

# 2012 CONFERENCE & EVENT INFORMATION

## Help EEGS Control SAGEEP Costs!

### Make reservations at the host hotel, the Hilton Tucson El Conquistador.

EEGS is not charged for conference facilities if it commits to a minimum number of room nights - please take advantage of the negotiated rates **by March 7, 2012**. Limited government rates available.

#### TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THESE GREAT RATES!

**Single/Double Rate\*: \$159**

**Government Rate\*\*: \$103**

\* Special rates are applicable to reservations 2 days prior to and 1 day post conference. Hotel room rates are subject to applicable state and local taxes (currently 15.1%). All reservations must be accompanied by a first night room deposit or guaranteed with a major credit card.

\*\* Government rates are available and will require a valid government photo ID at the time of check-in.

**RESERVE YOUR ACCOMMODATIONS** by telephone or online. Call 1-800-325-7832 (USA Country Code is +1) and ask for the group rate for SAGEEP or EEGS Annual Meeting (use code SAG or, for the government rate, code SAG1). Or, make your hotel reservations online: a special group web page has been set up at: <http://goo.gl/C965f>. Be sure to click the Government Rate link on the landing page if you qualify for the special government rate. You can also access [www.eegs.org](http://www.eegs.org), click on the SAGEEP 2012 button, select the Venue/Hotel tab and click on the El Conquistador link to go directly to the SAGEEP reservation page.

**Reservations must be made by March 7, 2012 to qualify for the special rates.**

#### CONFERENCE HOTEL INFORMATION

**Hilton Tucson El Conquistador/10000 North Oracle Road  
Tucson, Arizona 85704 USA**

**Hotel: Tel: 520-544-5000 (USA Country Code is +1)**

**Special SAGEEP Accommodation Reservation Website: <http://goo.gl/C965f>**

Located on 500 acres of serene, colorful high Sonoran Desert terrain in the foothills of the majestic Santa Catalina Mountains, the full-service Hilton Tucson El Conquistador offers a magnificent setting, minutes from the city's renowned entertainment, restaurants and cultural attractions.

#### TRAVEL INFORMATION AND DRIVING DIRECTIONS

From Tucson International Airport - Follow interstate 10 west to Ina Road. Exit Ina Road, turn right and head east to Oracle Rd (about 5.3 miles). Turn left onto Oracle Road (north) and continue 2.5 miles to El Conquistador Way. Turn right and the Resort is on your right. Distance from hotel: 23 miles; Drive time: 30 - 45 minutes. From Sky Harbor Phoenix International Airport, approx. 109 miles away: Exit airport and follow signs to interstate 10 east to Tucson. Exit I-10 and make a left hand turn onto Tangerine Road to Oracle Road (13.5 miles), turn right onto Oracle Road. Turn south on Oracle Road 3.76 miles to El Conquistador Way. Turn left and the Resort is on your right.

#### ARIZONA-SONORA DESERT MUSEUM HALF-DAY FIELD TRIP SUNDAY, MARCH 25

The Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum is a world-renowned zoo, natural history museum and botanical garden. At the same time, the Museum has gained a worldwide repute in the scientific community as an institution committed to researching and protecting the land, plants, and the animals of the Sonoran Desert region. Eighty-five percent of the museum is outside with almost 2 miles of paths traversing 21 acres of beautiful desert. Includes museum fees and transportation.

#### OUTDOOR DEMONSTRATIONS MONDAY, MARCH 26

Monday afternoon, the Exhibitors Equipment Outdoor Demonstrations will be conducted at Sunset Point, on the grounds of the El Conquistador in full view of the Catalina mountains. The event is free to conference attendees; however, please indicate your intention to attend on the registration form (badge required to attend). Light refreshments served.

#### CONFERENCE EVENING DINNER / 25TH ANNIVERSARY EVENT TUESDAY, MARCH 27

The Conference Evening dinner, cocktails and music entertainment will also feature some 25th Anniversary celebratory surprises! Network, enjoy the sights and sounds of the southwest and help EEGS celebrate the 25th Anniversary of SAGEEP "under the stars" at the Last Territory on the grounds of the El Conquistador.

#### FULL DAY KARTCHNER CAVERNS TOUR, THURSDAY, MARCH 29

Kartchner Caverns, with its wide variety of speleothems, is one of the world's 10 most interesting caves from a mineralogical standpoint. A little over 2 mile (3.9 km) long cave developed into a block of Escabrosa Limestone (Lower Carboniferous) in the Basin and Range of southeastern Arizona and during the summer months, serves as a nursery roost for over 1,000 female cave myotis bats. Includes transportation, tours of both rooms and lunch.

#### STUDENT VOLUNTEERS/SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

Students who work two shifts at SAGEEP are eligible to receive a registration fee rebate. Contact EEGS: tel. (303) 531-7517 or e-mail ([staff@eegs.org](mailto:staff@eegs.org)) by February 24, 2012. Geometrics is pleased to offer a limited number of student scholarships: Students in good standing at an educational institution and able to provide an application letter signed by a faculty member can e-mail [linda@geometrics.com](mailto:linda@geometrics.com) (e-mail only please).

#### STUDENT EVENT AT BARRIO BREWING WITH ENTERTAINMENT MONDAY EVENING, MARCH 26

Students are invited to get together for dinner, entertainment provided by the Dusty Buskers, and beverages at this Tucson microbrewery in the warehouse district. Enjoy the outdoor patio and mountain views. Join colleagues for networking and "rail pints", a Barrio innovation! Begins after the Outdoor Demonstration. Non-students welcome.