

Triennial Work Programme 2012-2015

**Study Group 1.2:
Natural Gas Available
Everywhere? An assessment of
global resources and reserves**
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SG 1.1 Update from Sapporo Meeting
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Terms of Reference

- In the middle of the so called unconventional gas revolution, one of the most important challenges to be faced by this study group is the development of reliable estimates for both conventional and unconventional gas reserves and resources.
- In this process, the group is expected to identify the most important projects under development, and their potential impact on the future availability of natural gas from both regional and global standpoints.
- Exploratory hotspots and new frontiers for natural gas will be highlighted, and the most important trends, uncertainties, opportunities and threats to be faced by the upstream segment of the gas industry will be listed and dealt with.
- The group will also examine the initiatives for associated gas flaring reduction as a means of sustainably enhancing gas supply.

Focus Groups and Deliverables

- Conventional Gas: Remaining reserve and resource assessment;
- Unconventional gases (tight, shale gas, CBM, hydrates): reserve and resource assessment;
- Assessment of gas flaring: initiatives for reduction and enhancing supply;
 - Exploration and discovery trends, and new frontier and exploration areas.

- 2nd Meeting – February 2013
 - Structure for the report
 - First estimate of global gas flaring
 - Inventory of new plays, discoveries and frontier areas

- 3rd Meeting – September 2013
 - First paper for IGU magazine
 - First estimate of conventional and unconventional gas reserves and resources

- 4th Meeting – February 2014
 - Assessment of gas reserves and resources of new plays, discoveries and frontier areas;
 - Update of global gas flaring and initiatives for reduction

- 5th Meeting – August 2014
 - Final draft, with update of all estimates
 - Second paper for IGU magazine

- 6th Meeting – February 2015
 - Final report

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