

Governance of the Oil and Gas Sector in Lebanon: A Multi-stakeholder Approach to Strengthen Civil Society's Role

Thursday November 26 – Friday November 27, 2020
Virtual panels discussions Via Zoom

Day 1: Thursday November 26th, 2020

Time	Panel Topic	Panelists	Moderator
9:45 - 10:15 AM	Key Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ambassador Jon Hanssen-Bauer, Embassy's Chargé d'Affaires, Embassy of Norway - Dr. Pierre Saade, Senior Mena Regional Coordinator at Publish What You Pay (PWYP) - Mr. Amer Mardam Bey, Executive Board Member at the Lebanese Oil and Gas Initiative (LOGI) 	
10:15 - 11:30 AM	The importance of following a multi stakeholder approach in the management of the petroleum sector	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Mr. Walid Nasr, Acting Chairman of the Board, Head of Strategic Planning Department of the Lebanese Petroleum Administration (LPA) -- Ms. Elisa Peter, Executive Director of Publish What You Pay 	Mr. Julien Courson, Executive director of the Lebanese Transparency Association-TI Lebanon Chapter

		-Mr. Mark Robinson, Executive Director of the Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative (EITI)	
12:00 - 1:15 PM	Unfolding of the EITI in Lebanon: Strengthening the role of civil society	<p>- Mr. Adnan Bhaya, Member of PWYP Global Council and representative for Middle East and North Africa</p> <p>-Ms. Diana Kaissy, Executive Director of Lebanese Oil and Gas Initiative (LOGI)</p> <p>-Mr. Nassim Bennani, Country and Policy Manager, Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative (EITI)</p>	<i>Dr. Pierre Saade Senior Mena Regional Coordinator at Publish What You Pay (PWYP)</i>
3:00 - 4:15 PM	Public consultation: An incubator for trust and consensus building	<p>- Honorable judge, Georges Okais, Member of Lebanese Parliament</p> <p>- Mr. Arkan El Siblani, Chief Technical Advisor on Anti-corruption & Integrity in the Arab Countries at UNDP</p> <p>- Mr. Yassine Jaber, Member of Lebanese Parliament</p> <p>- Ms. Kristen Mcgeeney, Senior Legal Advisor at ICNL MENA</p>	<i>Mr. Nabil Hassan, partner at Beyond Group</i>

Day 2: Friday November 27th, 2020

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9:30 - 10:45 AM	The impact of Maritime border disputes in the East Med on the future of Hydrocarbon explorations.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mr. Marwan Abdallah, Co-founder of Organization for Petroleum and Energy Sustainability (OPES) - General Elias Hanna, senior lecturer on strategy and geopolitics at Notre Dame University - Dr. Charles Ellinas, Non-Resident Senior Fellow at Atlantic Council, CEO at EC Cyprus Natural Hydrocarbons Company Ltd (eCNHC) 	<p>Mr. Marc Ayoub, Engineer & Energy Researcher at AUB Issam Fares Institute for Public Policy and Intl. Affairs - Energy Policy & Security</p>
11:00 - 12:15 PM	Towards implementing beneficial ownership and establishing the petroleum registry	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ms. Tonje Gormley, Petroleum Law Expert - Mr. Cezar Abi Khalil, Member of Lebanese Parliament - Dr. Valerie Marcel, Associate Fellow at Chatham House - Ms. Lama Hariz, Member of the leadership council of the Progressive Socialist Party, entrusted with following and monitoring the Oil & Gas file 	<p>Mrs. Carine Tohme, Lebanese Association for Taxpayers' Rights-ALDIC</p>



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<p>2:00 - 3:15 PM</p>	<p>Lessons learnt from recent dry wells in the East-med: The examples of Cyprus and Egypt</p>	<p>- <i>Dr. Nicolas Hawi, Project Manager & Senior Petroleum Systems Analyst at Beicip-Franlab/French Institute of Petroleum (IFP)</i></p> <p>- <i>Mr. Efthymios Efthymiou, Senior Geophysicist at Cyprus Hydrocarbons Company (CHC)</i></p> <p>-<i>Dr. Ahmed Salah, General Manager at Premier Egypt</i></p> <p>- <i>Dr. Nasser Saidi, Founder and president of Nasser Saidi and Associates, former minister of Economy and Industry</i></p>	<p><i>Mr. Johnny West, Co-founder and director of Open Oil</i></p>
<p>3:30 - 4:45 PM</p>	<p>Mitigating the environmental impact of offshore hydrocarbon exploration.</p>	<p>- <i>Mr. Assem Bou Ibrahim, Head of Quality, Health, Safety and Environment (QHSE) unit at the Lebanese Petroleum Administration (LPA)</i></p> <p>- <i>Mr. Ricardo Khoury, Environmental expert at ELARD</i></p> <p>- <i>Dr. Sandy Ardo, Environmental Specialist at Ministry of Environment</i></p> <p>- <i>Ms. Christelle El Hayek, Project Manager at the Lebanese Oil and Gas Initiative (LOGI)</i></p>	<p><i>Ms. Jina Talj, Director of Diaries of The Ocean (DOTO)</i></p>
<p>4:45 - 5:15 PM</p>	<p>Summary of key takeaways and way forward</p>	<p>- <i>Diana Kaissy, The Lebanese Oil and Gas Initiative (LOGI)</i></p> <p>- <i>Pierre Saade, Publish What You Pay (PWYP)</i></p>	