

NEW CHALLENGES IN HYDROCARBONS EXPLORATION AND EXPLOITATION *DEVELOPMENTS IN SOUTH-EAST MEDITERRANEAN*



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SOUTH EAST MEDITERRANEAN – AN EMERGING REGION

Advantages

- A promising regional geological background
- Big hydrocarbon discoveries in the region
- Many attractive major “plays” have been identified
- Greater Mediterranean region is a market with large potential for oil and gas trading
- Located at the crossroads of big international energy routes

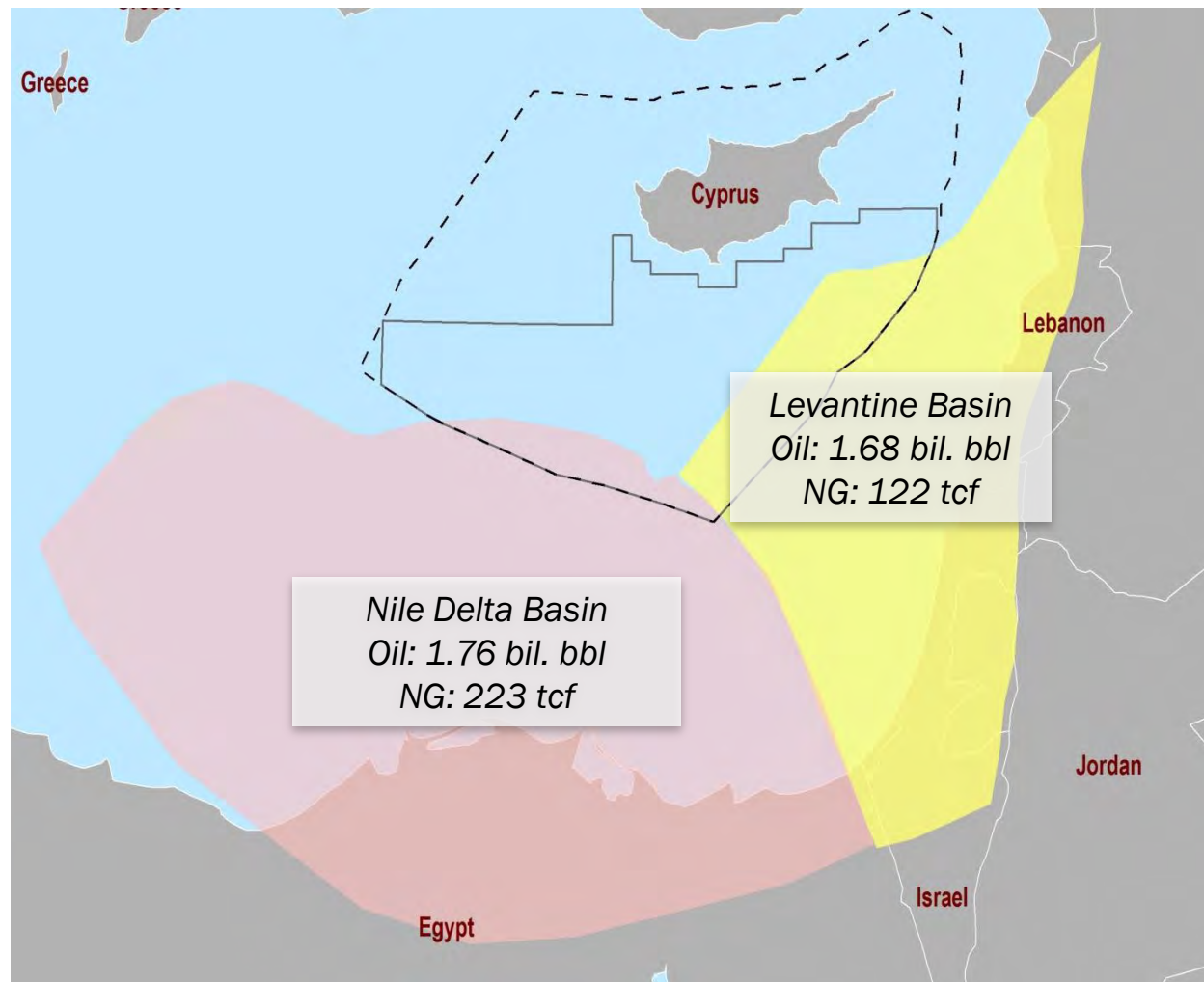


Disadvantages

- A historically tensioned geopolitical setting
 - Unstable political scene
 - Deep & Ultra Deep Operations
- The hydrocarbon activities can serve as a catalyst towards greater cooperation and stabilization in the region
 - New deep water technologies decrease the risk of the oil companies
 - High oil prices and increased gas demand secure the commerciality of the hydrocarbon discoveries

