

OPPORTUNITIES IN THE UPSTREAM SECTOR OF MONTENEGRO

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Discussion Topics

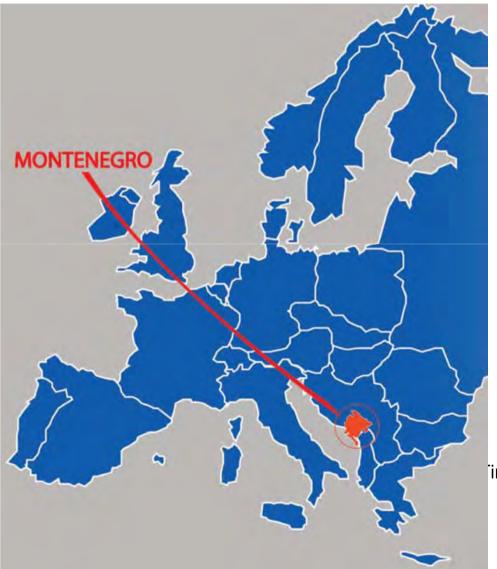
Business Environment

Legal and fiscal regime
Petroleum policy and resource management
Fiscal system

Geological promise
Geological evaluation, risk and uncertainty

Infrastructure – operating environment
Data management





Business Environment

- Surface: 13,812 km2
- Location: On the Adriatic Coast, i n South East Europe
- Population: 620,145 (2003 Census)
- Capital: Podgorica (approx. 170,000 inhabitants)
 - Historical Royal Capital: Cetinje
 - Length of borders:

614 km, Coastline - 294 km, Beaches - 73 km

- Highest mountain peak:
 2,522 m (Durmitor, Bobotov kuk)
- Largest lake: Skadar Lake 391 km²
 Climate:

Mediterranean climate, hot dry summers and autumns and relatively cold winters with heavy snowfalls inland

Currency: Euro

ime zone: CET - Central European Time (GMT+1)

- International telephone code: + 382
 - Internet country code: .ME



Business Environment - continued

Political

- Clear commitment towards EU integration
- Equal treatment of foreigners and nationals

Economic

- Euro as national currency
- Leading country in Europe in FDIs per capita
- Stable macroeconomic policies
- Free flow of goods and capital allowing overseas investors to remit profits, dividends and interest freely
- Open market economy

Fiscal

- Flat tax rate system and low tax rates: corporate profit tax and personal income tax 9%
- VAT at 17%



Legal Regime

- Law on Exploration and Production of Hydrocarbons adopted in 2010 – upstream resource management legislation
- Concession Contract is a model used for award of exploration and production rights: Exploration Concession Contract and Production Concession Contract
- Exploration Concession Contract can be awarded to one or more bidders for up 2 years
- Production Concession Contract awards exclusive rights for up to 30 years: Exploration phase 6 years on-shore and 7 years off-shore (with possible extension of up to 2 years), Production phase 20 years (with possible extension of up to 10 years)





Legal Regime - continued

- Set of enabling legislation is being prepared to complement the Law
- Model Concession Contracts are being prepared to make part of the Bid Documents



Fiscal System - continued

- Fiscal system consisits of:
 - acreage fee
 - royalty fee (fee for produced oil and/or gas)
 - CPT +super tax
- Fee for produced oil and/or gas will be volume based

