitator</u> and to register, do not hesitate to contact us.

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### **Topic Outline**

#### Introduction

- Sealing of centrifugal compression equipment
- Compressor principals of operation
- Pressure / Velocity through compression stage
- Axial force, balance piston and bearings
- Compressor parameters effecting seals
- Axial and Beam style compressors, turbo expanders, and centrifugal pumps
- Shaft sealing
- Cavity design for dry gas seal

## Physical and Principals of Operation and Design

- History of dry gas seals
- Physical principals
- Engineering design
- Materials
- DGS arrangements
- Secondary sealing elements
- Discussion comparing features for different seal manufactures
- Dry Gas Seal Testing API-617

#### **Support Equipment**

- Quality of sealing gas
- Sources of sealing gas
- Gas conditioning
- Sealing gas controls and monitoring
- Secondary seal monitoring
- Alarms and shutdowns
- API-614 requirements and testing

#### **Examples of Applications**

- Production (offshore and onshore)
- Pipelines, LNG, and refineries
- Low pressure refrigeration
- Chemicals and toxic

#### Seal Installation & Commissioning

- Process prior to installing seal
- Tooling
- Seal installation
- Process after start up

#### **DGS Failures and Troubleshooting**

- Liquid contamination
- Particulate
- Incorrect Installation
- System Failures

#### **DGS Retrofits**

- Assessing feasibility of a retrofit
- Why rotor dynamics
- Cavity considerations and seal selection
- Compressor modification
- Tooling