

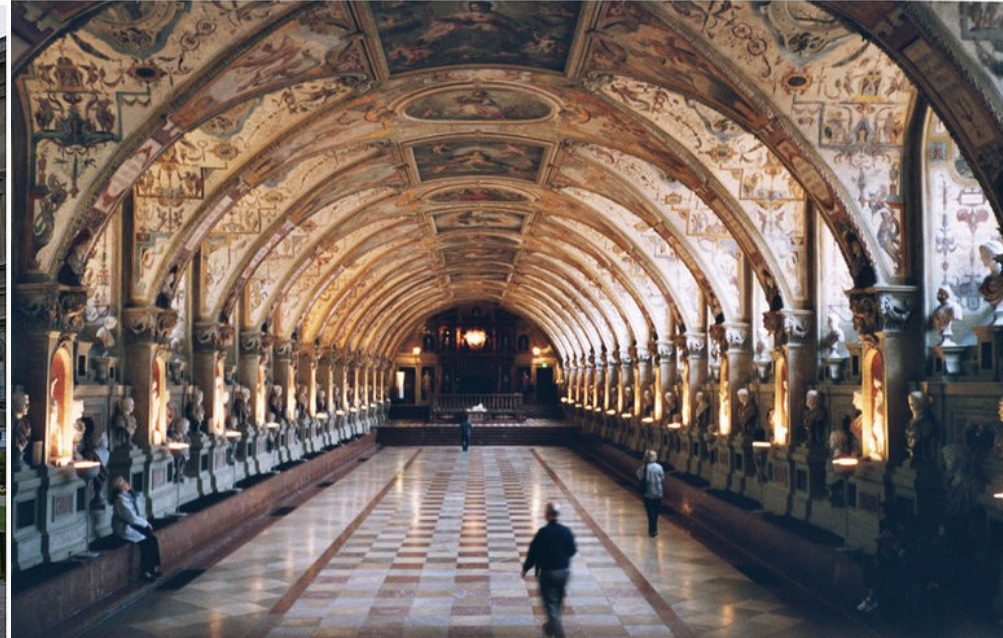
# GeoNeurale

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## *Seismic Interpretation in the Exploration Domain*

7 – 9 February 2011

Munich



# *Seismic Interpretation in the Exploration Domain*

( NEW ENLARGED PROGRAM )

MUNICH

at the

*GATE – Garching Technologie und Gründerzentrum*

7 – 9 February 2011

3 DAYS COURSE

INSTRUCTOR: Dr. Timothy Smith

LEVEL: Intermediate

**This course is primarily designed for explorationists/earth scientists who are advanced students, larger company personnel with 1 to 5 years of experience, and independent operators. The overall experience is directed towards optimization of seismic interpretation with regard to tightening budgets and increased expectations in the current hydrocarbon pricing environment.**

AUDIENCE: Intermediate level geologists, geophysicists, seismic processors, independent explorationists, and team leaders/mid level management