HYDROCARBON PROSPECTIVITY IN THE SOUTH EAST MED

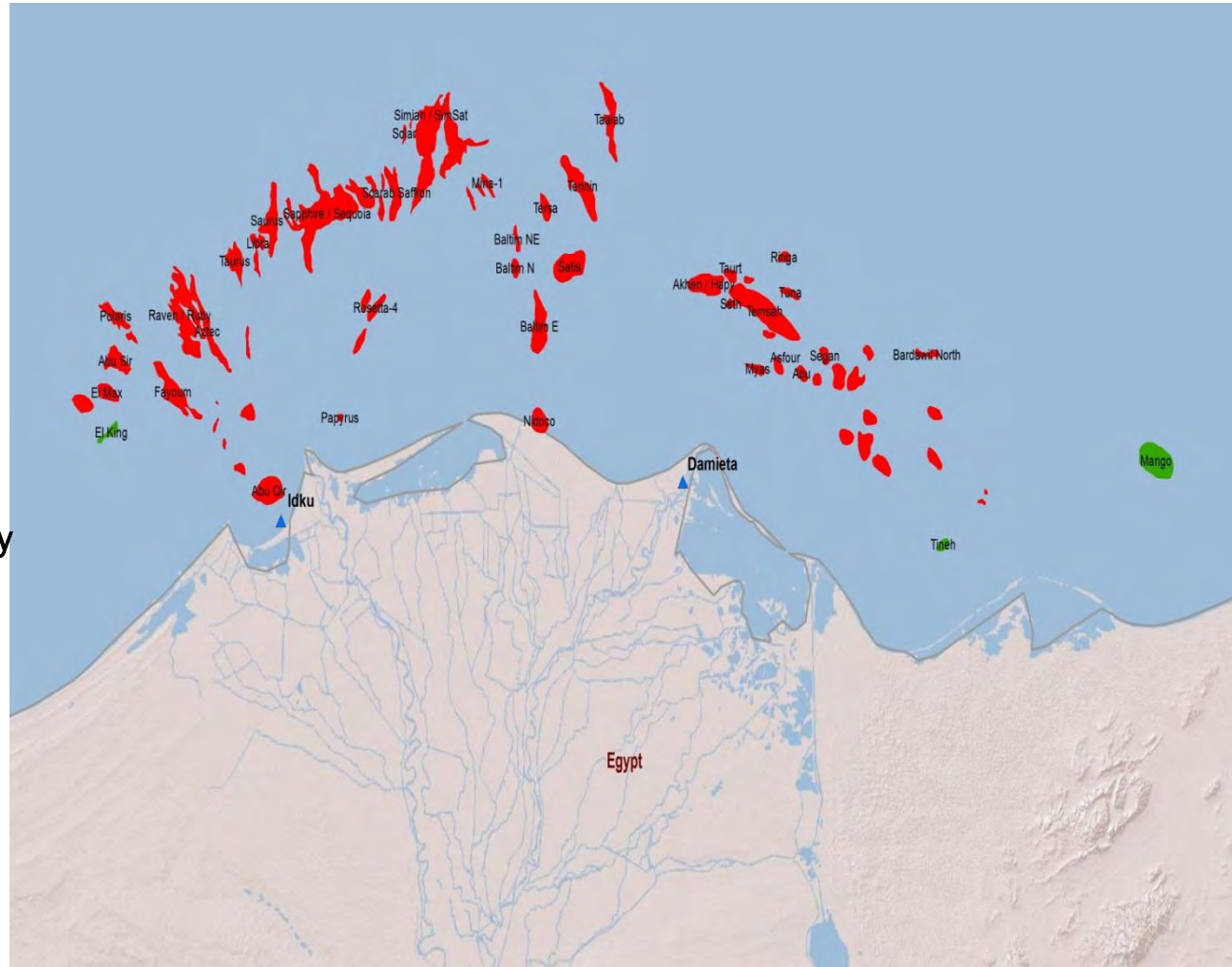
- USGS' Report shows that the Eastern Mediterranean region is a prospective and promising area with estimated significant amounts of undiscovered oil and gas.
- The assessments by USGS put the level of undiscovered oil and gas resources in the Eastern Mediterranean to a total of 3.4 bil. bbl for oil and 345 tcf for natural gas in the Nile Delta and Levantine basins.
- More recent estimates by Noble Energy:
 - Deep Mesozoic play in both Cyprus and Israel
 - 3 bil. bbl (approximation of gross unrisks oil potential)
 - Cyprus
 - 4 tcf (gross natural gas potential)



OFFSHORE HYDROCARBON ACTIVITIES – KEY FACTS

EGYPT

- Proven gas reserves at the end of 2012: 72 tcf*
- Total gas produced from all fields during the year 2012 reached 2.27 tcf
- Damietta & Idku LNG plants idled due to increased internal consumption
- Continuous political instability
- No attractive business environment for oil companies (more investments are needed in oil & gas activities)

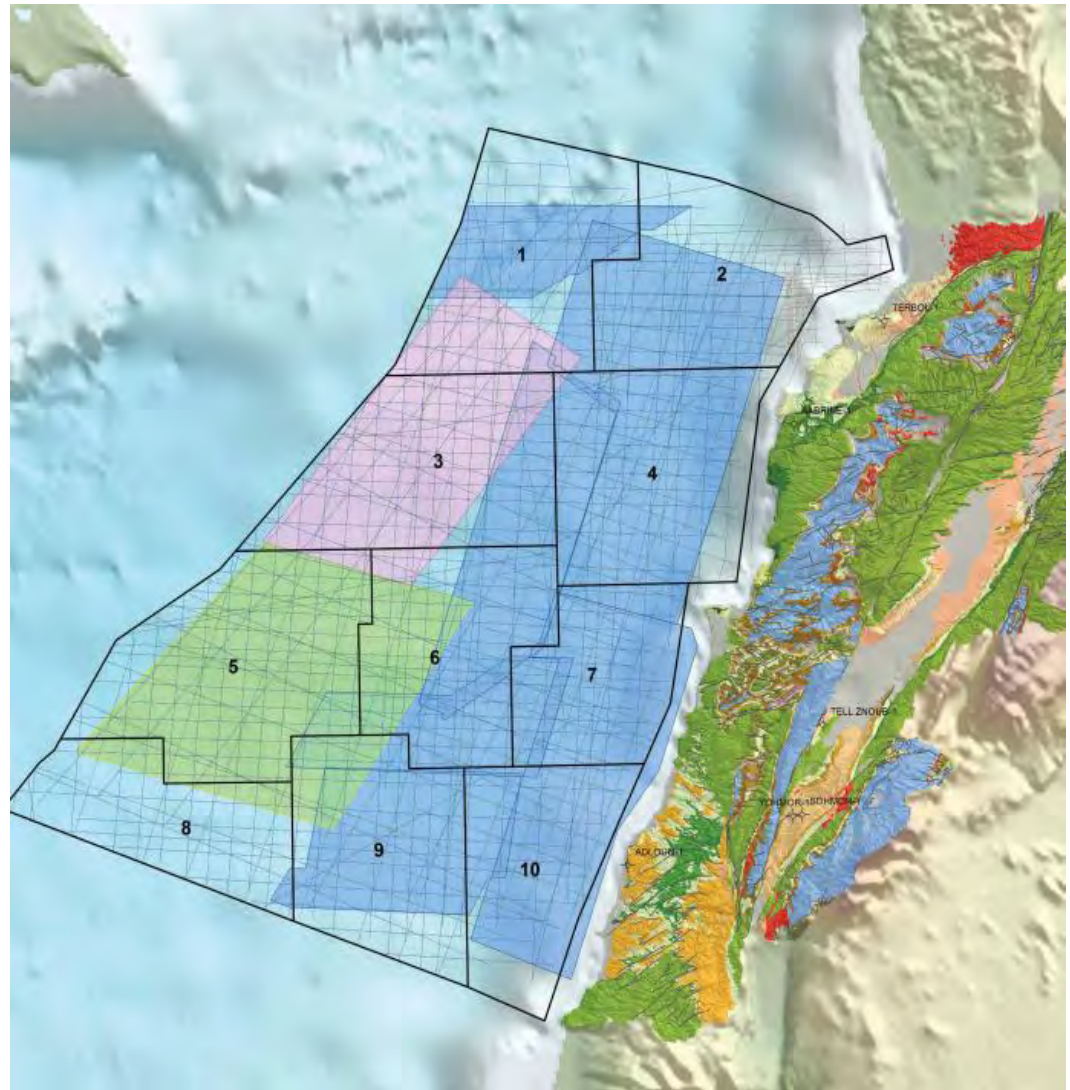


*Source: BP Statistical Review of World Energy

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LEBANON

- Large volumes of 2D & 3D seismic data
- Minister Bassil in 2013: *“Preliminary surveys of Lebanese offshore fields show reserves of 30 tcf of natural gas and 660 million bbl of oil”*
- 52 companies from 25 countries submitted their pre-qualification applications
- 12 companies were pre-qualified as “Operators” & 34 as “Non-Operators”
- 1st Licensing Round still pending

