

## PRESS RELEASE

### 20th World Petroleum Congress shines at Offshore Middle East

**Doha, 13<sup>th</sup> October, 2010** – The 20th World Petroleum Congress (WPC), to be hosted by Qatar Petroleum and held in Doha 4-8 December 2011, was welcomed at this week's Offshore Middle East Exhibition & Conference in Doha, Qatar.

20<sup>th</sup> WPC promotion team was co-located with Qatar Petroleum, and was in a unique position to highlight the 5-day WPC congress, the largest of its kind in the world and set to attract over 4000 delegates, 600 media and over 550 presenters. Since its establishment in 1933, this is the first time that the World Petroleum Congress will be held in the Middle East.

Offshore Middle East 2010 is a major regional conference and exhibition for the offshore oil and gas industries, delivering a high quality conference programme that provides an excellent venue for face-to-face business in the Middle East.

“Our participation at Offshore Middle East 2010 was a success as we met with key industry representatives to showcase the runaway success that is the 20<sup>th</sup> World Petroleum Congress. WPC will be the key industry event in 2011 and this is demonstrated by the enviable list of global oil and gas companies that have already booked their presence,” said a 20<sup>th</sup> WPC spokesman. The Call for Papers for 20<sup>th</sup> WPC which is open until January 2011 was also promoted at the event to the audience of oil and gas specialists.

The 20th WPC will be held at the Qatar National Convention Centre (QNCC). Opening in 2011, QNCC will boast an iconic design and cutting edge facilities in a green technology venue. It is the first facility of its kind being built to the gold certification of the U.S. Green Building Council's Leadership in Energy and Environment Design (LEED).

For more information about the 20<sup>th</sup> World Petroleum Congress and exclusive exhibitor and sponsorship opportunities, visit the [www.20wpc.com](http://www.20wpc.com) website.

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## **NOTES FOR EDITORS**

### **About the 20<sup>th</sup> World Petroleum Congress**

**Theme:** Energy Solutions for All Promoting Cooperation, Innovation and Investment

**Date:** 4-8 December 2011

**Venue:** Qatar National Convention Centre

**Further information:** [www.http://www.20wpc.com](http://www.20wpc.com)

The World Petroleum Congress consists of a 5-day congress, the largest of its kind in the world with over 4000 delegates, 600 media and over 550 presenters. Held alongside the congress and in the same venue is the exhibition of the World Petroleum Congress. It features exhibits from the national committees of the World Petroleum Council where the most prestigious national oil and gas companies and agencies of the world are present. It also features all the most important international oil and gas companies in the world alongside the key suppliers, service companies and manufacturers. This is the only existing global exhibition dedicated to the oil, gas and energy industry.

### **About World Petroleum Council [www.world-petroleum.org](http://www.world-petroleum.org)**

The World Petroleum Council is the only international organization representing all aspects of the petroleum sector. The World Petroleum Council was established in 1933 with the intent to promote the management of the world's petroleum resources for the benefit of mankind. The World Petroleum Council's prime function is to catalyse and facilitate dialogue among stakeholders, both internal and external to the petroleum industry on key technical, social, environmental and management issues in order to contribute towards seeking solutions to those issues. Headquartered in London, the World Petroleum Council includes 60 member countries from around the world representing over 95% of global oil and gas production and consumption. World Petroleum Council membership is unique as it includes both OPEC and Non-OPEC countries with representation of National Oil Companies (NOC's) as well as Independent Oil Companies (IOC's). Each country has a national committee made up from representatives of the oil and gas industry, academia and research institutions and government departments. Governing body is the Council consisting of representation from each of the national committees.

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