2017 INTERNATIONAL TECHNICAL RESCUE SYMPOSIUM

November 2-5, 2017 DENVER MARRIOTT WEST 1717 Denver West Boulevard, Golden, Colorado 80401 (303) 279-9100

ITRS is the leading forum for up-to-date, state-of-the-art, technical rescue information. Rescuers representing mountain, cave, fire, industrial, and swift water gather to discuss ways to improve safety and performance, and answer questions such as:

- What's been tested lately?
- Is that belay system reliable?
- Two-tension system or main and belay?
- Will that "xxx" hurt my rope?
- How will that new standard affect me?
- What's new in air operations?
- What do we know about that accident?

The Symposium format consists of two and a half days of peer presentations. There are no vendor displays or anyone selling T-shirts, but plenty of opportunity for you to talk to other rescuers to exchange ideas, find out what others are doing, and how they are solving problems.

ITRS encourages a free flow of information among participants by limiting the number of attendees to keep the setting small, which permits better audience participation.

HASTY TOPICS Short, impromptu talks on current topics of interest. An opportunity to share experience or lessons learned during the year.

Have you presented at ITRS? If not, you should consider it! You might be the next recipient (2017) of the Steve Hudson Presenter Award for Best Overall presentation, or honored with the Most Practical presentation, or Best New Research!

Register online at itrsonline.org.



ITRS

International Technical Rescue Symposium

Denver Marriott West Denver, Colorado November 2-5 2017

ITRS GRANT INFORMATION

A limited number of grants are available through co-sponsors and the event itself to cover the registration fees of presenters and others for whom the cost might represent an unreasonable hardship. Grants cover only registration—all other expenses (travel, room, board, etc.) remain the responsibility of the attendee.

To qualify for the grant, a prospective attendee must meet the following conditions:

- Must not represent a U.S. for-profit entity in the fields of Rescue, Rope Access, Training or Equipment.
- Must offer a tangible benefit to the event.
- Must meet stated requirements.
- Must submit all materials as requested and on time (see Presenter Agreement).
- Must make application for grant prior to September 30, 2017.
- There are a limited number of grants, so not every application may be approved.

To apply for a grant, visit **itrsonline.org** and download the Grant Application Form.



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SYMPOSIUM SCHEDULE

Thursday, November 2 6 – 10 pm Check-

Check-in and informal Meet & Greet

Friday, November 3

8 am - 5 pm **Presentations**

Saturday, November 4

8 am - 5 pm **Presentations**

Sunday, November 5

8 am – 1 pm **Presentations**

3 pm – 6 pm ASTM F32 Committee Meeting

Monday, November 6

8 am – 2 pm ASTM F32 Committee Meeting

SYMPOSIUM REGISTRATION

BEGINS DECEMBER 5, 2016
Register online at **regonline.com/ITRS2017.**

EARLY BIRD DISCOUNT (Paid by April 1, 2017)

- \$290 for AAC, MRA, NASAR, NCRC (NSS) SPRAT Members
- \$370 for Non-Members

REGULAR REGISTRATION (Paid after April 1, 2017)

- \$350 for AAC, MRA, NASAR, NCRC (NSS) SPRAT Members
- \$410 for Non-Members

For more information visit **itrsonline.org**. Click Register Online Today! or go directly to **regonline.com/ITRS2017**.

FEES INCLUDE a copy of the conference papers, morning and afternoon refreshments, a continental breakfast on Friday, Saturday and Sunday mornings, and a Saturday evening reception. Lunches and evening meals are not included.

PAYMENT DEADLINE Any registration for which payment in full has not been received by November 1, 2017 will be automatically cancelled. Members of government agencies, who must attend the symposium prior to making payment, must submit an approved purchase order prior to November 1, 2017. Payment will be due 15 days after the symposium. The cancellation and refund policy (right) also applies to these participants.

CREDIT CARD PAYMENTS Registration fees paid by credit card must be verified before registration is accepted. Any credit card registration for which charges are not approved will be cancelled and the person will be notified.

CANCELLATIONS AND REFUNDS Cancellations must be submitted in writing to ITRS Registration, P.O. Box 803, Lafayette, GA 30728. Refunds will be calculated by the date the notification is received.

We recommend that you secure your ITRS registration prior to purchasing airfare as the event has the potential to sell out.

Prior to September 1, 2017 September 1 to October 1, 2017 After October 1, 2017 Full refund 75% refund No refund

ACCOMMODATIONS

ITRS has arranged for a block of rooms with the Denver Marriott West for a special daily rate of \$109. Please make reservations directly with:

DENVER MARRIOTT WEST

1717 Denver West Boulevard, Golden, CO 80401 (303) 279-9100

NOTE: Reservations must be received by Thursday, October 12, 2017 in order to receive the ITRS group rate. The room block is available at the Group Rate while the rooms last, or until November 2 - 6, 2017 whichever occurs first.

ASTM MEETING

A meeting of the ASTM F32 Search & Rescue Standards Committee will be held following ITRS 2017 on Sunday afternoon and Monday morning at the Denver Marriott West.



2017 PRESENTATION AWARDS

To encourage and reward excellence in presentations made at ITRS, the hosts sponsor a program to acknowledge presentations which reflect excellence in three areas:

- Facts and Data (rather than opinion or conclusions)
- Choice of Topic (applicability to field work)
- State-of-the-Art Technical Rescue

Following the final presentation, attendees vote based on five categories. One award is given in each category. The presentation receiving the most votes overall receives the Steve Hudson Presenter Award. Each winner receives a \$200 honorarium.

- Most Enjoyable
- Most Thought Provoking
- Most Practical
- Best New Research
- Steve Hudson Presenter Award Best Overall



ADDITIONAL INFO PRESENTATIONS AND REGISTRATION

PRESENTATIONS

For additional information about presenting at ITRS 2017, please email info@ITRSonline.org.

REGISTRATION

ITRS Registration P.O. Box 803 LaFayette, GA 30728-0803 USA Phone: (706) 764-1437 ext 234 Email: info@ITRSonline.org

SUBSTITUTIONS If the person originally registered cannot attend, a substitution is allowed. Please notify us as soon as possible.