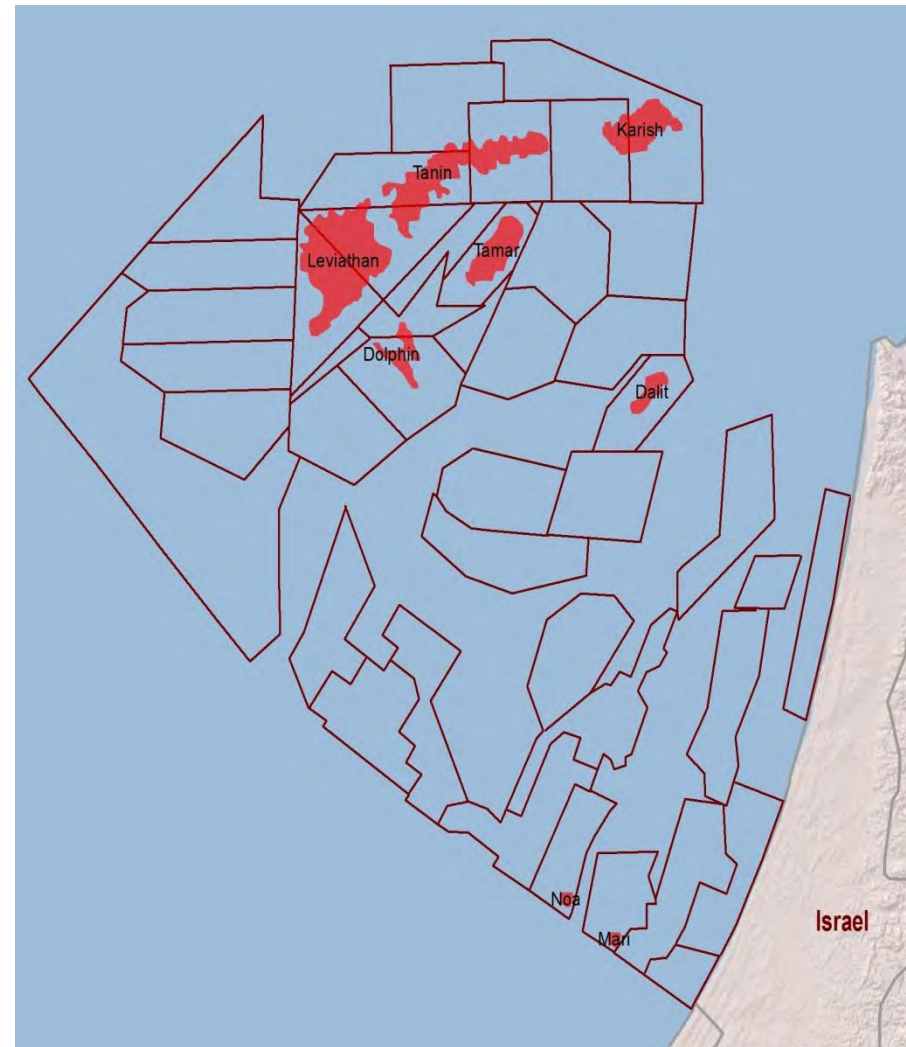


Source: Lebanese Petroleum Administration

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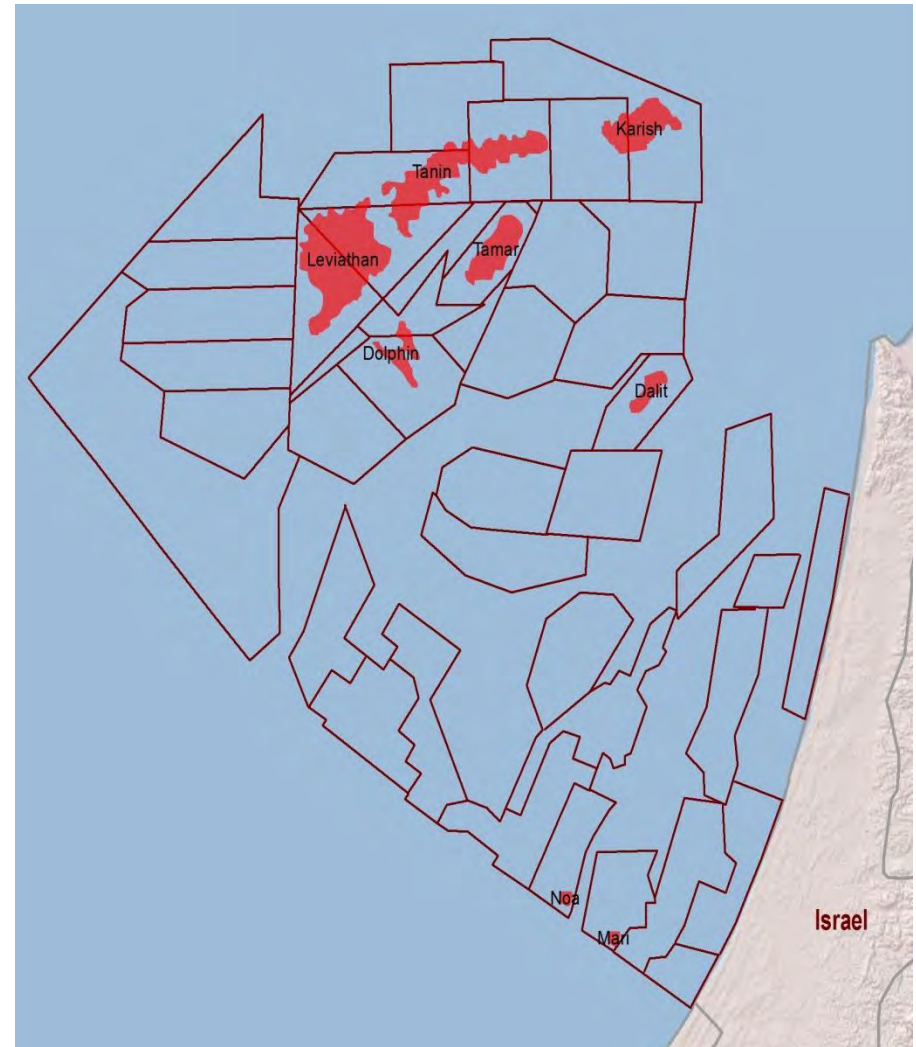
- In the last six years a series of successful exploration wells offshore Israel has resulted in the discovery of approximately 35 tcf of gas resources
- Gas sales from Tamar (10 tcf) began in March 2013, just over four years from discovery.
 - Israel domestic demand is the main market.
 - Negotiations are underway for:
 - 5 bcma of gas sales for 3 yrs to private customers in Egypt via the East Mediterranean Gas (EMG) pipeline
 - 4.5 bcma of gas sales for 15 yrs to Union Fenosa Gas for the LNG plant in Egypt
 - A total of 1.8 bcm for 15 years to Jordan



