Industry Cooperation with Governments in Oil Spill Preparedness

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The example of OSPRI

The Oil Spill Preparedness Regional Initiative (Caspian Sea – Black Sea – Central Eurasia)

IPIECA: The International Petroleum Industry Environmental Conservation Association

- Founded 1974 Global membership
 - National & multinational petroleum companies/associations
 - Secretariat based in London
- Interactions/cooperation
 - UN and other international organizations
- Tackling global issues:
 - Global Climate Change
 - Biodiversity
 - Social Responsibility
 - Oil Spill Preparedness & Response
 - Fuels and Transportation
 - Health
- www.ipieca.org



Bringing together the oil and gas industry on global, environmental and social issues

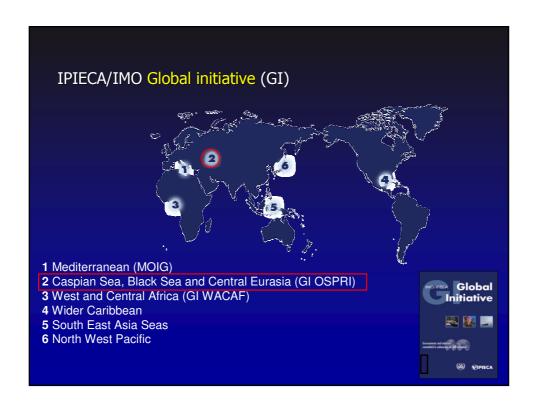
IPIECA Oil Spill Working Group (OSWG)

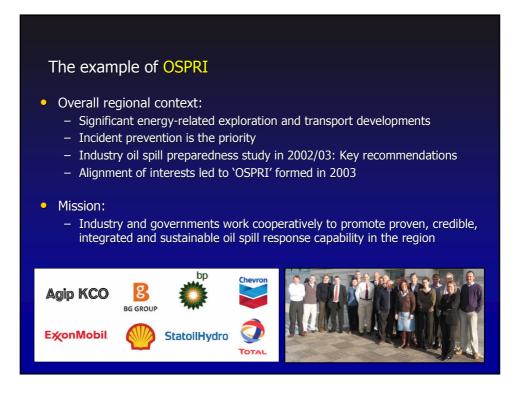
- To enhance the state of preparedness and response to marine oil spill incidents
- OSWG aims:
 - Acting as a high level strategic and technical forum for members to exchange information and best practices
 - Supporting joint industry-government cooperation at all levels
 - Encouraging ratification of relevant international conventions
 - Promoting the principle of 'Net Environmental Benefit Analysis' and the tiered response concept when designing response strategies
 - Developing and communicating industry viewpoint and activities to external audiences.



IPIECA/IMO Oil Spill Preparedness & Response: Global initiative (GI)

- To build and sustain oil spill response capacity at national/regional levels
- GI Aims:
 - Assisting countries in developing a national structure for oil spill response and preparedness through:
 - Organisation of workshops and training sessions related to contingency planning,
 - Sensitivity mapping etc delivered jointly by IMO and industry with support at the national and regional levels.
 - Encouraging the national and regional ratification and implementation of key Conventions:
 - OPRC, CLC and Fund Convention
 - Providing support for regional Agreements on oil spill preparedness, response and co-operation









OSPRI / Caspian Activities

- Assist drafting Oil Pollution Incident Protocol and regional plan
- Support to regional workshops / meetings within CEP framework
 - Baku 2005
 - Astana 2006
- Members engage at national level
 - National contingency planning
 - Joint training / exercising

Partnership is Vital for Effective Oil Spill Preparedness

- Benefits of working together long recognized
- OPRC Convention calls for government-industry cooperation
- Black Sea successes provide a model

