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DRILLING FLUIDS, MUD TECHNOLOGY, AND HYDRAULICS

COURSE OUTLINE 2026

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TRAINING TITLE

DRILLING FLUIDS, MUD TECHNOLOGY, AND HYDRAULICS

VENUE

DUBAI, UAE

DURATION

5 Days

DATES

16-20 February 2025

PRICE

\$5,500 per attendee including training material/handouts, morning/afternoon coffee breaks, and Lunch.

TRAINING INTRODUCTION

This course provides a comprehensive understanding of drilling fluids, mud technology, and hydraulic principles essential for efficient and safe drilling operations. It covers the properties, types, functions, and maintenance of drilling fluids, along with the design and optimization of hydraulic systems in drilling. Participants will gain in-depth knowledge of how mud systems support wellbore stability, manage formation pressures, and impact overall drilling performance. Emphasis is placed on the theoretical foundations and operational considerations related to mud engineering and hydraulics in oil and gas drilling.

TRAINING OBJECTIVES

By the end of the course, participants will be able to:

- Understand the functions and classifications of drilling fluids used in various formations.
- Analyze key mud properties and their role in wellbore stability and pressure management.
- Identify components of the mud circulation system and explain their operational importance.
- Apply fundamental hydraulic principles to optimize drilling performance and efficiency.

- Recognize common fluid-related challenges and outline appropriate preventive strategies.

TRAINING AUDIENCE

- Drilling and mud engineers
- Rig supervisors and toolpushers
- Directional drilling personnel
- Drilling fluids and solids control specialists
- Wellsite and operations engineers
- Technical support staff involved in drilling operations

TRAINING OUTLINE

Day 1: Introduction to Drilling Fluids

- Functions and importance of drilling fluids
- Classification: Water-based, oil-based, and synthetic fluids
- Basic mud properties and their significance
- Fluid selection criteria for different formations
- Environmental and safety considerations

Day 2: Mud Properties and Testing

- Rheological properties: viscosity, yield point, gel strength
- Density and pressure control
- Filtration and fluid loss control
- Solids control and the role of solid removal equipment
- Additives and chemical treatments

Day 3: Mud System Design and Maintenance

- Components of mud systems
- Surface and subsurface circulation system overview
- Mud mixing procedures and calculations
- Contamination and treatment strategies
- Mud balance and volume calculations

Day 4: Hydraulics in Drilling Operations

- Overview of drilling hydraulics and circulation

- Pressure losses in drill string, annulus, and bit
- Equivalent circulating density (ECD)
- Optimization of pump performance
- Surge and swab pressures

Day 5: Well Control and Hole Cleaning

- Role of drilling fluids in well control
- Kick detection and mud weight management
- Hole cleaning efficiency and critical velocity
- Impact of hydraulics on cuttings transport
- Overview of fluid-related drilling problems and solutions

TRAINING CERTIFICATE

MAESTRO CONSULTANTS Certificate of Completion for delegates who attend and complete the training course.

METHODOLOGY

Our courses are highly interactive, typically taking a case study approach that we have found to be an effective method of fostering discussions and transferring knowledge. Participants will learn by active participation during the program through the use of individual exercises, questionnaires, team exercises, training videos and discussions of “real life” issues in their organizations. The material has been designed to enable delegates to apply all of the material with immediate effect back in the workplace.