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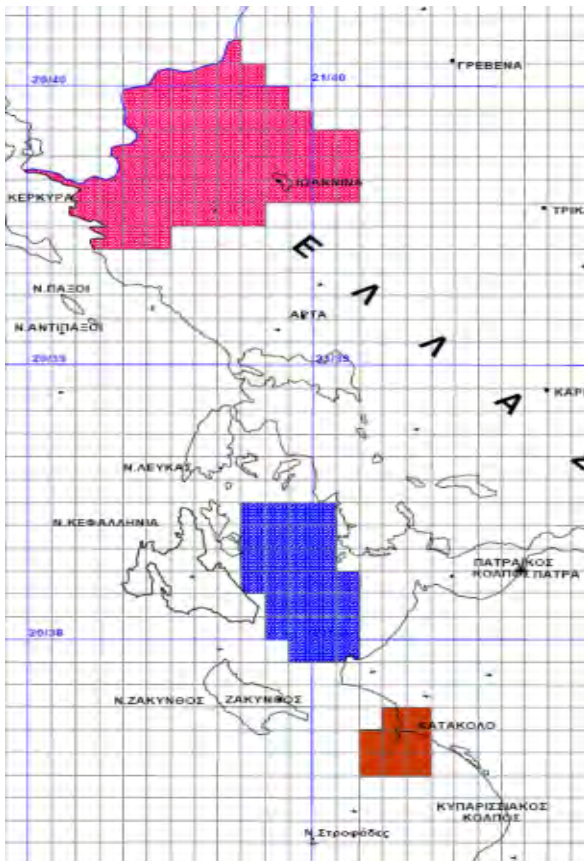
- The target for initial production from Leviathan (22 tcf) is 2017 / early 2018.
- Development plan = \$6.5 billion.
- Negotiations underway for:
 - 7 bcma of gas sales for 15 yrs to BG Group for the LNG plant in Egypt
 - A total of 45 bcm of gas sales to Jordan National Electric Power
 - Supply gas to Palestinian Power once Leviathan starts production (\$1.2 billion deal)



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GREECE

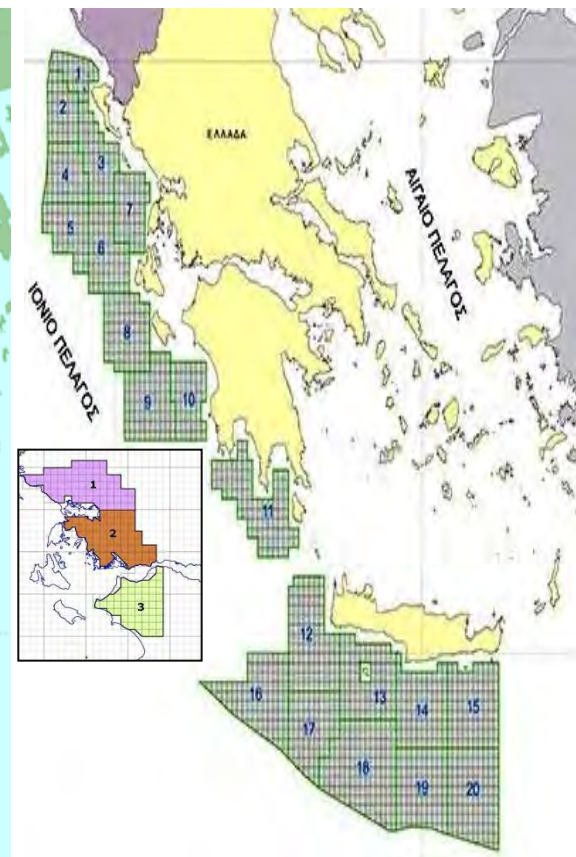
- Three concession agreements were signed in 2014 (Katakolo / West Patraikos / Ioannina)
- 12,430 of 2D seismic data were acquired in 2012/2013 in western & southern part
- Next Step: Licensing Round for offshore blocks & Applications for onshore areas



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INITIAL EXPLORATION ACTIVITIES OFFSHORE CYPRUS

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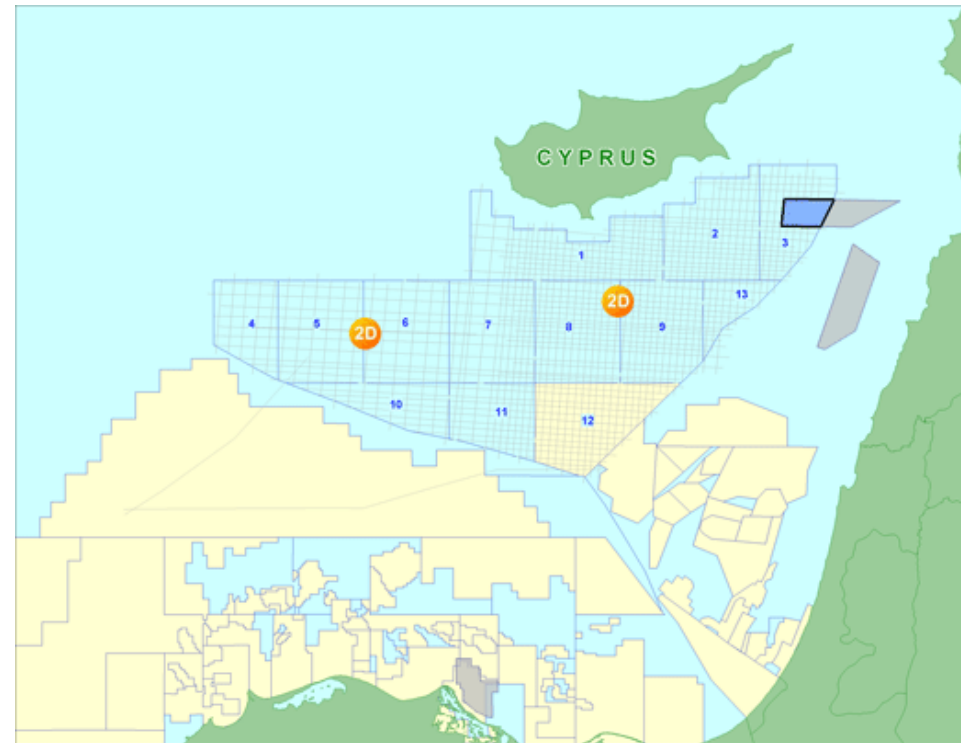
- 2-D seismic survey of 6,770 line-km
- Covered an area of 51,000 sq. km
- 20 x 20 km grid

