

OFFSHORE IMPLEMENTATION ASSESSMENT

Introduction:

According to the Decision IG.20/12 of the 17th Ordinary Meeting of the Contracting Parties to the Convention for the Protection of the Marine Environment and the Coastal Region of the Mediterranean and its Protocols, Paris (France), 8-10 February 2012, related to the Action Plan to implement the Protocol of the Barcelona Convention concerning the Protection of the Mediterranean Sea Against Pollution Resulting from Exploration and Exploitation of the Continental Shelf and the Seabed and its Subsoil, hereinafter referred to as "Offshore Protocol"¹ The Coordinating Unit is requested *"to establish an ad hoc working group coordinated by REMPEC composed of representatives of the Contracting Parties and observers from representatives of the concerned industries, relevant international organizations and MAP partners with a view to lead the work for preparing an in depth assessment and stock taking analysis of the existing practical measures in place in the Mediterranean countries with regard to Offshore activities as a baseline to measure progress towards Protocol implementation in the future.*

The aim of this questionnaire is to map the existing legislative and administrative framework in the region. The questionnaire covers, in a thematic approach, all issues raised in the different chapters and annexes of the Protocol.

Taking into account the diversity of the subjects dealt within the question, the Offshore Protocol national representative is expected to organize at national level the necessary consultations with the authorities having competences as regards the various aspects of offshore activities.

Whilst completing the questionnaire, competent authorities are kindly requested to identify national regulations already in place according to obligations raised under other international legal instruments, in view of establishing possible links between this instrument and the Protocol and avoid duplications.

Bearing in mind that the protocol was adopted in 1994, if, when filling this questionnaire, you identify topics relevant to offshore exploration and exploitation which you think are not addressed in the Protocol, please insert comments in part VI of the questionnaire.

Country	
Offshore Focal Point name	
Authority	

¹ The Offshore Protocol to the Barcelona Convention adopted on 14 October 1994 (Madrid, Spain) entered into force on 24 March 2011. The Offshore Protocol has so far been ratified by Albania, Cyprus, Libya, Morocco, Syria and Tunisia. On 17 December 2012, the Council of the European Union also adopted the Protocol.

I. AUTHORIZATION SYSTEM

	Yes	No	Please specify the legislative/regulatory reference (if need be) and shortly describe the minimum requirements	
Are minimum requirements defined for granting authorization in your country?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Do you require environment impact assessment ?				
Are the requirements different whether the authorization relates to the exploration operation or to the production operations?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Does the required environment impact assessment contain at least the following?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Exploitation	Production
• Definition of the geographical area where the activity is envisaged including safety zone?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
• Description of the initial state of the environment of the area	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
• Indication of the nature, aims, scope and duration of the proposed activity?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
• Description of the methods, installation and other means to be used, possible alternatives to such methods and means?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
• Description of the foreseeable direct or indirect short and long-term effects of the proposed activities on the environment, including fauna, flora and the ecological balance?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
• Statement setting out the measures proposed for reducing to the minimum the risk damage to the environment as a result of carrying out the proposed activities, including possible alternative measures?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
• Indication of the measures to be taken for the protection of the environment from pollution and other adverse effects during and after the proposed activities?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
• A reference to the methodology used for the environmental impact assessment?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
• Indication of whether the environment of any other State is likely to be affected by the proposed activities?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Do you require composition of the crew and their qualifications ?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		

Do you require safety measures	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Do you require operator's contingency plan	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Do you require monitoring procedure	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Do you require insurance or other financial security to cover liability and compensation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Do you require precautions for specially protected areas	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
In addition to measures referred to the Protocol concerning Mediterranean Specially Protected Areas for the granting of authorization are measures in place for:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Preparation and evaluation of environmental impact assessment	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Elaboration of special provision concerning monitoring, removal of installations and prohibition of any discharge	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Intensified exchange of information	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Have you identified the authority responsible for granting, renewal and registration of authorization ? If yes, please provide its contact details below, if not please indicate in the most suitable authority in your country for this matters.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Name of the authority:			
Tel:			
Fax:			
Email			
Do you distinguish permit authorization related to the exploitation of the continental shelf as a national heritage (exploration) from licence authorization related to production operations?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
If the answer to the previous question, please provide the contact details of the corresponding authorities if the responsibility are share by different authorities.			
Name of the authority for permit authorization :			
Tel:			
Fax:			
Email			
Name of the authority for licence authorization :			
Tel:			
Fax:			
Email			
Does your regulations differentiate responsibilities based on jurisdiction	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

