



The Republic of Congo's Second International Hydrocarbons Conference & Exhibition
CIEHC-2
14-16 April 2014, Brazzaville, Republic of Congo
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11/07/2013 - The **Ministry of Hydrocarbons, Republic of Congo** in association with **AME Trade Ltd.** are organising the Republic of Congo's **2nd International Oil and Gas Conference and Exhibition (CIEHC-2)** will take place at the **Palais des Congres, Brazzaville** from **14 – 16 April 2014**. The main theme of the event is: *'To develop the economic environment and sustainable energy, driven by the Congolese Hydrocarbons Industry.'*

CIEHC-2 will be a turnkey event covering the opportunities and challenges associated with doing business in the Republic of Congo's hydrocarbons sector. It will feature a **three days of conference sessions, a trade exhibition, interactive workshops and technical and touristic excursions**. CIEHC is **already established** as the **leading oil and gas event** in the Central African region, the first edition of the event (2011) **featured over 500 delegates, 51 speakers and 27 exhibitors** emanating from **23 countries**.

The Republic of Congo has established itself as a **major player in the Africa's hydrocarbons industry** and is amongst the **top five of continent's petroleum producers**. The event will focus on potentialities in **Congo's pre-salt, post-salt and ultra deep oil zones**, exploration is underway with encouraging discoveries but many areas remain unexplored. Congo's **onshore oil blocks** in the Cuvette Basin are available but not valorised. Congo's **gas reserves are estimated at 3.20 trillion cubic feet**, only small amounts are monetised. Projects for utilising Congo's gas resources include: the Central Electric of Congo, using the gas from the M'boundi oilfield will construct in Djeno a **new power station (300 MW, planned for a future output of 450 MW)**. Future gas to electricity will be provided from the Litchendjili field.

The new legal and financial framework in the upstream petroleum sector has been adapted to the latest trends of the worldwide petroleum industry and will supersede the current framework which was put in place in 1994. Mature fields such as Madingo, Marine VI and Marine VII permits could produce more with state of the art extraction technology. There is the potential to develop marginal deposits, by using new methods such as hydraulic fracturing in the fields of Mengo-Bindi-Kundji or vapour injection in the Emeraude Field.

Congo's declining production will be replenished by Moho Nord where new and existing investors will spend \$10 billion USD to produce **140,000 barrels of oil equivalent per day (boe/d) by 2017**. Recently there was a hydrocarbon discovery on Nene Marine I part of the Marine XII permit. **The Lianzi project**, which is being developed by several partners, will see a production peaking at 46,000 bpd, which production slated for 2015. Investment will be upwards of 2 billion USD. **Unconventional oil projects in Congo** which will recover between 500 million and 2.5 billion barrels reserves of oil sands also promise many new resources. Congo has plans for a new refinery in the very new future to develop its downstream sector.

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