Latest information posted July 8, 2016

* The 7th US/German Workshop on Salt Repository Research, Design, and Operation will be held at the Embassy Suites by Hilton Crystal City – National Airport on September 7-9, 2016.
* **The room rate is $222 per night (DC Federal Government per diem rate)– includes breakfast, Manager’s Reception, WiFi connections in sleeping rooms, hotel shuttle between Reagan National Airport and the hotel. Location is close to Metro stations for easy and convenient local transportation**
* **Conference registration fee will be $300 – includes two lunches, AM and PM refreshments, conference room rental, A/V equipment, and WiFi connections in conference rooms, plus the hosted dinner. Registration/payment can be made at** [Pay for Sandia-Sponsored Event](https://cfwebprod.sandia.gov/cfdocs/ccpwa/). Choose “7th US/German Workshop on Salt Repository Research, Design, and Operation” from the drop-down box.
* **Check-in on September 6, check-out on September 9**
* **Hotel reservations can be made at** <http://embassysuites3.hilton.com/en/hotels/virginia/embassy-suites-by-hilton-crystal-city-national-airport-WASCRES/index.html>

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* **Meeting is scheduled for all day September 7 and 8, and for the morning only on September 9**
* **Due to DOE requirements, DOE employees/contractors cannot register or spend ANY money until they have approval through Event Tracker. All others can apply now.**
* **Conference registration/fee payments will be closed on August 30, 2016, at which time we must pay the hotel for all conference room and food/beverage charges in advance.**
* **We will hold the hosted dinner on Wednesday, September 7 at Ted Turner’s Montana Grill Crystal City – specializing in American Bison (buffalo).**
* **We will compile a 2017 calendar with featured “salt” photographs. We ask participants to send candidate photos (to Laura) of salt colleagues (people pictures), natural salt environments, cool micrographs, experimental rigs and tested samples, or virtually anything salt related that would light  up a calendar.  The calendar will be given as a conference memento.**
* If you have suggestions for changes please make them known early.
* Also please note that the NEA Salt Club will hold its meeting at the same hotel on September 6, 2016. Hotel reservations are combined with the 7th US/German Workshop. However, the conference registration fee for the one-day meeting is separate. The $95.00 fee can be paid at [Pay for Sandia-Sponsored Event](https://cfwebprod.sandia.gov/cfdocs/ccpwa/). Choose “Nuclear Energy Agency Salt Club Meeting” from the drop-down box.

        **OPTIONAL:** Kathleen Economy has graciously secured 30+ tickets to take the elevator up to the top of the **Washington Monument at 3pm on Friday, September 9**. Once up in the ‘needle’ there is no time limit, so we will allow overlap time for others coming before or after our slotted time to converge.

* **OPTIONAL:** After the monument tour on Friday, September 9, those who are interested are invited to the Old Ebbitt Grill (only a few steps from the White House) for a non-hosted dinner. <http://www.ebbitt.com/about/history>

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