criteria (e.g. 12 Nm limit)			
If the answer to the previous question is yes, please provide details on the related regulation(s) and specify the name of the competent authorities and their responsibilities.			
Do you require removal plan ?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Do the competent authorities requires to remove abandoned and disused (even when authorization withdrawn or suspended) installations?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Have the competent authorities define the standards for the removal of abandoned and disused installations?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Have you identified the authority in charge of supervising the removal operations of offshore installations? If yes, please provide its contact details below, if not please indicate in the most suitable authority in your country for this matters.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Name of the authority:			
Tel:			
Fax:			
Email:			
Do you have measures in place to impose sanctions for breach of obligations arising out of the Protocol, or for non-observance of the national laws or regulations implementing the Protocol, of for non-fulfilment of the specific conditions attached to the authorizations?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

II. DISPOSAL AND DISCHARGES

A. WASTE AND HAZARDOUS AND NOXIOUS SUBSTANCES & MATERIAL (HNS&M)

	Yes	No	Please specify the legislative/regulatory reference (if need be) and shortly describe the minimum requirements
Do you have any measure in place to approve the use of chemicals as defined in the Chemical Use Plan?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Do you require operators to communicate its Chemical Use Plan ?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Have you define the limitation and prohibition for the use of chemicals ?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
For each HNS&M used do you require the manufacturer compound description?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Is the disposal of the following HNS&M resulting from offshore activities prohibited ?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Mercury and mercury compounds?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Cadmium and cadmium compounds?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Organotin compounds and substances which may form such compounds in the marine environment?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Organophosphorus compounds and substances which may form such compounds in the marine environment?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Organohalogen compounds and substances which may form such compounds in the marine environment?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Crude oil, fuel oil, oily sludge, used lubricating oils and refined products?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Persistent synthetic materials which may float, sink or remain in suspension and which may interfere with any legitimate use of the sea?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Substances having proven carcinogenic, teratogenic or mutagenic properties in or through the marine environment?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Radioactive substances, including their wastes, if their discharges do not comply with the principles of radiation protection as defined by the competent international organizations, taking into account the protection of the marine environment?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Are other products disposal prohibited?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Please specify which ones:
Does the disposal of the following HNS&M resulting from offshore	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

activities require a special permit in your country?			
• Arsenic	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Lead	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Copper	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Zinc	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Beryllium	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Nickel	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Vanadium	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Chromium	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Biocides and their derivatives not covered in the above list of prohibited products	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Please specify which ones
• Selenium	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Antimony	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Molybdenum	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Titanium	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Tin	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Barium (other than barium sulphate)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Boron	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Uranium	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Cobalt	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Thallium	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Tellurium	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Silver	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Cyanides	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Does other products disposal require a special permit?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Does HNS&M resulting from offshore activities which may cause pollution requires a prior general permit from the competent authority?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Does your procedure for issuing special permit for the disposal of HNS&M take into account the following factors:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
A. Characteristics and composition of the waste:			
• Type and size of waste sources (e.g. industrial process)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Type of waste (origin, average composition)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Form of waste (solid, liquid, sludge, slurry, gaseous)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