2007

- 3-D seismic survey of 659 sq. km
- Covered a small area within Block 3

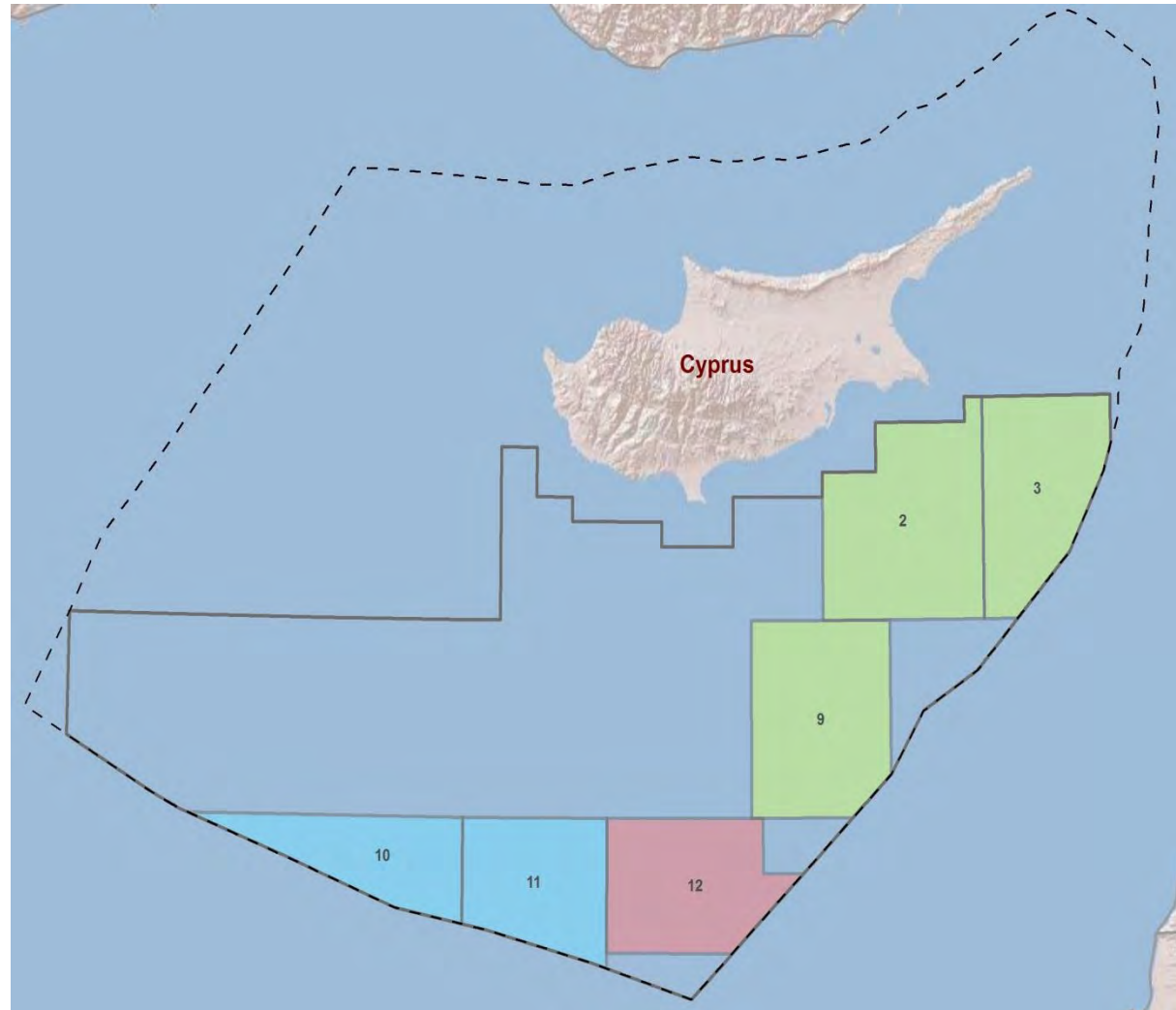
2008

- 2-D seismic survey of 12,000 line-km
- Covered an area of 51,000 sq. km
- 10 x 10 km grid on the western side
- 5 x 5 km grid on the eastern side
- First and biggest seismic survey to be carried out using PGS' GeoStreamer® technology