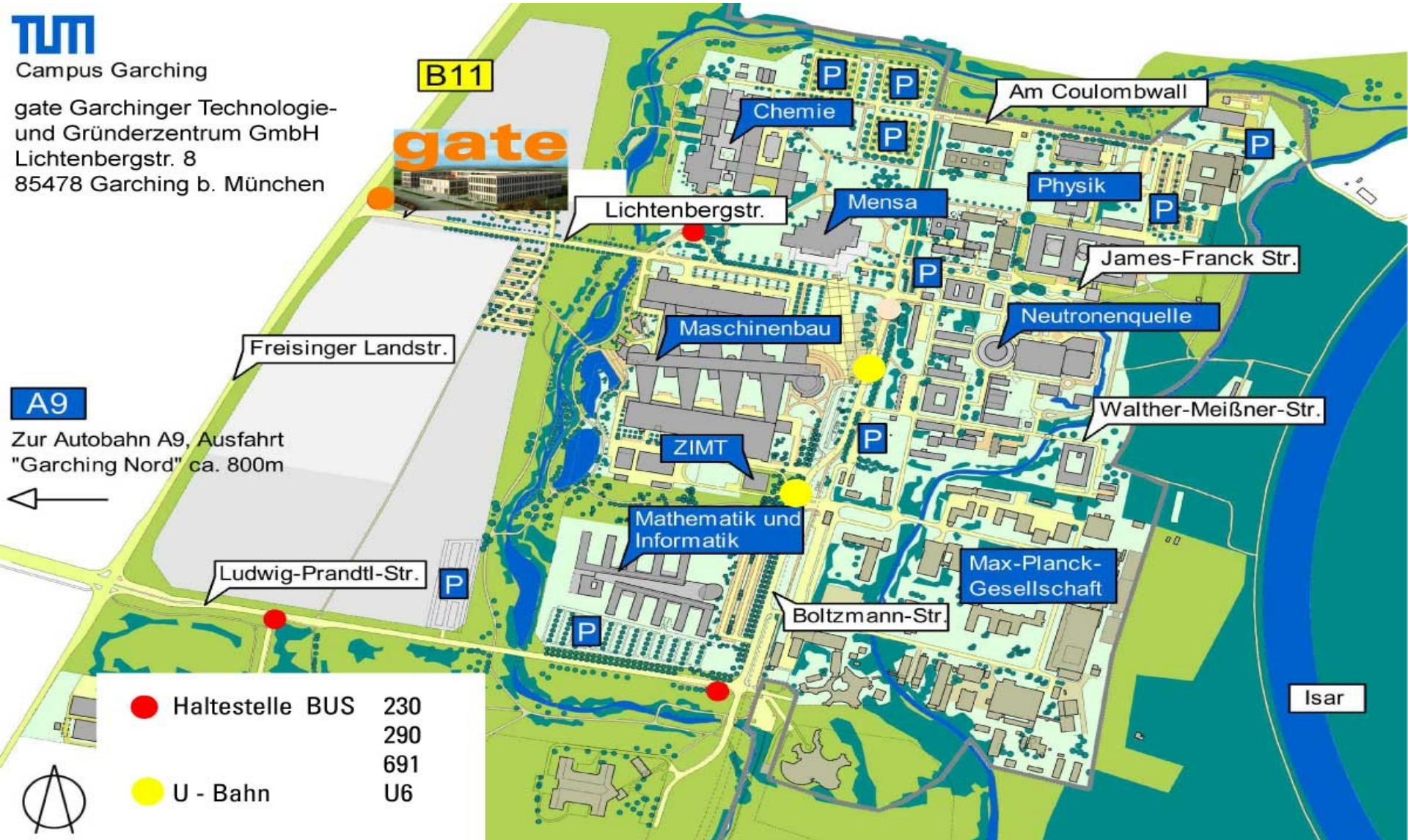
COURSE FEES: 2300 Euro + VAT (19%) (The VAT Tax is 100% refunded by the German Ministry of Finances)

REGISTRATION DEADLINE : 14 January 2011

ONLINE REGISTRATION: [www.GeoNeurale.com](http://www.GeoNeurale.com)

## GeoNeurale Office and Training Location at the Munich-Garching Research Center

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Campus Garching  
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# *Seismic Interpretation in the Exploration Domain*

Participants will expand their understanding of significant techniques and developments in exploration geophysics, and gain a greater appreciation of the strengths and weaknesses of various interpretation techniques.

**This course is designed for geologically based seismic interpreters who wish to expand their understanding of significant techniques and developments in exploration geophysics.**

**This enhanced understanding is vital for exploration success, since increasing numbers of geologists and geologically oriented geophysicists are involved in seismic interpretation. Attendees should gain a greater appreciation of the strengths and weaknesses of various interpretation techniques and geophysical approaches for a given interpretation project. The course topics, listed below, are presented by means of lectures, examples, and interspersed exercises.**

# PROGRAM

This three day course provides a robust background in both the fundamentals and advanced aspects of 2D and 3D reflection seismic interpretation. It is divided into two essentially equal portions: the first consists primarily of lectures and associated exercises, and the second consists of 2D and 3D seismic interpretation projects designed to illustrate many of the concepts and techniques of seismic interpretation discussed in the lecture portion. The interpretation exercises use paper data because direct hands-on methods provide the best overall educational experience. They also avoid problems of non-familiarity with various software packages and licensing issues. The interpretation techniques which are demonstrated and employed in these exercises can later be effectively transposed to the workstation environment.

. The overall experience is directed towards optimization of seismic interpretation with regard to tightening budgets and increased expectations in the current hydrocarbon pricing environment.

