

# News Release



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## IPAMS Announces New Director of Membership and Events

(Denver)- The Independent Petroleum Association of the Mountain States (IPAMS) announced today the appointment of Susan Fakharzadeh to the newly created position of Director of Membership and Events. Susan brings a wealth of experience and knowledge in sales and marketing which will be used to help keep up with IPAMS expanding membership base, new strategic business planning, marketing, and event enhancement.

Fakharzadeh spent seven years working in the electronic distribution industry, with roles spanning from strategic marketing to business development. Her diverse background also includes working as a consultant for colleges and universities creating on-line degree programs as well as writing and business development in high-tech. A native of the Rocky Mountain west, Susan grew up in Idaho and attended the University of Colorado at Boulder, and holds a Bachelor of Arts in English and Philosophy.

"We are proud to have Susan join the professional staff at IPAMS as Director of Membership and Events," said Marc Smith, Executive Director of IPAMS. "It's important for us to stay connected with our 400 plus member companies who are pursuing opportunities in the West. Connections and strong relationships help us transform the opportunities of natural gas and oil into a reality for our member companies. Susan's experience in the high-tech industry, academia and conference planning are a perfect match for the needs of our growing membership."

Fakharzadeh will be responsible for member relations, membership development, and event planning. She can be reached at 303-623-0987 or via email at [sfakharzadeh@ipams.org](mailto:sfakharzadeh@ipams.org).

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*The Independent Petroleum Association of Mountain States (IPAMS), founded in 1974, is a non-profit trade association representing more than 400 independent natural gas and oil producers, service and supply companies, banking and financial institutions and industry consultants committed to environmentally responsible energy development in the Intermountain West. More information on IPAMS and its members is available at [www.ipams.org](http://www.ipams.org)*