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## SP 12 THE ROLE AND IMPACT OF INNOVATION IN THE GAS INDUSTRY

Development and Innovation in Brazilian Oil & Gas Sector

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# IBP - Brazilian Oil, Gas and Biofules Institute



- Founded in 1957
- 244 corporate members
- 1500 volunteers
- Rio Oil & Gas, OTC Brasil



# Main challenges for natural gas industry in the World

## How to minimise the carbon intensity of the entire gas supply chain?

## UPSTREAM

Exploration & Production



- Avoid flaring
- Eliminate methane fugitive emissions
- CO2 separation and permanent sequestration
- Unconventional sources (methane hydrates, shale, CSG)

# MIDSTREAM

Transportation & Processing



- Eliminate methane fugitive emissions
- Development of energy efficiency technologies and integrated systems

## **DOWNSTREAM**

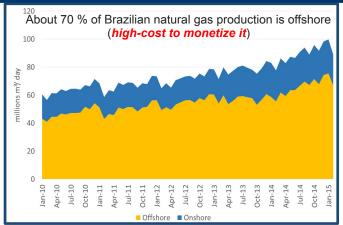
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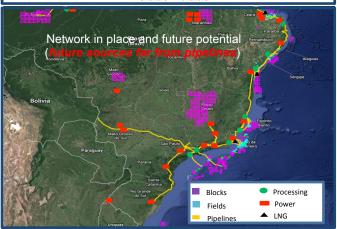


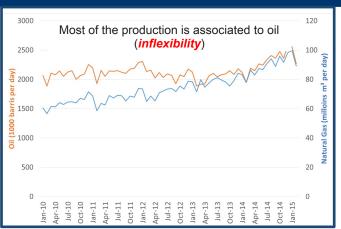
- Disruptive technology for use of gas (fuel cell, gas-fuelled transport)
- Eliminate methane fugitive emissions
- Energy efficiency technologies
- Enhancement of waste heat recovery
- CO2 separation and storage
- Low-carbon Power
- Linking natural gas and renewables

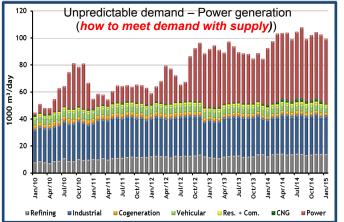


# Natural gas in Brazil









# Main challenges for natural gas industry in Brazil

## How to meet the supply-demand balance?

#### **UPSTREAM**

Exploration & Production



- Monetization for associated gas production
- CO2 and H2S high-content on natural gas stream from pre-salt
- Monetization for isolated on-shore production (including Amazon source)
- Potential for unconventional gas in Brazil

## **MIDSTREAM**

Transportation & Processing



- Unbundling of gas transportation network, processing plants and LNG terminals
- Gas transportation network expansion
- Gas Storage
- Multi-modal gas supply operation (small scale LNG/CNG + pipeline)

## **DOWNSTREAM**

Distribution & Retail
Sale



- Natural gas network and power grid synergetic analyses
- Alignment between federal and regional regulation
- Necessity of regulatory agencies per state mainly in North, Northeast and West of the country

# Main challenges for natural gas industry in Brazil

## How to meet the supply-demand balance?

- Brazil gas production is driven by oil production
- High volatility in gas-to-power demand causes high idle capacity.
- Integrated planning between gas and power sectors is key to gas business sustainability and to attract investments.

# Main challenges for natural gas industry in Brazil

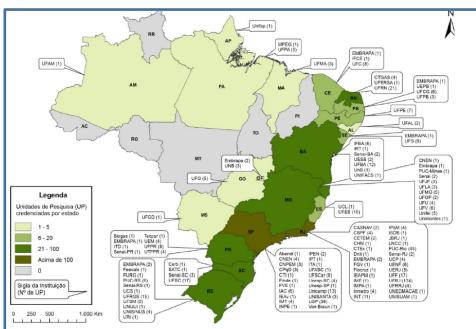
## How Brazil is tackling these challenges?

- Brazilian Gas Act (2009)
  - Regulation still in the early stages
- R&D Clause on E&P Concessions Contracts (1% of gross revenue going to R&D)

# Research and Development accreditation

Source: ScoreBoard R&D 2014

- 585 research units accredited by ANP
- More than US\$ 1.5 billion invested in R&D (2006 to date)



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# Some R&D projects for natural gas challenges

#### **Gas Innovation Centre - GIC**

Research and development in potential future uses of gas.
Three integrated research programmes: Engineering; Physical Chemistry and Energy Policy & Economics.

BG Brasil and Fapesp.

#### **Biogas optimization**

Optimization of biogas generation using computational fluid dynamics tool (CFD).

Petrobras, UCS.

## Infrastructure

CO2 and H2S corrosion in metallic materials. *Repsol, UFRJ.* 

## **Energy Efficiency Programme**

Sustainable Configuration for maritime operation; Unconventional cycles for waste heat recovery. *BG, Unicamp, USP and Unifei* 

#### **CO2 Separation**

Assessment of Ionic Liquids miscible in water for CO2 capture from gas streams.

Petrobras, PUC-RS

#### **Fellowship Fostering NG Capabilities**

Capacitation in science and technology research on future uses of natural gas in emerging low-carbon energy systems.

BG Brasil, USP and Imperial College London.

## **Natural gas + CO2 combustion**

Development of tools for predicting the thermal radiation emission of diffusion flames in a natural gas and CO2 blend. *Petrobras, UFRGS*.

Source: ANP - R&D Bulletin

# Summary

Brazil is still an immature gas market.

 The main challenge in Brazil is how to meet supplydemand balance (inflexible production, unpredictable demand and immature infrastructure)

- How Brazil faces these challenges?
  - Regulatory: integrated gas and power planning
  - Technological: R&D obligations are fostering innovation



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