## Topics covered in the lecture portion include the following:

- The purposes and goals of seismic interpretation
- General concepts and concerns in seismic interpretation
- Description and sensitivity of seismically derived velocities
- Seismic migration: Time, Depth (Kirchoff, Wave, Beam Steer), Wide/Multi Azimuth. Particular reference is given to pre-stack depth migration.
- Vertical depth conversion of 2D and 3D time migrated data
- 2D vs. 3D seismic data interpretation techniques
- Grid guidelines and limitations in mapping
- Thin bed resolution and analysis
- Statics corrections for land data
- AVO and amplitude anomalies
- Generation and use of seismic inversions

## **PRACTICAL INTERPRETATION EXERCISES**

The interpretation portion consists of two projects. The first consists of 8 2D lines from a complex structural region. This exercise involves tying these data with recognition of the limitations associated with the 2D format. The second consists of 15 lines from a 3D project covering the same region; some of the 3D lines overlie the 2D data and provide direct comparison between the two data sets. These data are used to prepare a structure contour map; and the exercise and course end with a discussion of this map and the overall set of processes used in effective seismic interpretation.

# Tim Smith

## BIOGRAPHY

Tim Smith is a senior consultant grade geophysicist at BHP Billiton in Houston, Texas. He earned a PhD in structural geology and geophysics at Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio, in 1976. He has 30 years of experience in exploration geophysics, the last 23 in the Gulf of Mexico. He is directly associated with the Atlantis, Mad Dog, Shenzi, Puma, Das Bump, and Knotty Head discoveries in the deep water Gulf of Mexico, and assisted in other discoveries such as Thunder Horse and St Malo, also in the Gulf. Prior to his posting at BHP Billiton, he worked at Unocal (2003-2005), BP/Sohio (1984-2003), and Gulf (1977-1984). Prior to this, he taught geophysics and structural geology at Ohio, Eastern Kentucky, and Ohio State Universities.

His outside interests consist of design and construction of high fidelity and guitar amplifiers and speakers, automobile mechanical work, cabinetry, and domestic air conditioning.

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

September 2005 to Present: BHP Billiton, Houston TX

### Senior Geophysicist, Domestic Exploration, GOM

- Coordinator for Gulf of Mexico regional mapping project; maps include base salt, Miocene, Paleogene, and Cretaceous horizons. Assisted in design of regional mosaic 3D depth project based on all in house 3D depth surveys. The mosaic 3D covers most of Green Canyon, Walker Ridge, Garden Banks, Walker Ridge, Atwater Valley, and Mississippi Canyon areas, about 4500 OCS blocks (~105,000 sq km). Supported exploration efforts in Green Canyon area (Shenzi, GC 654) and Double Mountain (GC 600).

April 2003 – September 2005: UNOCAL, Sugar Land, TX

### Exploration Geophysicist, Domestic Exploration, GOM

- Lead geophysicist for Knotty Head major discovery, GC 512, April -August, 2005.
- Assessment of EnCana disposal properties in the GOM, Feb – March, 2005
  - Regional GOM top and base salt interpretation on 2D PrSDM depth data, Dec- April 2005
- Lead geophysicist for 130 block pre-stack depth imaging project in central Green Canyon, interpretation (led to successful bid for APC-BHP-NXY-UCL consortium on Knotty Head prospect, GC 512), and well design. GC 512 #1 well drilling as of July, 2005.
- Lead geophysicist for Unocal operated Sequoia prospect (MC 941), well completed as dry hole with minor shows.
- Lead geophysicist for 100 block pre-stack depth imaging project in central Garden Banks and subsequent successful bid on GC 603 (with Kerr McGee).
- 2D and 3D seismic interpretation in Alaminos Canyon area, western GOM, assessment of North Brontosaurus prospect (AC 731).
- Wells participated in: MC 941#1 (2004), GC 512#1 (2005).