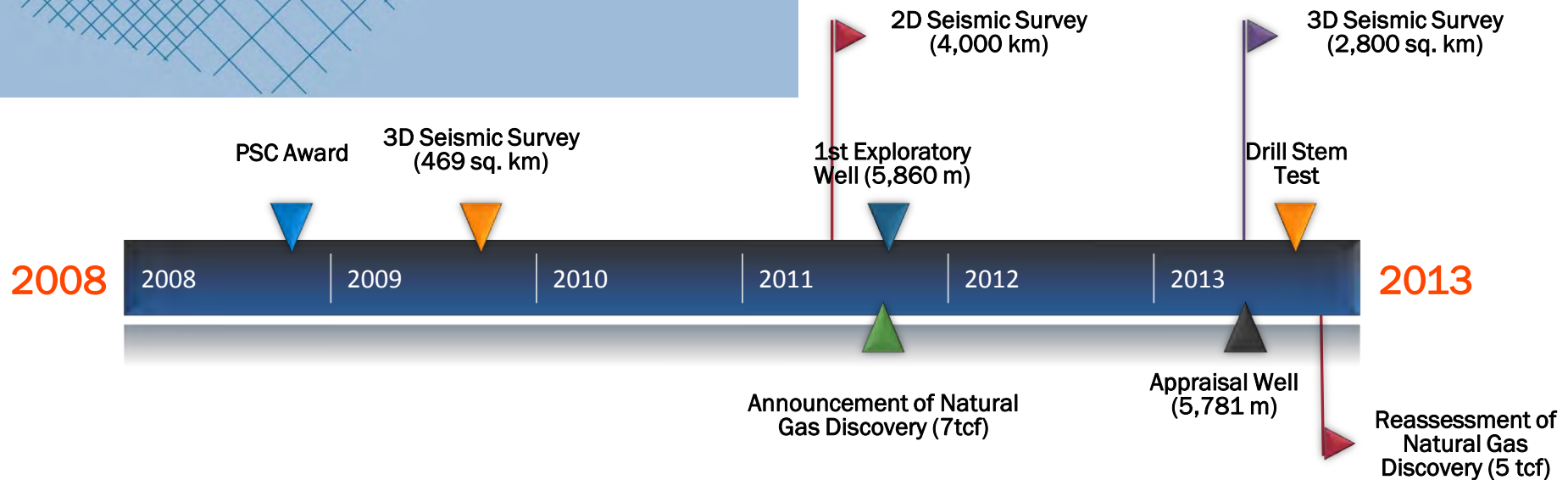
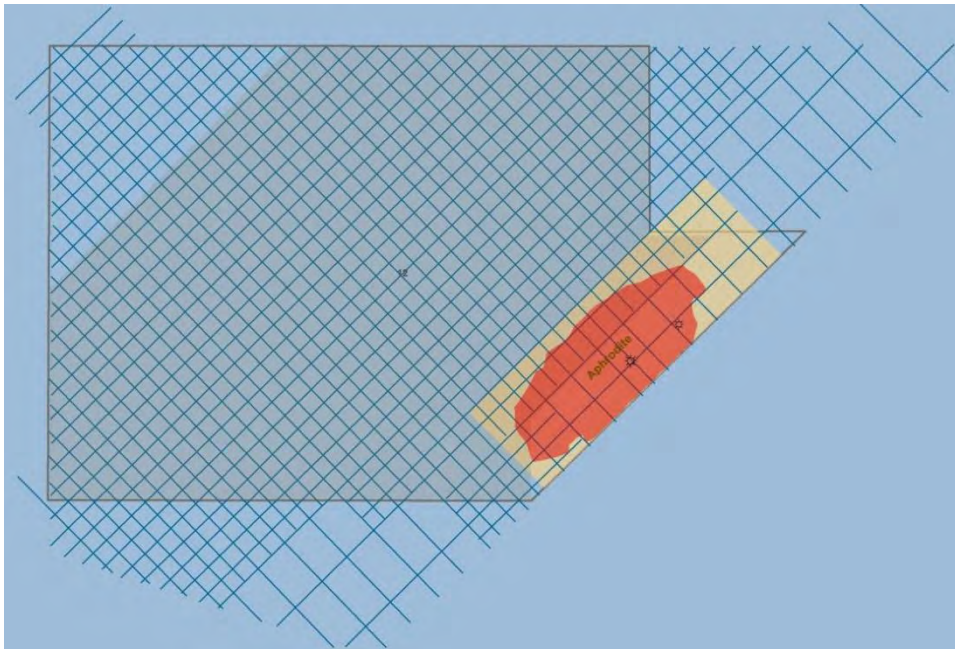


HYDROCARBON ACTIVITIES OFFSHORE CYPRUS

- Two Hydrocarbon Licensing Rounds: 2007 & 2012
- Six Hydrocarbon Exploration Licences were awarded:
 - Blocks 2,3,9: Eni (80%) / Kogas (20%)
 - Blocks 10,11: Total (100%)
 - Block 12: Noble Energy (70%) / Delek Drilling (15%) / Avner Oil Exploration (15%)



HYDROCARBON ACTIVITIES OFFSHORE CYPRUS – BLOCK 12



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- An agreement on the exchange of data (seismic & well data, studies) was signed between Cyprus and Israel – Noble Energy will utilize and evaluate the well data from “Ishai” block (offshore Israel)
- Future Plans:
 - One Exploration Well 12 by end 2015 – New Geological Structure
 - Second Appraisal Well for the “Aphrodite” gas discovery subject to the results of the evaluation of the data acquired in “Ishai”
 - Data gathering for assessing the commerciality of the gas discovery – Various options under evaluation: onshore LNG, FLNG, pipeline to LNG plants in Egypt



Drill Stem Test – Aphrodite Discovery

Source: www.mcit.gov.cy

HYDROCARBON ACTIVITIES OFFSHORE CYPRUS – BLOCKS 2,3,9

- Large volumes of 2D & 3D seismic data
- Four firm Exploration Wells + any Appraisal Well(s) by end 2015
- 1st Exploration Well in Block 9 (“Onasagoras”) spudded end September by the drillship “Saipem 10000”

