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Mediterranean Oil Industry Group for Oil Response

PROTOCOL OFFSHORE RECOMMENDATIONS



MOIG-ANPE Meetings

ICEST 2014-HOUSTON-USA

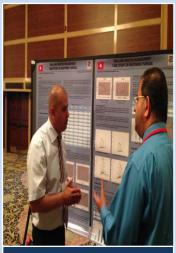


ICEST 2014

Within the framework of the follow-up to the MEDEXPOL 2013 recommendations, two meetings were held in April and May 2014 at MOIG office between MOIG Director and Mr Samir Khedira, Marine Pollution Deputy Manager and Ms Ahlem Marzouki, Expert Controler at National Agency of Environment Protection in order to exchange views and respond to offshore action plan recommendation form requested as presented by REMPEC, in compliance with the Tunisian regulations and Norms (JORT, National Norms and codes etc..) as well as the previous signed agreements. The document has been submitted by ANPE to REMPEC on 06th May 2014. Through this protocol, MOIG and ANPE confirm their significant contribution to sustainable development in Tunisia by taking measures to control, reduce or eliminate discharges and wastes in the Mediterranean Sea. This action represents an important improvement of cooperation between MOIG and Tunisian Government.

During these meeting, both parties have undertaken fruitful discussions on Oil Spill Preparedness and Response in Tunisia paving the way to strengthen the cooperation on information exchange between the two institutions.

Between 09th and 13th June 2014, the 7th International Conference on Environmental Science and Technology (ICEST) was held in Houston, USA to discuss matters relating to environment. Houcine MEJRI, Head of HSE Department at ETAP and MOIG Director presented a poster entitled "Drilling Waste Management/Case Study in Southern Tunisia" at the Waste Management Session. He highlighted that the poster drew the admiration of many participants from USA, India, Egypt, Saudi Arabia, China, Malaysia, France etc. Several discussions were held on exploring challenges and exchanging of experience and expertise in waste management and remediation. He pointed that this event was a very good opportunity to promote MOIG and emphasize the technical expertise of MOIG on oil spill preparedness and response in the Mediterranean region.



Discussions with USA ART Representative

MOIG OBJECTIVES

- To promote regional cooperation within the industry and between governments and industry by creating a regional network of industry oil spill response coordinators in all Mediterranean countries.
- To enhance preparedness and response to oil spill incidents in the Mediterranean region by acting as a regional forum for information exchange an discussion on oil spill matters and by making best use of industry resources of equipment and expertise for education and training.

OIL SPILL RESPONSE EXERCISE-CERCINA FIELD-KERKENNAH ISLAND-02-04 JUNE 2014



As part of its 2014 activities, MOIG have organized jointly with TPS and IEMS an Oil Spill Response Exercise at Cercina field-Kerkennah Island in Tunisia, held between 02nd and 04th June 2014.The main objectives of the exercise were to test the notification procedures and demonstrate the ability to coordinate, monitor, contain and recover an oil spill in accordance with the requirements prescribed in the emergency plan. The working scenario was simulated an oil leak from the shipping subsea pipeline in the delta.The exercise was a great success and gathered forty six (46) participants including twenty seven (27) TPS representatives and three (03) guests from OMV, YMS, GMT and sixteen (16) MOIG participants from Tunisia, Libya, Egypt and Turkey representing ETAP, NOC, TPS, IEMS, SEREPT, STORM, SNDP, MARETAP, TPAO, ENI Lybia, AGOCO and RASCO. We rejoiced particularly at the presence of Mr Mahmoud Camour, MOIG Chairman and Mr Malek Kallel, Member of Management Committee. We thank Mr Mahmoud Camour for coming especially from Libya to take part in the exercise opening and give us of his experience in oil spill preparedness and response.