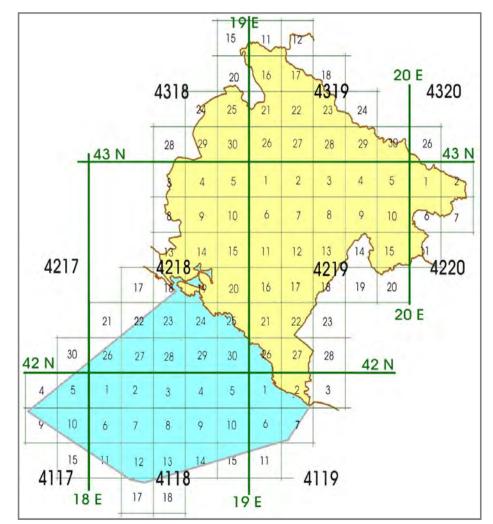


Geological Promise



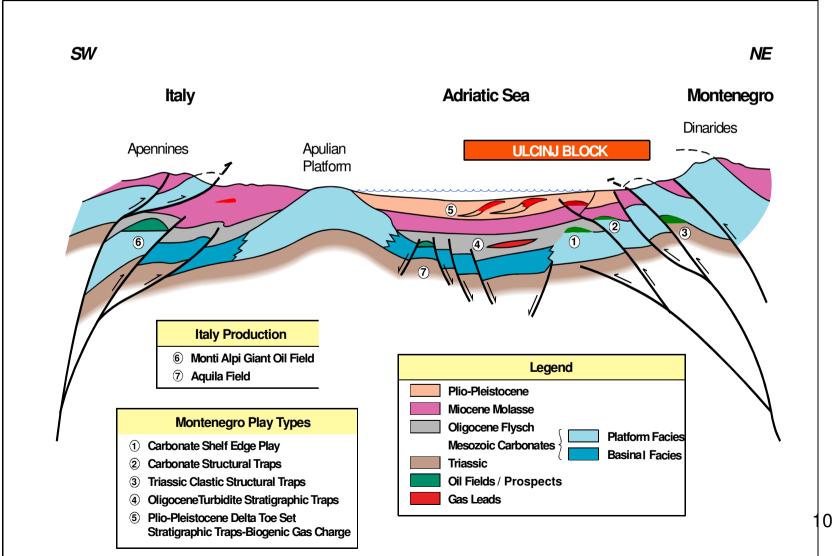


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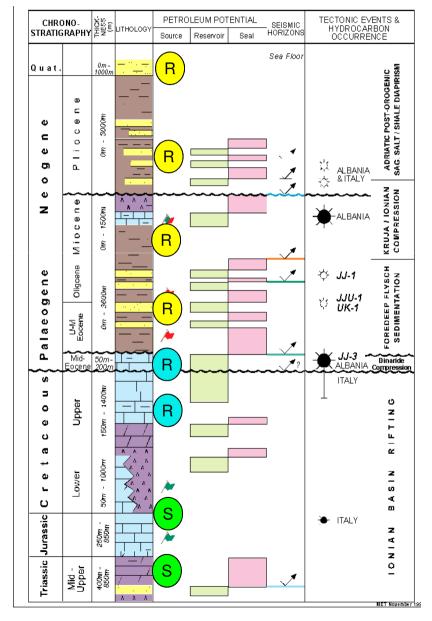
Geological Promise – continued



Petroleum Systems

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Reservoir

Cretaceous - Mid Eocene shelf edge & platform carbonates Oligocene, Lower Pliocene turbidites, Miocene Sands Pleistocene shallow marine sands Middle Triassic sandstones

Source

Triassic shales primary oil source

oil mature at around 5000m depth in Adriatic & Albania Mid Eocene -Upper Cretaceous shales & marls - oil & gas prone Upper Eocene - Miocene shales - mainly gas prone Lower Pliocene shales - biogenic gas source

<u>Traps</u>

hangingwall thrust ramp anticlines (Mesozoic reservoirs) footwall anticline & fault cutoff traps structural/stratigraphic pinchout traps (Tertiary turbidites) Carbonate shelf margin reefal/topographic buildups Plays