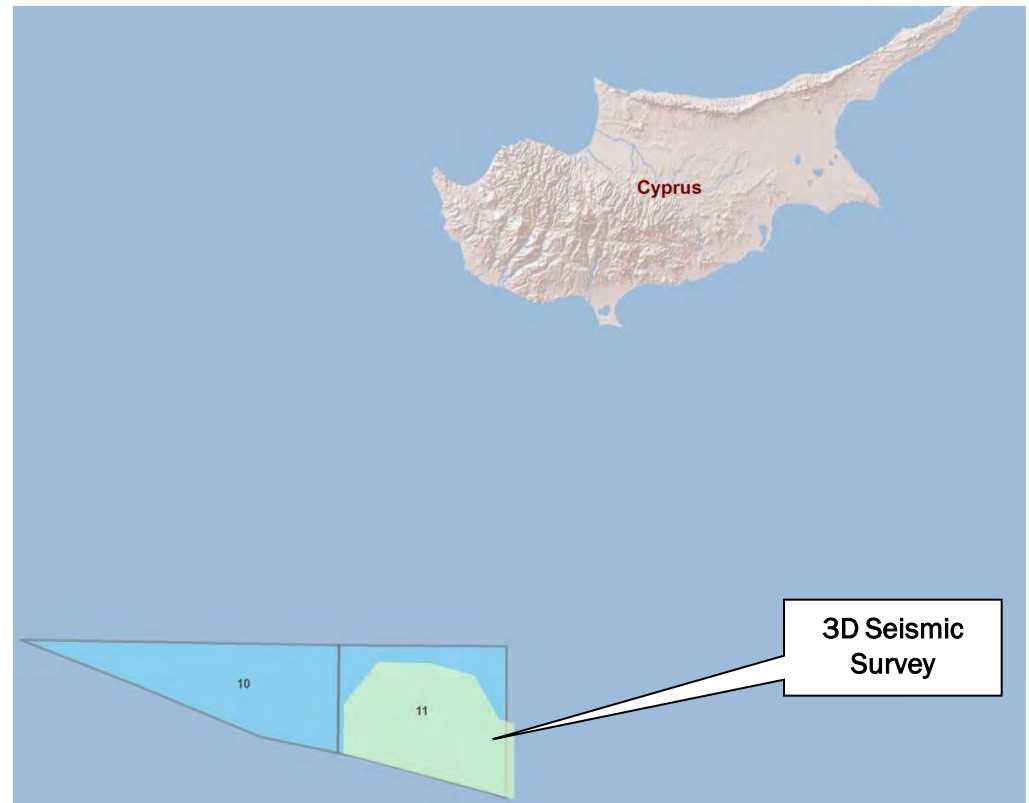


- Maximum depth of the exploration wells > 6,000 m – Water depth around 2,000 m



HYDROCARBON ACTIVITIES OFFSHORE CYPRUS – BLOCKS 10,11

- 3D Seismic survey in Block 11 – 2,200 sq. km.
- Coring and geochemical analysis of the seabed in Block 11
- 2D Seismic survey in Block 10 – 1,500 km
- Two firm Exploration Wells / second half of 2015 – early 2016



NG EXPLOITATION: LNG PLANT

- The establishment of an onshore LNG plant was until recently the first option for gas monetization
- More gas quantities are needed in order to become commercially viable – Results from Eni's exploration activities are anticipated → Statement by the Government
- It will be the largest investment in the island's history
- Offers export market flexibility
- Agreement with Israel for handling additional gas volumes mainly from “Leviathan” will be beneficial for project's viability
- Decisions must be taken soon – Many LNG projects under development around the world (especially in Australia and US)

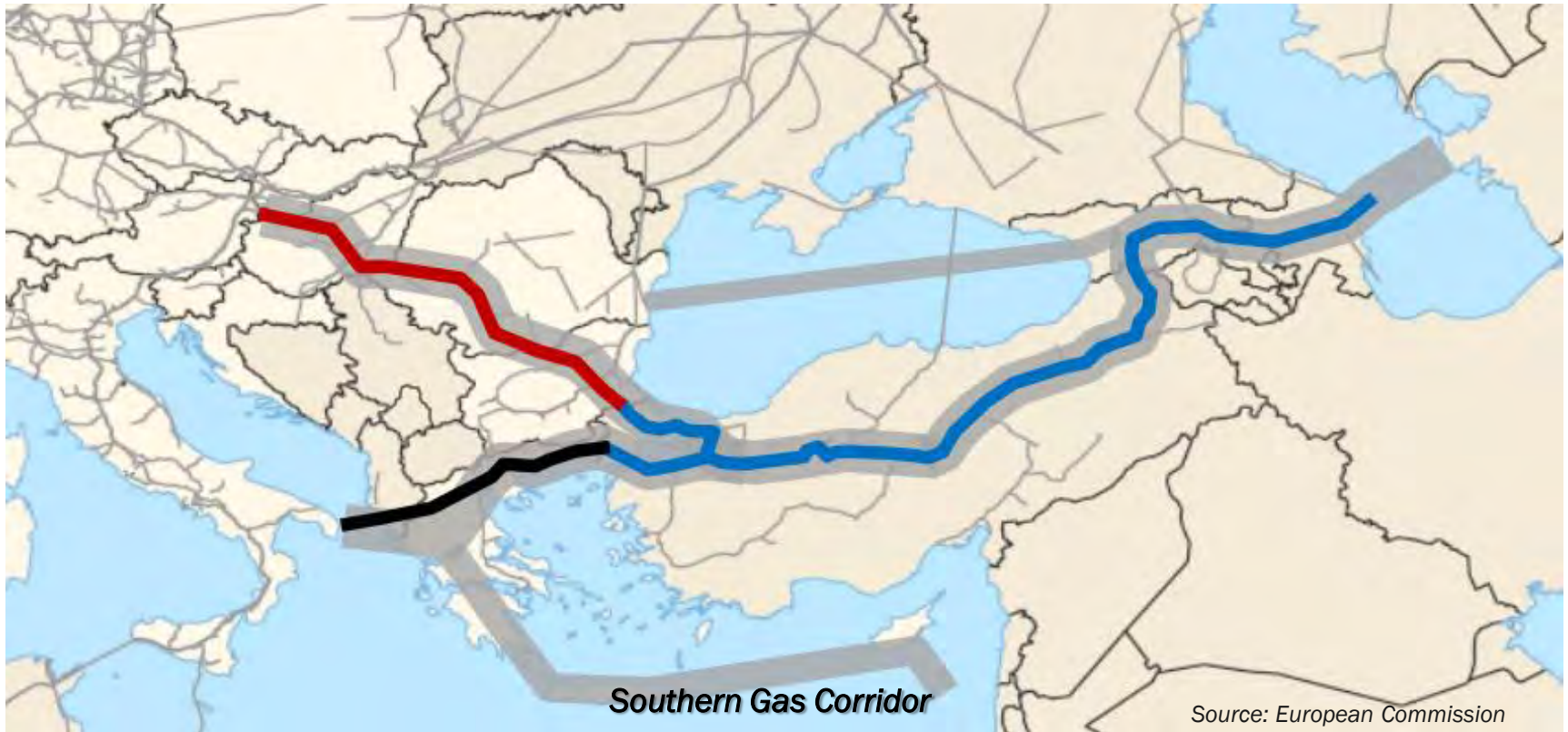


Source: Noble Energy

CAN SOUTH EAST MEDITERRANEAN REGION PLAY AN IMPORTANT ROLE TO EU'S ENERGY SUPPLY?

- Speech by President of the European Commission on the preparations of the European Council of 22 May 2013:

“We must continue to strengthen the internal and external diversification of our supplies. This includes tapping new international sources, for instance through the Southern Gas Corridor.”