## BIOGRAPHY

July 1984 – April 2003: BP/SOHIO, Houston, TX

### Exploration Geophysicist, Domestic Exploration, GOM

- Lead geophysicist in southern Green Canyon/Atwater Valley fold belt, specializing in structural and attribute interpretation, and 3D pre-stack depth migration design and implementation. Lead geophysicist for GC 823 #1 (Puma) sub-salt discovery (well drilled after departure to Unocal).
- Lead BP geophysicist for BHP operated GC 654 #1 (Shenzi) sub-salt oil discovery, 2003-2004.
- Lead BP geophysicist for BHP operated sub-commercial GC 872#1 well (Frampton), 2002.
- Lead geophysicist for Chevron operated MC 727#1 sub-salt well (Poseidon), 2000.
- Lead geophysicist for BP operated GC 563 #1 sub-salt sub-commercial discovery (Timon), 1999.
- Lead BP geophysicist for Amoco operated GC 826 #1 sub-salt discovery (Mad Dog), 1998-89.
- Review geophysicist for Thunder Horse discovery (GC 778), 1998.
- Lead geophysicist for BP operated GC 699 #1 sub-salt discovery (Atlantis), 1998.
- Lead geophysicist for Mississippi Canyon and Walker Ridge lease acquisition effort, helped secure 18 blocks covering six sub and extra salt prospects (1994-97), St Malo (BP Lead B) and Das Bump prospects drilled successfully in 2003-4.
- Mapped and presented eventual commercial properties (in which BP did not participate) in VE 68 (Seagull, 1986, 100 BCF), ST 260 (Phillips, Teak field, 1987, 100 MMBOE), and GB 260 (Amerada, Bald Pate field, 1991, over 200 MMBOE).
- Mapped deep Miocene pay (ca. 100 MMBOE) and sub-salt structure in MC 28 - 72 (Pompano field), proved commerciality, 1989.
- Co-discovered GC 72 (Popeye) field, 1986.
- Exploitation: Mapped and calibrated (pay prediction) upper portion of 700+ MMBOE Mars field (largest field in GOM), and main pay in 200+ MMBOE Exxon/BP Diana field, 1993-94.
- R & D: Complex Structures group, helped develop and test in-house 3DEMIG 3D map migration package, portions currently incorporated in Paradigm's Geodepth migration package and Promax, 1990-92.
- Wells participated in: GC 72 #1 (1986), EB 209 #1 (1988), MC 28 #3 (1989), KC 255#1 (1990), GC 699 #1 (1998), GC 826 #1 (1998-9), GC 563 #1 (1999), GC 727 #1 (2000), GC 872 #1 (2001), GC 654 #1 (2002), AT 489 #1 (2002); on-site well experience with GC 699 #1 and GC 563 #1.

September 1977 – July 1984: Gulf Oil Company, Houston, TX

### Geophysicist, International Exploration

- West of Shetlands, UK (1977); Tierra del Fuego, Argentina (1977-78); Porcupine Seabight, Ireland,(1978); Nigeria gas reserves (1978), Northwest shelf, Australia (1979); Halten Banks, Norway (1979); Amapa platform and Barreirinhas and Reconcavo basins, Brazil (1979-81); UAE and Gulf of Suez (1982); Offshore Sicily (1982-83); Northwest Colombia (1983-84); Green Canyon, GOM (1984).

## BIOGRAPHY

### ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE:

June to August 1977: Ohio State University

Adjunct Assistant Professor of Geology

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September 1976 to June 1977: Eastern Kentucky University

Assistant Professor of Geology

December 1975 to June 1976: Ohio University

Assistant Professor of Geology

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### INDUSTRY COURSES TAUGHT:

#### In House

Introduction to Reflection Seismology (9 sessions)

Advanced 2D Seismic Interpretation (3 sessions)

3D Map and Depth Migration (2 sessions)

Industry (SEG, AAPG, and CSEG)

Interpretation Success in the Exploration Domain (and predecessors, typically co-taught, 20 sessions)

#### University of Tulsa

Introduction to Reflection Seismology (19 sessions)

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### EDUCATION:

Ph. D., Geophysics, Ohio State University, 1976

B. A., Geology, Ohio Wesleyan University, 1969

# Registration Details

- Course fee: 2300 Euro + VAT (19%)
- Registration deadline : 14 January 2011

## Payment and Registration

Tuition fees are due and payable in Euro upon enrollment in the course by bank transfer to the bank account given below unless another payment form is agreed

Unless otherwise indicated, the payment should be received before the date specified in the invoice as payment term to make the enrollment effective.

