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### **Novel Construction Spring Session**

Wednesday & Thursday, 15-16 April 2026

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## **A G E N D A**

### **Wednesday, 15 April 2026**

08:45 – 09:00 Registration at IPLOCA Desk

#### **SESSION**

09:05 – 09:10 IPLOCA Welcome  
*Georges Hage, Executive Director - IPLOCA*

09:10 – 09:20 Introduction & Objectives of Fall Session  
*Dr. Somaieh Salehpour, IPLOCA Innovation Chair Committee, VP Energy & Water Infrastructure - Henkel*

09:20 – 09:50 Earthworks, Landslide Analytics & Clara AI Agent: Driving Innovation in Pipeline Construction -  
*by Tracey Stone, EMEA Sales Director and Marcin Tracz, Senior Project Manager - AI Clearing*

09:50 – 10:20 Technological innovation in pipeline construction: cutting product pipes whilst preserving the casings -  
*by Boris Böhm, BD Project Division - MAX STREICHER GmbH*

**10:20 – 10:50 – Coffee Break & Networking –**

10:50 – 11:20 Vertical Shaft Boring Machines (VSM) for onshore applications - *by Simon Herrenknecht, Head of Business Division Pipeline & Diana Rennkamp, Business Development Engineer - Herrenknecht AG*

11:20 – 11:50 AI & Digital Transformation: The Journey Toward Industry 5.0 - *by Mustafa Abusalah, Manager Data Analytics & Innovation - CCC*

11:50 – 12:20 Dig. Lift. Scan. – Sodex laser scanning systems on Volvo excavators perform pipeline surveying –  
*by Ralf Pfefferkorn, CEO & Founder – Sodex Innovations & Rodrigo Konda, Strategic Accounts Manager – Volvo CE*

**12:20 – 13:30 Lunch – (At the hotel)**

13:30 – 14:00 Settanta Pipeliner: The Next Evolution in Pipe Handling Equipment - *by Jason Lavalley, CEO - LaValley Industries*

## GROUP BRAINSTORMING IN BREAKOUT ROOMS

- 14:00 – 15:30 Breakout Working Groups Session 1 - Expand and Develop Ideas
- 15:30 – 16:00 – Coffee Break & Networking –**
- 16:00 - 17:00 Breakout Working Groups Session 2 - Expand and Develop Ideas (continued)
- 18:45 – 21:30 – Meet in hotel lobby to go to a local restaurant for dinner –**
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### Thursday, 16 April 2026

- 09:00 – 09:10 Recap & Overview of Work Stream Activities  
*Dr. Somaieh Salehpour, IPLOCA Innovation Chair Committee, VP Energy & Water Infrastructure - Henkel*
- 09:10 – 9:40 Working Group Feedback  
*All Group Leaders*
- 9:40 – 10:10 SAFELINE 360: Digital Health and Safety Application for Pipeline projects by *Spyros Manis, Site Project Manager - Avax*
- 10:10 – 10:40 Strengthening the Weak Links: Composite Reinforcement, Coating Reliability & Modern Tank Insulation - by *Dinko Cudic, Director of Markets and Applications Development - Henkel*
- 10:40 – 11:10 How subcontractors can make claims directly against employers even though there is no privity - by *Virginie Colaiuta, Solicitor - LMS Legal LLP*
- 11:10 – 11:40 Geotechnical Risk in Pipeline Projects - by *Jack Allison, Chartered Civil Engineer - Hawkins*
- 11:40 – 11:50 Closing Remarks & Way Forward  
*Somaieh & Georges*
- 12:00 – 13:30 – Lunch – (At the hotel)**

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