PROJECTS OF COMMON INTEREST – ELECTRICITY



- The project (when implemented) can provide diversification and additional means for hydrocarbon exploitation (and also RES generation transfer).
- Phase 1 of the EuroAsia Interconnector (which is the connection between Cyprus and Israel) could provide an 'interim solution' and security of energy supply to Cyprus
 - can achieve lower electricity costs through energy supplies from Israel

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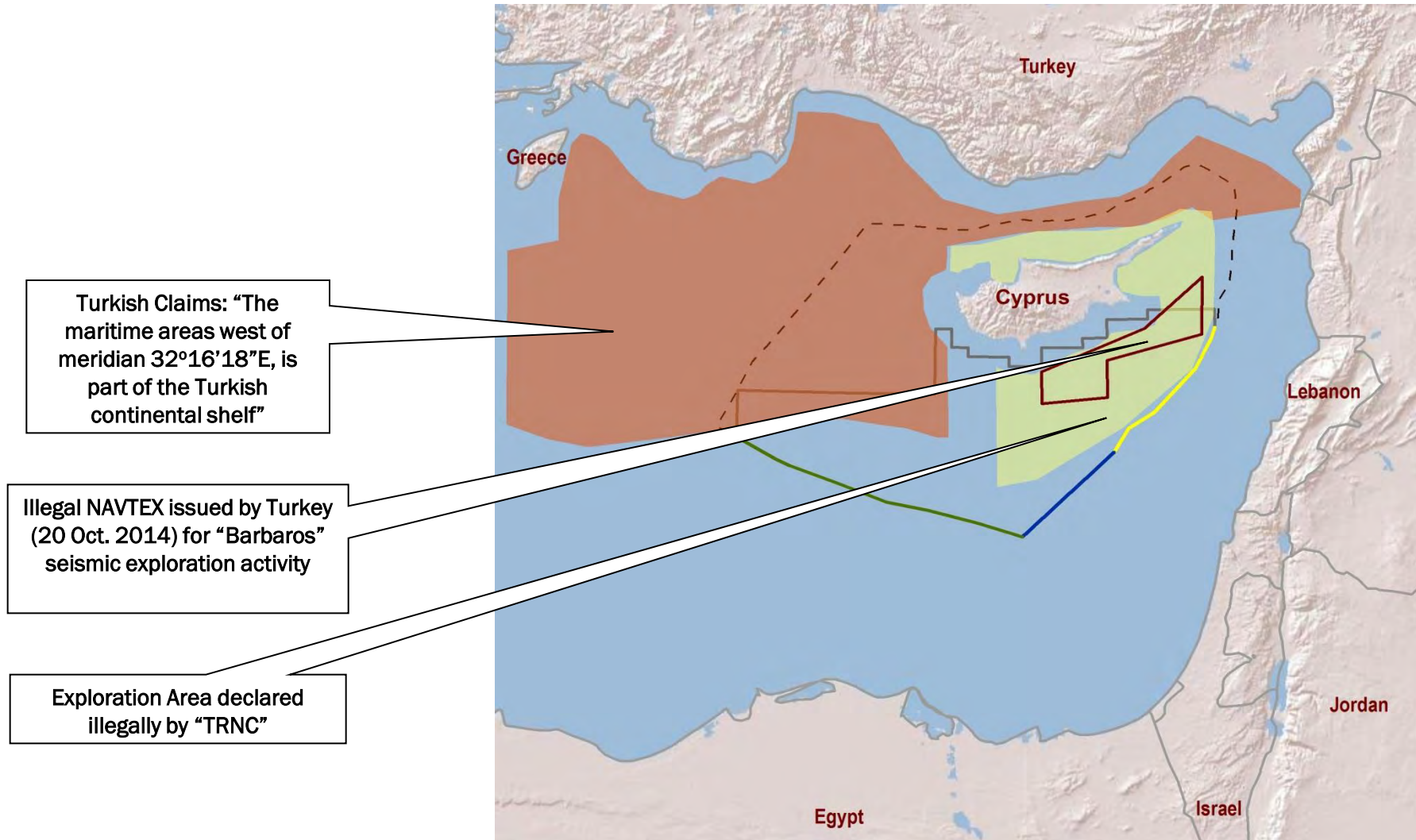
EEZ AGREEMENTS

The Republic of Cyprus has signed Agreements on the delimitation of its EEZ, on the basis of the median-line principle, with:

- 2003 – The Arab Republic of Egypt (in force)
- 2007 – The Republic of Lebanon (ratification pending)
- 2010 – The State of Israel (in force)



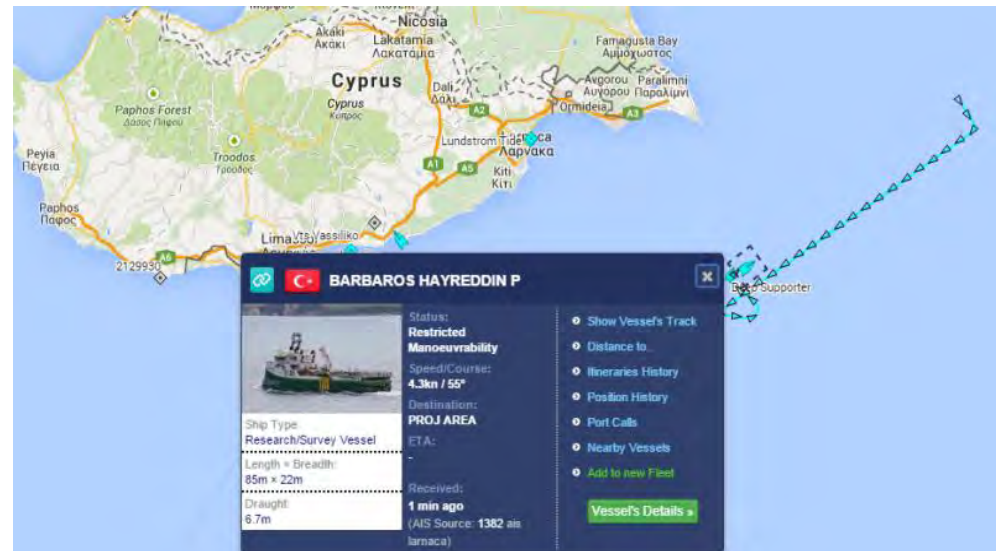
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Turkish Interventions:

- 2008 – Fighter plane & Warship during PGS seismic survey
- 2013 – Warship during Total’s exploration activities
- 2014 – Warships during Eni’s exploration activities + Barbaros exploration activity



Source: www.marinetraffic.com

CONCLUSIONS

- Substantial natural gas deposits have been discovered in the broader South East Mediterranean the last years
- Further exploration and production opportunities will follow in offshore areas between Egypt, Israel, Lebanon, Cyprus and Greece
- The Eastern Mediterranean is attracting international interest in hydrocarbon exploration and production investments
- Studies performed by various organizations, indicate that by 2020, EU natural gas demand will outgrow supply, leading to a substantial gap between demand and supply
- Gas from the South Eastern Mediterranean region can substantially contribute to EU's energy security
- EU's support for establishing the "South Gas Corridor" is of paramount importance – It should set as a priority and mediate to ensure that an appropriate framework and solid plan are in place in order to complete the hydrocarbon exploration/exploitation activities as efficiently and as quickly as possible
- Big investments are needed
- Decisions have to be taken immediately – Competition for supply from North America (shale gas) and Oceania (LNG)

THANK YOU!