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New Dimensions of Energy Security: going from Global to Local

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# **Local content:** a promising strategy

- The "social license to operate" is a key aspect of energy security:
  - Maintain sound relations with local communities
  - Support local businesses and secure producing areas
  - Key for public acceptance of the projects.
- In a long term approach: creation of linkages between the domestic economy and the O&G activities

## But success is not guaranteed

- Renewed efforts these last few years to build stronger ties with the local communities.
  - No "one size fits all"
  - Need for long term perspective, with realistic targets adapted to the local context.
  - A collaborative approach is a key factor for success: regular dialogue between the O&G companies and the governments.
  - Need to create an **enabling environment**.

## Should not be considered as stand-alone policies

- The success and challenges are now widely discussed.
   Need for increased sharing of experiences...
- Part of a global approach of O&G resource management and of a strategy for transparency and good governance.
- Other challenges for several producing countries:
  - Rising patterns of energy consumption, putting pressure on their O&G revenues.
- Need to keep a long term view despite the decline of the oil prices.

## IFRI / CIEP project for IGU

- The New Dimensions of Geopolitics, Report by Ifri/CIEP
- Theme papers:
  - Is natural gas green enough for the environmental and energy policies? by Ifri/CIEP
  - Local content strategies in the Oil and Gas sector: How to maximize benefits for the hosting communities? by Ifri
  - International law and the use of maritime hydrocarbon resources.
     by CIEP

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