Panel Discussion On Regulatory Frameworks And Post Macondo Impacts

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Challenges of the EU regulatory framework for offshore major accident prevention

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Deepwater Horizon 2010 -Problem definition for EU countries

1. <u>Likelihood</u> of an EU <u>major</u> incident is significant (and can be reduced)

Precursor reports UK & Norway; frequency analysis of incidents

2. Full-scale <u>consequences</u> of an EU <u>major</u> incident not acceptable

Gaps in EU legislation; maritime response model

3. Provisions for financial liability for/recovery from an EU <u>major</u> incident are incomplete

Scale of costs and damages seen in $\ensuremath{\mathsf{GoM}}$





Key Points of Legislative Proposal

- General measures to prevent major accidents
- Risk-based planning and operations
- Best practices by operators and regulators
- Transparency/sharing information
- Co-ordination and cooperation amongst regulators, and with non-EU countries
- Emergency preparedness and response
- Technical annexes for detailed provisions