• Total amount (Volume discharged, e.g. per year)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Discharge pattern (continuous, intermittent, seasonally variable, etc.)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Concentrations with respect to major constituents, substances listed above) and other substances as appropriate	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Physical, chemical and biochemical properties of the waste	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
B. Characteristics of waste constituents with respect to their harmfulness			
• Persistence (physical, chemical, biological) in the marine environment	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Toxicity and other harmful effects	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Accumulation in biological materials or sediments	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Biochemical transformation producing harmful compounds	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Adverse effects on the oxygen content and balance	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Susceptibility to physical, chemical and biochemical changes and interaction in the aquatic environment with other sea-water constituents which may produce harmful biological or other effects on any uses listed in the factor E below:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
C. Characteristics of discharges site and receiving marine environment			
• Hydrographic, meteorological, geological and topographical characteristics of the area	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Location and type of the discharge (outfall, canal, outlet, etc.) and its relation to other areas (such as amenity areas, spawning, nursery and fishing areas, shellfish grounds) and other discharges	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Initial dilution achieved at the point of discharge into the receiving marine environment	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Dispersion characteristics such as effects of currents, tides and wind on horizontal transport and vertical mixing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Receiving water characteristics with respect to physical, chemical, biological and ecological conditions in the discharge area	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Capacity of the receiving marine environment to receive waste discharges without undesirable effects	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
D. Availability of waste technologies: Does the methods of waste reduction and discharge for industrial effluents as well as domestic sewage are selected taking into account the availability and feasibility of:			
• Alternative treatment processes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Reuse or elimination methods	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• On-land disposal alternatives	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Appropriate low-waste technologies	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

E. Potential impairment of marine ecosystem and sea-water uses		
• Effects on human life through pollution impact on:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(a) Edible marine organisms	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(b) Bathing waters	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(c) Aesthetics	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Effects on marine ecosystems, in particular living resources, endangered species and critical habitats	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Effects on other legitimate uses of the sea in conformity with international law	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Specify other factors considered in your procedure if different from the above.		<input type="checkbox"/>
Have you identified the authority in charge of issuing and registering the special and general permits the use of HNS&M ? If yes, please provide its contact details below, if not please indicate in the most suitable authority in your country for this matters.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Name of the authority:		
Tel:		
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B. OIL AND OILY MIXTURES AND DRILLING FLUID AND CUTTINGS

	Yes	No	Please specify the legislative/regulatory reference (if need be) and shortly describe the minimum requirements
Have standards for disposal of oil and oily mixtures from installations been defined?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Do these standards prescribe the following provisions ?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Spills of high oil content in processing drainage and platform drainage shall be contained, diverted and then treated as part of the product, but the remainder shall be treated to an acceptable level before discharge, in accordance with good oilfield practice	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Oily waste and sludges from separation processes shall be transported to shore	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• All the necessary precautions shall be taken to minimize losses of oil into the sea from oil collected or flared from well testing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• All the necessary precautions shall be taken to ensure that any gas resulting from oil activities should be flared or used in an appropriate manner.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Do your standards meet the following threshold?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• machinery space drainage (max oil content 15m/l whilst undiluted)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• production water (max. 40mg/l as average in monthly calendar & always less than 100mg/l)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Have you define a method to analyse oil content	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Have standards for the use of disposal of oil and oily mixtures from installations been defined?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Is the use and disposal of water-based drilling fluids and cuttings subject to the Chemical Use Plan	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Is the disposal of the water-based drilling fluids and cuttings either made on land or into the sea in an appropriate site or area specified by the competent authority?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Do you grant permit for the use of oil-based drilling fluids restricted to fluids with low toxicity	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Have you define the threshold of such toxicity level?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Do you prohibit the disposal of oil-based drilling fluids into the sea?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Do the disposal of drill cuttings subject to a permit delivered with the conditions that efficient solids control equipment is installed and properly operated, that the discharge point is well below the surface of the water and that the oil content is less than 100 grams of oil per kilogram dry cuttings?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Is the disposal of drill cuttings prohibited in specially protected areas?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• In case of production and development drilling, do you undertake a programme of seabed sampling and analysis relating to the zone of contamination	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Do you prohibit the use of diesel-based drilling fluids?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Have you identified the authority in charge of issuing and registering the permits for the use of oil and oily mixture and drilling fluids and cuttings? If yes, please provide its contact details below, if not please indicate in the most suitable authority in your country for this matters	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Name of the authority:			
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C. SEWAGE