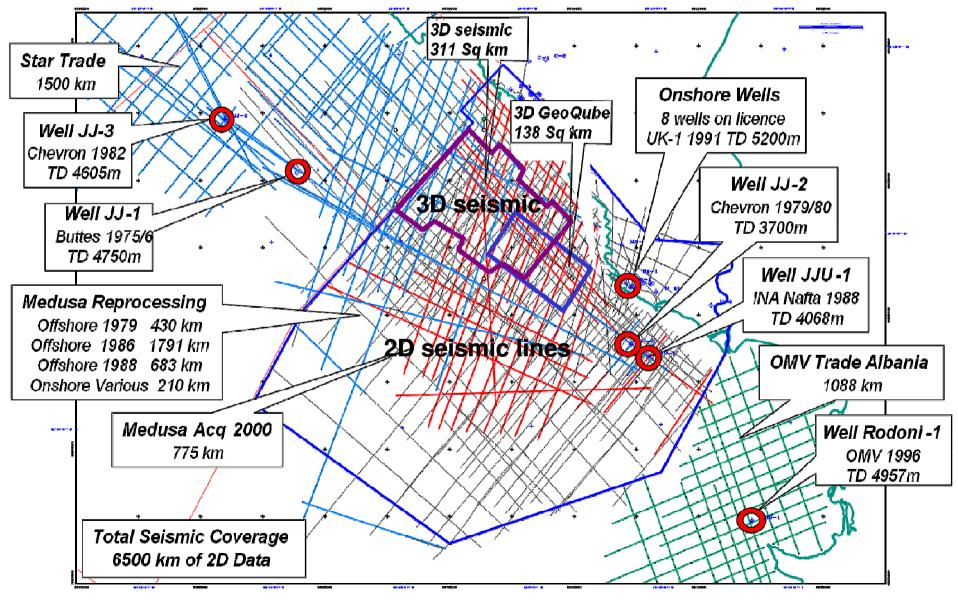
Pleistocene & Pliocene sands charged with biogenic gas Oligocene turbidites charged with thermogenic gas Platform & shelf margin carbonates charged with Triassic oil Triassic sandstones charged with Triassic oil

Data Room covers large amount of exploration data:

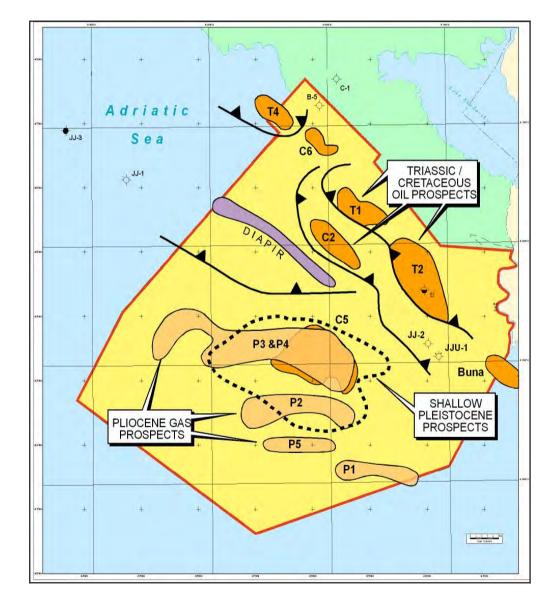
2D seismic exploration lines with total length of 6.500 km
3D seismic data at the surface of 311 km² TENEGRO
3D GeoQube data on the surface of 138 km²



4 deep drilling off-shore holes and 10 on land (up to 5.300 m depth)









Current Activities – Next Steps

Current Activities

- Initial invitation for expression of interest launched and 18 companies expressed interest
- Opened Data Room;
- Drafting of enabling legislation is progressing, as well as Model Concession Contracts
- First bid round expected in 2012



Companies

NOVATEK	Russian Federation
NIS- GAZPROM NEFT	Serbia
HESS CORPORATION	USA
TRAJAN OIL&GAS – ENERGEAN	United Kingdom – Greece
OIL&GAS	
EDISON SpA	Italy
GEOPARTNERS LIMITED	United Kingdom
TDE SERVICES	Hungary
HELLENIC PETROLEUM	Greece
STERLIN ENERGY PLC	United Kingdom
ENI	Italy
NORTHERN PETROLEUM PLC	United Kingdom
TOTAL	France
INA	Croatia
STATOIL ASA	Norway
PREMIEROIL	United Kingdom
SEAENERGY PLC	United Kingdom
EXXONMOBIL INTERNATIONAL	USA
LIMITED	
WHITE FALCON	Switzerland

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