The MOIG Management Committee Members would like to thank TPS for their warming welcome and high cooperation during the pre-exercise and exercise, IEMS for their hospitality by providing technical and operational support to TPS through the MOIG and all the efforts done by IEMS team in Egypt and Cercina Field. We were also delighted to see the active participation of MOIG Members sign of their strong commitment and interest to MOIG activities. The Steering Committee Members and Evaluators have reported the high motivation of TPS response team during all phases of the exercise, which gave as all the opportunity to provide several recommendations. This exercise offered a good opportunity for all participants and particularly TPS response team to share good practices and lessons learned on oil spill preparedness and response with the aim to make it better for the next one. Due to the success of the TPS Exercise there is an opportunity to organize a future more focused Tier II Oil Spill Response Exercise.

MOIG MEMBERSHIP FEES IN 2014

To-date we have seventeen official (Fully paid up) members of the MOIG: We are looking forward to receiving outstanding contributions from the remaining MOIG members. Please contact the MOIG secretariat should you need any additional letter and invoice to be sent to you.



NEW MEMBERS

The MOIG Management Committee Members is very delighted to welcome the new members eni Tunisia b.v and TRAPSA.



- eni Tunisia b.v is ETAP partner in five (5) both offshore and onshore concessions (Baraka, Maamoura, Adam, Djebel Grouz and OuedZar) and specialized in Exploration and Production.
- TRAPSA is a Tunisian company specialized in shipping and transportation of crude oil by pipeline in the Sahara and responsible for operating and managing the Skhira port (Biggest industrial port in Tunisia).

CONFERENCE CALLS

06 May 2014, a conference call was held between the MOIG Director and Exercise Director in order to discuss the broad lines and the logistical part of the Oil Spill Response exercise planned to be held in Cercina field-Kerkennah Island-Tunisia.

From 12 to 26 May 2014, the Steering Committee composed of 04 members from IEMS, TPS, COOPER ENERGY and MOIG held three conference calls in order to discuss the exercise working document, the scenario, the response determination, the resources, the roles and responsibilities and other issues.

FORTHCOMING MOIG WORKSHOP

The MOIG Management Committee has decided to hold the forthcoming MOIG Workshop "**Oil Preparedness and Response Partners**" **at Nicosia-Cyprus over 13-14 October 2014 instead of 16-17 October.** The main objectives of the workshop are to improve communication within and throughout industry groups, establish clear recommendations and guidelines on resource placement/availability, benefiting from Manufacturers and Responders technical advances in response systems and clarify expectations reducing duplication.

We look forward to your active participation!

ENHANCING MEMBER INTEGRATION WITHIN THE MOIG FRAMEWORK



Houcine MEJRI and Captain Richard BYRNES CEO of IEMS in MOIG office

From 22th to 27th June 2014, Captain Richard Byrnes, the Chief Executive Officer of the International Environmental Marine Service (IEMS, an associate member) was the MOIG guest. Several meetings were held in Sfax and Tunis between the CEO of IEMS, MOIG Director and key persons of various oil and gas industry (Chairmen, Vice chairmen, Vice President, Operation and HSSE Managers) of ETAP, SNDP, TANKMED, COOPER, TRAPSA, CTKCP, BGT, NUMHYD, SEREPT, MARETAP, ENI Tunisia, TPS, STORM, PETROFAC and ANPE. The main objective of these meetings was to promote the forthcoming MOIG Workshop scheduled to be held in Nicosia-Cyprus over 13-14 October 2014 as well as to enhance member integration within the framework of MOIG.

We are very pleased to outcome of these meetings, the MOIG members commonly highlighted a number of recommendations to further develop MOIG activities: elaborate a specific training program for 2015, create a dynamic data base containing list of equipments, perform companies drills and coordination,

provide to members legislation, collective agreements and protocols, enhance communication system between MOIG members, provide specific technical assistance, review of, revision and recommendations for existing equipments as well as commissioning of the new equipments. It should be noted that other visits will be planned to MOIG members outside Tunisia through the Mediterranean region after the workshop.

The MOIG Management Committee Members would like to thank Captain Richard Byrnes for supporting MOIG Director and sharing with us his experience in Oil Spill Preparedness and Response during these meetings.