	Yes	No	Please specify the legislative/regulatory reference (if need be) and shortly describe the minimum requirements
Do you prohibit discharge of sewage from installations permanently manned by 10 or more persons ?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Have you define exceptions for	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Discharging treated sewage at least 4 nautical miles from land of fixed fisheries installation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Discharging non-treated sewage	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Discharging sewage treated through certified sewage treatment plant	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Do you prohibit discharge of sewage from installation which is visible, contains floating solids or produces colouration, discolouration or opacity of water ?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Is the exception above not applicable for discharge of sewage from installation which is visible, contains floating solids or produces colouration, discolouration or opacity of water?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
If the sewage is mixed with waste, HNS&M, do you apply the most stringent requirement ?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Do the provisions are stricter in the proximity of specially protected areas taking into account currents?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Have you identified the authority in charge of the approval of sewage treatment systems and of the certification of sewage treatment plants ? If yes, please provide its contact details below, if not please indicate in the most suitable authority in your country for this matters.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Name of the authority:			
Tel:			
Fax:			
Email:			

D. GARBAGE

	Yes	No	Please specify the legislative/regulatory reference (if need be) and shortly describe the minimum requirements
Do you prohibit the disposal of plastics , including synthetic ropes, synthetic fishing nets and plastic garbage bags?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Do you prohibit the disposal of other non-biodegradable garbage including paper, products, rags, glass, metal, bottles, crockery, dunnage, lining and packing materials?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Is the disposal of food waste regulated according to MARPOL Annex V	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
If garbage mixed do you apply the most stringent requirement ?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

E. RECEPTION FACILITIES, INSTRUCTIONS AND SANCTIONS

	Yes	No	Please specify the legislative/regulatory reference (if need be) and shortly describe the minimum requirements
Do you have onshore reception facilities for disposal of waste and HNS&M?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Do you monitor satisfactory disposal of waste and HNS&M in designated onshore reception facilities?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Do you request that all personnel of the installation are provided with instruction on proper means of disposal ?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Are sanctions in place for illegal disposal ?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
If onshore reception facilities cannot treat or are not existent to dispose of the waste and HNS&M, what are the measures in place?			
Does your regulation foresee transboundary movement of these waste and HNS&M	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
If the answer to the previous question is yes, does this regulation has been made according to other international legal instruments (e.g. Basel Convention, Protocol on the Prevention of Pollution of the Mediterranean Sea by Transboundary Movements of Hazardous Wastes and their Disposal, etc...). Please specify, hereunder:			

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F. EXCEPTIONS

	Yes	No	Please specify the legislative/regulatory reference (if need be) and shortly describe the minimum requirements
Do you apply exceptions to the provision listed in the section II.A, II.B, II.C, II.D, II.E in case of?:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Force majeure and in particular for disposals:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
a) To save human life	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
b) To ensure the safety of installation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
c) In case of damage to the installation or its equipment	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

III. SAFETY MEASURES

	Yes	No	Please specify the legislative/regulatory reference (if need be) and shortly describe the minimum requirements
Do you ensure safety measure taken with regards to design, construction, placement, equipment, marking, operation and maintenance of installations?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Do you ensure that operator has on the installation adequate equipment and devices for protecting human life, preventing and combating accident pollution according to contingency plan?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Do you require a certificate of safety and fitness issued by recognized body?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Have you identified the competent authority in charge of issuing certificate of safety and fitness ? If yes, please provide its contact details below, if not please indicate in the most suitable authority in your country for this matters.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Name of the authority:			
Tel:			
Fax:			
Email:			
Do you require that the installation must be safe and fit the purpose for which is to be used, in particular, that it is designed and constructed so as to withstand, together with its maximum load, any natural condition, including, more specifically, maximum wind and wave conditions as established by historical weather patterns, earthquake possibilities, seabed conditions and stability, and water depth?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Do you require that all phases of the activities , including storage and transport of recovered resources is properly prepared ?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Do you require that the whole activity is open to control for safety reasons and conducted in the safest possible way ?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Do you require that the operator applies a monitoring system for all activities?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Do you require that the most advanced safety systems is used and periodically tested in order to minimize the dangers of leakages,	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

