

#### Lebanon's First Offshore Licensing Round 2017

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# **The Eastern Mediterranean ...**



#### **Exploration History East to 31 Longitude (East MED)**

Country	Year	Name	Depth	Estimated	Production	Тгар Туре	Sedimentological Target
				Reserves	Start		
Occ. Palestine						Stratigraphic	Pliocene Submarine Channel
	1999	Noa	1880	0.04	2012		Filled Sands
Occ. Palestine						Structural/	Pliocene Submarine Channel
	2000	Mari-B	2082	1.5	2004	stratigraphic	Filled Sands
Palestine	2000	Gaza Marine	610	1	N/A	Stratigraphic	Pliocene Turbidite sandstone
Occ. Palestine	2009	Dalit	3685	0.5	2013	Structural	Miocene Turbidite Sandstone
Occ. Palestine						Structural	Miocene/Oligocene sub-salt
	2009	Tamar	4900	10	2013		slope and fan sandstones
Occ. Palestine						Structural	Miocene/Oligocene sub-salt
	2010	Leviathan	5170	18	2016		slope and fan sandstones
Occ. Palestine	2011	Dolphin	4400	0.08	N/A	Structural	Miocene Turbidite Sandstone
Cyprus						Structural	Miocene/Oligocene sub-salt
	2011	Aphrodite	5860	7> 5> 4.1	2017		slope and fan sandstones
Occ. Palestine	2012	Myra	4659	Failed	-	-	-
Occ. Palestine	2012	Sara	3946	Failed	-	-	-
Occ. Palestine						Structural	Miocene sub salt channel fill
	2012	Shimshon	4403	0.3	N/A		sands
Occ. Palestine	2012	Tanin	5500	1.2	N/A	Structural	Miocene Turbidite Sandstone
Occ. Palestine	2013	Karish	4790	1.8	N/A	Structural	Miocene Turbidite Sandstone
Cyprus	2014	Onasagoras	5800	Dry	-	Structural	Miocene Turbidite Sandstone
Cyprus	2015	Amathusa	5485	Dry	-	Structural	Miocene Turbidite Sandstone
Egypt			4131			Structural	Lower Middle
							Miocene/Cretaceous
	2015	Zohr		30	DETOO Q4 2017		Carbonate Reservoir
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#### Sedimentological Target and Estimated Reserves (Pre-Zohr Discovery)





Pliocene Sands
 Miocene/Oligocene Sands



#### Sedimentological Target and Estimated Reserves (Post-Zohr Discovery)



# Where does Lebanon stand?





#### Lebanon Advantages in Attracting E&P Investment



Attractive Blocks Offshore Lebanon are available for licensing







Modern Legal and Contractual framework



Progressive Fiscal system/ Transparent bidding



Proximity & accessibility to Large Markets

# **Establishing State and Investor balance**

State Concerns	Investor Concerns	
	Transparency	
	Finding Commercial Discoveries	
Fair Revenue Share		
Prompt Exploration		Dight To Monotizo
Environment		Right to Monetize
Local Goods & Services		Stability
Training		Enforceability
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Local Employment		Treatedointy
Activity Control		
Prudent Production		



# **Competitive Bidding Process**

Model EPA Published with Fixed Provisions

Tender Protocol Published with Fixed Terms

**Biddable Parameters Defined** 

Quantitative Assessment of Applications (Technical/Commercial)

Evaluation Report and Results Submitted to Minister then CoM for Award

License Awarded based on CoM Decision

Petroleum Register – Licenses, Companies, Beneficial Ownership etc.



# **Bidding Parameters**



#### **Grading System**

Tender protocol specifies weighting for the items described above	Each of the items shall be evaluated independently, with the highest mark for each item attributed to the best proposal by a consortium for such item	Overall weight split: 70% for the Commercial Proposal and 30% for the Technical Proposal
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#### **Overview of Key Economic Terms**

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#### Royalties

- Crude Oil: Sliding Scale ranging from 5% to 12% based on monthly average daily production rate
- Natural Gas: 4% flat royalty

#### Cost Petroleum

- Costs fully recoverable up to fixed percentage of petroleum produced, determined through bidding
- Maximum bid percentage: 65%

#### Profit Petroleum:

- Profit petroleum split based on bidding (minimum and maximum State profit petroleum share)
- After costs recovered, split adjusted based on R-Factor

#### • Profit tax:

- The OPR Law requires companies to pay all Lebanese taxes
- Stabilization clause in EPA: Excess corporate income tax is cost recoverable (deduction if tax rate reduced)



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# First Licensing Round – Roadmap

23 February From 2 February to 31 March 15 September 22 September 16 October 15 November

Inviting oil and gas companies to participate in a **consultation workshop** in Lebanon

Launching a marketing campaign to promote the first licensing round

Inviting oil and gas companies to participate in a prequalification round

Issuing the tax law related to the petroleum activities by the parliament

Answering questions received from the oil and gas companies and publishing the clarifications on the LPA website

