

# ANNOUNCEMENT

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## Join the Delegation for the Annual Offshore Technology Conference

The Commercial Section of the American Embassy in Nicosia is organizing a delegation for the annual Offshore Technology Conference (OTC) in Houston, Texas, taking place May 5 to 8, 2014. An International Buyer Program (IBP) featured event, covering the oil & gas sector, OTC was founded in 1969 and is the world's leading event for the development of offshore resources in the fields of drilling, exploration, production, and environmental protection.

The U.S. Department of Commerce's IBP connects international buyers with U.S. companies exhibiting their products and services at top U.S. trade shows in major industries. As a member of an official U.S. Embassy IBP delegation, participants can benefit from: complimentary admission (a \$210 value); complimentary access to all technical sessions; matchmaking service (assistance with setting up meetings with U.S. companies and/or U.S. exhibitors); access to the Center for International Trade (private meeting rooms, internet access, etc); assistance with registration for the conference; and assistance with hotel reservations (based on availability at the time of registration).

OTC ranks among the largest 200 trade shows held annually in the United States. Last year's event featured more than 2,700 exhibitors, which consisted of manufacturers and suppliers of technical products and services utilized in offshore resources, recovery, and development. Over 100,000 people attended last year's conference, the largest number in 31 years.

OTC 2014 will feature displays by major oil and gas companies and related subsidiary industries, equipment manufacturers and service providers of the latest technological advances in such categories as: drilling, exploration, fabrication, instrumentation & controls, environmental, marine, materials, oilfield chemicals, oil spill cleanup, pollution control, process, production, safety, seismic, specialized equipment, subsea exploration, survey, telecommunications, testing, tools, training, transportation, and well completion among others.

For more information on OTC, please visit the following website: <http://www.otcnet.org/2014/index.php>.

If interested in joining the delegation or learning more about OTC 2014, please contact Ms. Ephie Charalambidou, Commercial Specialist at 22-393362 or email: [charalambidouey@state.gov](mailto:charalambidouey@state.gov).

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