spillages, accidental discharges, fire, explosions, blow-outs or any other threats to human safety or the environment			
Do you require that a trained specialized crew to operate and maintain these most advanced safety systems are present and that this crew undertake periodic exercises .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
In case of authorized not permanently manned installations , do you require that the permanent availability of a specialized crew is secured?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Do you require that the installation and, where necessary, the established safety zone is marked so as to give adequate warning of its presence and sufficient details for its identification?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Do you require that the installations are indicated on charts and notified to those concerned?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Do you require that, in order to secure observance of the above mentioned requirements, the person and/or persons having the responsibility for the installation and/or the activities, including the person responsible for the blow-out preventer, must have the qualifications required by the competent authority (training, on a continuing basis in safety and environmental matters), and that sufficient qualified staff must be permanently available?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Have you identified the competent authority in charge of inspections to ensure that activities safety measures are carried by the operators? If yes, please provide its contact details below, if not please indicate in the most suitable authority in your country for this matters.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Name of the authority:			
Tel:			
Fax:			
Email:			

IV. MONITORING OF ENVIRONMENT RELATED ISSUES

	Yes	No	Please specify the legislative/regulatory reference (if need be) and shortly describe the minimum requirements
Do operators report periodically to the competent authorities monitoring data to assess the effects of activities on the environment?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Have the competent authorities established a national monitoring system to support decision making process for granting authorizations?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Do the national monitoring system takes into account any adverse environment effects of activities within the limits or beyond the country jurisdiction	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Have you identified the competent authority in charge of establishing monitoring procedures ? If yes, please provide its contact details below, if not please indicate in the most suitable authority in your country for this matters.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Name of the authority:			
Tel:			
Fax:			
Email:			

V. PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE

A. CONTINGENCY PLANNING

	Yes	No	Please specify the legislative/regulatory reference (if need be) and shortly describe the minimum requirements
Are authorities in charge of responding to marine pollution resulting from offshore activities aware of the provisos of the Prevention and Emergency Protocol in case of emergency?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Do you require operators to have contingency plan coordinated with the national contingency plan?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Do you oblige operators:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> That the most appropriate alarm system and communication system are available at the installation and they are in good working order? 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> That the alarm is immediately raised on the occurrence of an emergency and that any emergency is immediately communicated to the competent authority? 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Are operators required to notify competent authorities of any event causing or likely to cause pollution or any observed event causing or likely to cause pollution 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Are the contact details of the competent authorities in charge of receiving pollution notification communicated to the operators? 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> That the immediate information about the nature and extent of the emergency is given to the crew on the installation and to the competent authority? 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> That the competent authority is constantly informed about the progress of combatting the emergency? 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> That at all times sufficient and most appropriate materials and equipment, including stand-by boats and aircraft, are available to put into effect the emergency plan? 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> That the most appropriate methods and techniques are known to the specialized crew, in order to combat leakages, spillages, accidental discharges, fire, explosions, blow-outs and 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