Receiving bids from prequalified companies on the blocks open for bidding

Publishing the list of applicants per block

LPA prepares an evaluation report per block

CoM decision to **approve awards and signature of EPAs** with winning consortiums

LPA to follow up on the contracts awarded and the commencement of the exploration phase





### **Pre-qualification**



# **Pre-qualification Rounds**

- New pre-qualification round
  - Closing Date: 31 March 2017
  - Announcement of results: 13 April 2017
- April 2013 pre-qualification round:
  - 12 companies prequalified as Right Holders Operators
  - 34 companies prequalified as Right Holders Non-Operators

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# **RIGHT HOLDER - OPERATOR**

#### Legal

- Joint stock company whose object allows the conduct of Petroleum Activities
- Financial
  - Total assets of USD 10 billion
- Technical
  - Operatorship of at least 1 petroleum development in water depths in excess of 500m

### QHSE

- QHSE policy statement(s)
- Established & implemented QHSEMS



# **RIGHT HOLDER – NON-OPERATOR**

# Legal

- Joint stock company whose object allows the conduct of Petroleum Activities
- Financial
  - Total assets of USD 500 Million
- Technical
  - Having an established petroleum production
- » QHSE
  - QHSE policy statement(s)
  - Established & implemented QHSEMS



### **Blocks Open**



# **Seismic Database**





 8,036 Km 2D (2006-2011)
 9,576 Km<sup>2</sup> 3D (2006-2013)

 Spectrum
 5,087 Km 2D (2000-2002)
 5385 Km<sup>2</sup> 3D (2012/13)

6000 km<sup>2</sup> MERG
 & Hyperspectral

Other:

- 508 km 2D Offshore Tripoli (1993)
- 2,236 km 2D Levant (TGS)

# **Geologic Domains and Zoning**



 The Continental Margin or Mesozoic Platform (Zone 4 & 5)

 ✓ The Neogene Continental Platform (Zone 6 & 7)

Block	Sedimentological Target	<b>Т</b> гар Туре	Geologic Zones	Hydrocarbon Potential
1	<ol> <li>Plio-Quaternary Sands</li> <li>Miocene/Oligocene Sands</li> </ol>	Structural	Zone 1: Latakia Ridge	High/Moderate: Gas, possible condensate and oil



Vertical scale in msTWT

Block	Sedimentological Target	Тгар Туре	Geologic Zones	Hydrocarbon Potential
4	<ol> <li>Plio-Quaternary Sands</li> <li>Miocene/Oligocene</li> <li>Sands</li> <li>Carbonate build-up</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>1) Structural</li> <li>2) Stratigraphic</li> </ol>	Zone 2: Deep Basin Zone 4: Mesozoic Platform North	Moderate: Gas, possible condensate and oil



Block	Sedimentological Target	Тгар Туре	Geologic Zones	Hydrocarbon Potential
8	1) Plio-Quaternary Sands 2) Miocene/Oligocene Sands	Structural	Zone 3: Deep Levant Basin (Closer to existing discovery than previous blocks)	High: Gas, some condensate







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10	<ol> <li>1) Plio-Quaternary Sands</li> <li>2) Miocene/Oligocene Sands</li> <li>3) Carbonate Build up</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Stratigraphic</li> <li>Structural</li> </ol>	Zone 5: Mesozoic Platform Zone 7: Neogene Continental Platform	Gas, possible condensate & oil







# Summary of proposed blocks (2017)

Blocks	1	4	8	9	10
Hydrocarbon					
Potential	High/Moderate	Moderate	High	Very High	Very High
Sand Targets	Pre-Zohr	Pre-Zohr	Pre-Zohr	Pre-Zohr	Pre-Zohr
Carbonate					
Targets	Absent	Post-Zohr	Absent	Post-Zohr	Post-Zohr
	Biogenic &	Biogenic &	Biogenic &	Biogenic &	Biogenic &
Gas	Thermogenic	Thermogenic	Thermogenic	Thermogenic	Thermogenic
Condensate	Possible	Possible	some	Possible	Possible condensate
& Oil	condensate &oil	condensate & oil	condensate	condensate & oil	& oil
		Structural &		Structural &	Structural &
Traps	Structural	Stratigraphic	Structural	Stratigraphic	Stratigraphic

- Total in Open Blocks:
  - 10 Leads
  - 64 Prospects: Structural & Stratigraphic Traps





#### **Potential Gas Market**



The Power Generation is the first potential local market for Natural Gas.



By 2030, the Natural Gas volume needed to fire the electricity sector would account for  $^{\circ}0.26$  TCF per year.



# Lebanon holds friendly relationships with potential markets and is well connected in the region.

- Lebanon holds friendly relations with Syria, Turkey, Cyprus, Egypt, Jordan and the EU.
- Lebanese Natural Gas can easily reach Syria, Jordan and Egypt through the Arab Gas Pipeline.
- Turkey can be reached by an extension of the Arab Gas Pipeline or through a short offshore shallow water pipeline.
- The EU markets can be reached through Turkey.
- Lebanon can tie-in to any regional collaboration passing through Cyprus.





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# Thank you