To register to the course please fill in the [registration form](#) and fax or email it along with the confirmation of your bank transfer to:

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ONLINE REGISTRATION: [www.GeoNeurale.com](http://www.GeoNeurale.com)

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## Provisions

Tuition fees are due and payable in Euro upon enrollment in the course. Unless otherwise indicated, fees do not include student travel costs and living expenses.

Payments are also accepted via personal or company check, traveler's check, credit card, and Company Purchase Orders.

### Cancellations by Participant:

All cancellations are subject to a 100 Euro non-refundable cancellation fee.

Cancellations have to be notified to our office, at least 30 days prior to the course start date to receive a refund (less the 100 Euro cancellation fee).

If the participants are unable to cancel prior to the 32 days notification date, they may substitute another person at their place in a course by notifying us prior to the course start date.

### Course Cancellations:

GeoNeurale reserves the right to cancel the courses if necessary. The decision to cancel a course is made at least two weeks prior to the course start date. If a course is cancelled, the participant will receive a full reimbursement of the tuition fees (but not of the plane ticket or hotel expenses or any other costs), or will be enrolled in another course upon his decision (the cost of the original course will be applied to the cost of the replacement course).

GeoNeurale can not be responsible for any penalties incurred for cancellation or change of airline or hotel reservations.

### Refunds:

GeoNeurale will promptly remit all refunds of tuition fees due to cancellations or annulment (less any appropriate non-refundable cancellation fee) within 30 days of the course cancellation.

### Force Majeure:

GeoNeurale can not be responsible for cancellations due to "force majeure" events: airplane or airport strikes, emergency situations, natural catastrophes and all situations and incidents independent or outside the human control that can delay or cancel the course. In case of such events related cancellations the course tuition fees will be refunded to the client.

GeoNeurale is not responsible for any delay or absence caused by the training instructor or training instructor company for reasons which are independent or out of the control of GeoNeurale's decisions.

**AGREEMENT:** Upon enrollment all parties accept the above mentioned provisions. The above specified provisions shall regulate the agreement between GeoNeurale and the participant and the participant company and will enter into force upon enrollment.

# REGISTRATION FORM

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or Email to Courses@GeoNeurale.com

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# INFORMATIONS, HOTELS, MAPS, LINKS

## TRAINING LOCATION – RESEARCH CENTER

<http://www.geoneurale.com/documents/GATE-Y7.pdf>

## GATE GARCHING

<http://www.geoneurale.com/documents/GATE-Y6.pdf>

## MAP MUNICH-GARCHING

<http://www.muenchen.city-map.de/city/db/130208000001/14269/Garching.html>

## MUNICH INFO and MAP MUNICH CENTRAL

<http://www.muenchen.de/home/60093/Homepage.html>

## MAP MUNICH UNDERGROUND

<http://www.mvv-muenchen.de/web4archiv/objects/download/3/netz1207englisch.pdf>

## HOTELS NEAR GeoNeurale

<http://www.geoneurale.com/documents/HOTELS-GARCHING.pdf>

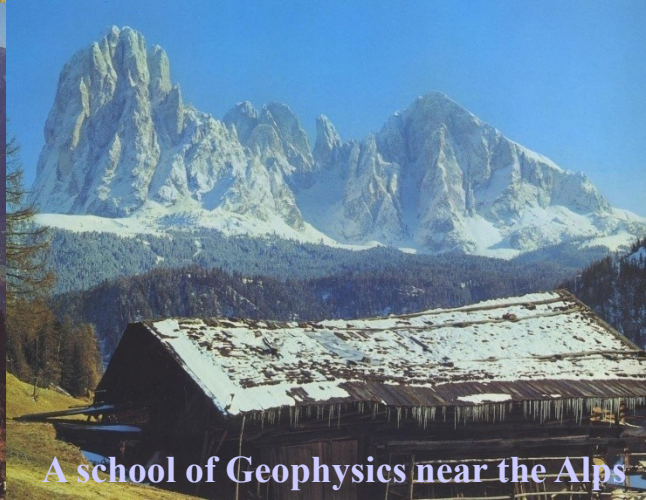
## BAVARIA INFO

<http://www.geoneurale.com/documents/Around-Munich-Info.pdf>

# The Gate

GeoNeurale training location





A school of Geophysics near the Alps