any other threat to human life or the environment?			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> That the most appropriate methods and techniques are known to the specialized crew responsible for reducing and preventing long-term adverse effects on the environment? 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> That the crew is thoroughly familiar with the operator's contingency plan, that periodic emergency exercises are held so that the crew has a thorough working knowledge of the equipment and procedures and that each individual knows exactly his role within the plan? 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Do you require operators to cooperate, on an institutional basis , with other operators or entities capable of rendering necessary assistance , so as to ensure that, in cases where the magnitude or nature of an emergency create a risk which assistance is or might be required, such assistance can be rendered?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Are the measures in place to assist the competent authority for emergencies to ensure:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The coordination of the national contingency plan and/or procedures and the operator's contingency plan and control of the conduct of actions, especially in case of significant adverse effect of the emergency? 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Direction to the operator to take any action it may specify in the course of preventing, abating or combatting pollution or in the preparation of further action for that purpose, including placing an order for relief drilling rig, or to prevent the operator from taking any specified action? 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The coordination of actions in the course of preventing, abating or combatting pollution or in the preparation of further action for that purpose within the national jurisdiction with such action undertaken within the jurisdiction of other States or by international organizations? 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Collection and ready available of all necessary information concerning the existing activities? 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The provision of an up-to-date list of the persons and entities to be alerted and informed about an emergency, its development and the measures taken? 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The collection of all necessary information concerning the extent and means of combating contingencies, and the dissemination of this information to interested Parties? 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The coordination and supervision if the assistance referred above, in cooperation with the operator? 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The organization and if necessary, the coordination of specified actions, which might be affected by a contingency to enable them to take appropriate measures where necessary? 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The provision of technical assistance to other Parties, if necessary 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Immediate communication to the competent international organizations with a view to avoiding danger to shipping and other interests? 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Have you establish a coordination approval procedure for the development of contingency plan?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Does the plan take into account the measures in place for the coordination of international assistance in case of emergency	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Is the procedure in accordance with the measures in place for the coordination of international assistance in case pollution from ships ?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Do the procedure includes notification to REMPEC and Parties likely to be affected by a pollution resulting from offshore activities to provide timely information to evaluate the required measures	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Does the plan includes measures to avoid pollution beyond the limits of the country jurisdiction	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Have you taken special measures in conformity with international law, in particular with the Protocol concerning Mediterranean Specially Protected Areas, either individual or through multilateral or bilateral cooperation to prevent, abate, combat and control pollution arising from activities in specially protected areas.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Is the discharge of substances containing oil or HNS&M can be used subject to pre-approval of the competent authority for combating pollution incidents?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Have you identified the competent authority in charge of the pre-approval of discharge of substances containing oil or HNS&M for their use in combating pollution incidents ? If yes, please provide its contact details below, if not please indicate in the most suitable authority in your country for this matters.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Name of the authority:			
Tel:			
Fax:			

Email:			
Have you identified the competent authority in charge of the coordination and direction of offshore contingency plan and national plan ? If yes, please provide its contact details below, if not please indicate in the most suitable authority in your country for this matters.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Name of the authority:			
Tel:			
Fax:			
Email:			

B. COOPERATION

	Yes	No	Please specify the legislative/regulatory reference (if need be) and shortly describe the minimum requirements
Is your government engaged in any cooperation in research and development programme to minimize risk of pollution?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Is your government engaged in any cooperation in research and development programme to prevent and respond to pollution?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Is your government implementing any programme of assistance to developing countries in the field of science, law, education and technology to prevent, combat and control pollution (e.g. trainings and acquisition, utilization and production of appropriate equipment)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

C. LIABILITY AND COMPENSATION

	Yes	No	Please specify the legislative/regulatory reference (if need be) and shortly describe the minimum requirements
Are measures in place to ensure liability is imposed on operators to require the payment of prompt and adequate compensations for damage resulting from offshore activities?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Are measures in place to ensure that operators have and maintain insurance cover or other financial security to compensate damages?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Do you consider granting equal access to and treatment in administrative proceedings to persons in other States affected by pollution or other adverse effect of offshore activities?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

VI. IMPLEMENTATION LIMITATIONS AND OTHER COMMENTS

Kindly specify any particular limitation for the implementation of the Protocol:

Implementation limitations	Yes	No	If, yes please specify
Limited resources in the country	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Limited training person in the country	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Limited Offshore activities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Limited regulations to cover all the Protocols subjects	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Limited structure to cover all the Protocols subjects	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Required update of the Annexes of the Protocol to ensure the implementation in accordance with up to date best practices (e.g. list of Annex II)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
For European Union (EU) Member States, do you foresee any contradiction between the Protocol requirements and other EU regulations?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Other limitations	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Please add any other relevant comments in the following field.