Agenda

JRC Workshop for Offshore Competent Authorities

Sharing EUOAG Members' experiences and practices in implementing their Competent Authorities' arrangements

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Morning: Transfer of participants from the airports to the JRC Visitors’ Centre 

13:00-14:00  Light Lunch & Registration 

14.00-14:20  Welcome and Opening of the Workshop 

14:00 - Welcome by the JRC and EUOAG co-chair and domestic arrangements (S. Tarantola – JRC, W. Kennedy – UK BEIS) 

14:05 - Objectives and structure of the workshop (S. Walker) 

14:10 - Brief delegates’ introduction 

14:20-16:50  Session I – Overall experiences of Competent Authority arrangements 

14:20 – Experience of setting up a Competent Authority from scratch (V. Vaniček, D. Dobrinić – Croatian Hydrocarbon Agency) 

14:35 – Experience of adapting an existing offshore regulator body to the OSD Competent Authority model (R. Cianella – Italian Ministry of Economic Development, R. Gerboni – Polytechnic of Turin) 

14:50 – The Industry view on how the EU Competent Authorities are working (C. Schwarck – International Association of Oil and Gas Producers) 

15:05 – Group Exercise (split into four groups): Reviewing Competent Authority’s arrangements. To review the creation and introduction of their own CA arrangements, and to identify priorities for improvement in the future. 

16:05 – Coffee/Tea break 

16:20 – Feedback from working groups and plenary discussion. 

16:50-18:30  Session II – Well Operations, Workovers and Interventions 

16:50 – Introductory presentation (S. Walker) 

16:55 – How the Industry faces these issues (H. Goreta – INAgip d.o.o., P. Cavanna – Edison) 

17:35 – Issues of concern to Competent Authorities (M. El Halimi – Danish Working Environment Authority) 

18:00 – Plenary discussion. 

18:30  End of Day One / Transfer to the Hotels 

20:00  Workshop Dinner for Delegates
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08:00: Transfer of participants from the hotels to the JRC Visitors' Centre

08:30: Tour of JRC Visitors’ Centre

09:00-09:15 Recap from the previous day

09:15-12:15 Session II (cont’d) – Well Operations, Workovers and Interventions

09:15 – Introduction to the Group Exercise (S. Walker)

09:25 – Group Exercise (split into four groups): Well Operations Notifications. To share experiences of how CAs respond to well operation notifications, to identify best/good practice, and to consider the verification requirements for well design and well control.

10:25 – Feedback from working groups and plenary discussion.

11:00 – Coffee/Tea break

11:15 – Group Exercise (split into four groups): Well Operation Weekly Reports. To provide an opportunity to share Competent Authorities’ experiences and practices of handling weekly reports and to identify best/good practices.

11:45 – Feedback from working groups and plenary discussion.

12:15-13:00 Session III – How can Competent Authorities respond to future changes in the offshore industry?

12:15 – Experiences with the Offshore Safety Directive and the way forward (J. Köhli – European Commission’s DG ENER)

12:35 – Overview of anticipated changes/challenges in Europe’s offshore hydrocarbons industry (C. Schwarck – International Association of Oil and Gas Producers)

13:00-14:00 Lunch break (buffet)

14:00-18:00 Session III (cont’d) – How can Competent Authorities respond to future changes in the offshore industry?

14:00 – Ensuring continuing safety and asset integrity of ageing assets. The industry’s approach to life extension (S. Copello – RINA) and the Competent Authority response to ageing assets (D. Walker – UK HSE).

15:30 – Competent authority response to decommissioning and well abandonment. Session covering the Competent Authority’s role in responding to decommissioning (A. van Gulik, H. Weenink – SSM The Netherlands)

16:30 – Coffee/Tea break

16:45 – Competent Authority response to changes in installation ownership – Session covering how Competent Authorities can respond to the “traditional” major oil companies disinvesting in offshore Europe and being replaced by smaller, newer companies (B. T. Bache – PSA Norway)

18:00 End of Day Two / Transfer to the Hotels

20:00 Workshop Dinner for Delegates
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08:30: Transfer of participants from the hotels to the JRC Visitors’ Centre

09:00-10:45  **Session IV – Combined Operations**

09:00 – Recap from previous day and introduction to the group exercise (S. Walker)

09:10 – Group Exercise (split into four groups): *Competent Authority Notifications*. To develop consensus about activities which are “combined operations”, to share different CA approaches to such notifications, and to identify any priorities for action.

10:00 – Feedback from working groups and plenary discussion.

10:30 – *Coffee/Tea break*

10:45-12:15  **Session V – Competent Authority documentation**

10:45 – Summary of OSD documentary requirements and introduction to the Group Exercise (S. Walker)

10:55 – Group Exercise (split into four groups): *Documentary requirements*. To consider how CAs can better meet the openness/transparency requirements of the OSD, and to develop good practice for a range of formal OSD documentation, including CA Annual Plans and Policy Statements.

11:40 – Feedback from working groups and plenary discussion.

12:15-12:30  **Conclusions**

12:15 – Wrap up session and workshop conclusions

12:30  **End of the Workshop / Light Lunch**

13:30-14:00  **Transfers to the Airport(s)**
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