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## Drilling Technologies for the Next Generations

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The increase in the world's energy demands cannot be supported without drilling into the most complex areas. Whether we drill for oil, gas, geothermal energy, gas hydrates, or CCS, we need to make sure that our final product is safe and on target. This can only be achieved through continuous and innovative drilling technologies. Drilling has dramatically changed in the last 10 years through intensive and innovative technology, both in terms of hardware and software. Drilling technologies have become safer, faster, and more reliable than ever. Big data and automations are currently the industry's big topic. Will this also affect the drilling technology? How about the next generation of drilling engineers? Will they be ready and able to drill faster, better, deeper, and safer?

I invite all of you to help me answer these questions through your contributions to this Special Issue. You may contribute papers related to the latest advancements in drilling technology, automation, innovative equipment, and methods. Drilling technology is a broad topic, and we would like to collect our current solutions for future generations.



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