



## TO ENHANCE MANAGEMENT APPROACHES TO MITIGATE IMPACTS ON PROTECTED, CONSERVED AND ECOLOGICALLY SENSITIVE AREAS FROM OIL AND GAS OPERATIONS

### Objectives:

To enhance understanding of the need to mitigate impacts on protected, conserved and ecologically sensitive areas from oil and gas operations, and the management approaches that support a positive relationship between oil and gas development and social and environmental objectives in and around these areas.

### Other Objectives:

- Increase awareness of the need to manage the impacts of oil and gas development in areas of biodiversity value (including protected, conserved and ecologically sensitive areas) to ensure their values are maintained or enhanced
- Understand spatial planning approaches to avoid or mitigate impacts from oil and gas development
- Learn about industry best practices on project level impact mitigation, drawing on case study examples and guidance materials from leading organisations
- Establish how to integrate biodiversity management best practice approaches into the country's environmental (and social) impact assessment processes

### Contribution towards the Sustainable Development Goals

- SDG 7 (Target 7.1 ): Ensure access to affordable, reliable, sustainable and modern energy for all
- SDG 9 (Target 9.1 and 9.5 ): Build resilient infrastructure, promote inclusive and sustainable industrialization and foster innovation
- SDG 10 (Target 10.6 & 10.B ): Reduce inequality within and among countries
- SDG 13 (Target 13.3 ): Take urgent action to combat climate change and its impacts
- SDG 14 (Target 14.1 & 14.2 ): Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources for sustainable development
- SDG 15 (Target 15.9 & 15.A ): Promote additional financial resource and incentives for sustainable management of biodiversity and ecosystems;
- SDG 16 (Target 16.A ): Promote peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development, provided access to justice for all and build effective, accountable and inclusive institutions at all levels

### Contribution towards Aichi Biodiversity Targets

- Target 1 : By raising discussions on biodiversity-related topics such as biodiversity concepts & values and adverse impacts of oil and gas operations, the project increases public awareness to place more the value of biodiversity, its conservation and sustainable use;
- Target 2: The project contributes to better knowledge and development of approaches- such as spatial planning approaches, scoping, screening, EIA and best practices in oil and gas industry- to manage and mitigate biodiversity and ecosystem services impacts. This knowledge and developed approaches would lead to biodiversity valuation in countries and become integrated into national and local development and poverty reduction strategies;
- Target 14 : The project contributes to the development of indicators to monitor the status of biodiversity and ecosystem services in local and national strategy plans in order to restore and safeguard ecosystem services for human wellbeing including women and indigenous and local communities;
- Target 15 : The project contributes to the identification of key biodiversity areas, evaluation and prioritization of ecosystem issues, biodiversity integration and mitigation hierarchy to promote opportunity for biodiversity and ecosystems restoration and contribute to climate adaptation

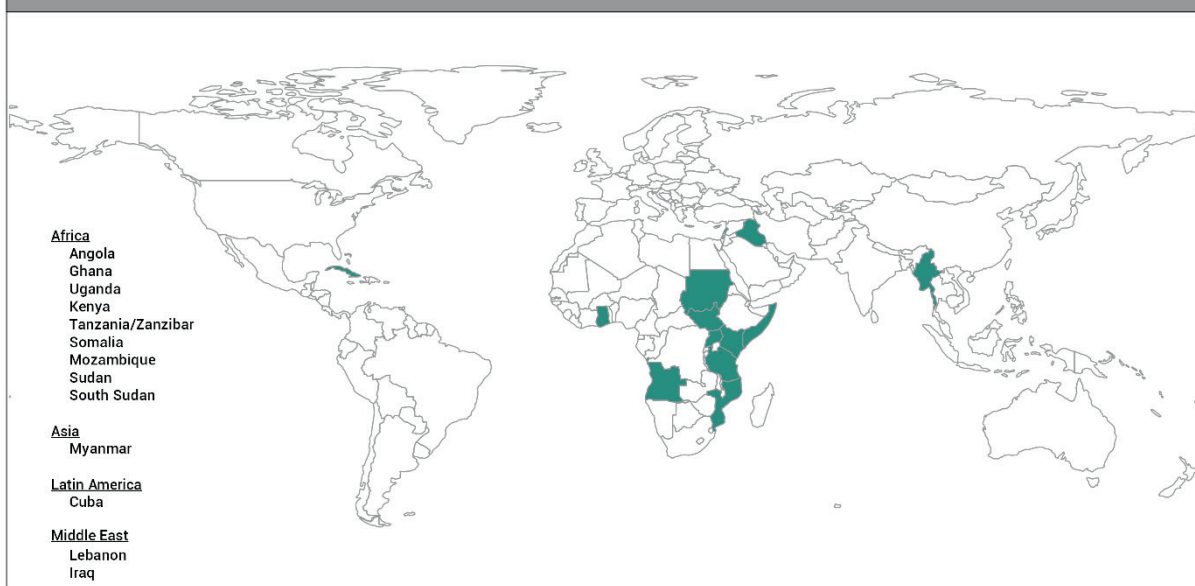
## Project's results :

- 24 participants from Ghana, Uganda, Kenya, Tanzania/Zanzibar and Mozambique took part in the training on planning for and managing oil and gas operations in and near protected and ecologically sensitive areas
- Government officials in the Ministries of Petroleum, Environment, Planning, Transport, and other relevant Ministries, Departments and Agencies involved in managing the environmental impacts of the oil industry learned how to improve their management approaches that mitigate adverse impacts and that support a positive relationship between oil and gas development and social and environmental objectives in and around these areas.



Participants and the Training Team of the Regional Workshop on Oil and Gas operations in environmentally sensitive areas on their field visit to the Nairobi National Park, Kenya. 12.09.2018

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### Links to websites for further information

Global Network on Environment and Oil and Gas Newsletter: <http://eepurl.com/dCV5oL>, Global Network Capacity building Platform: <https://www.linkedin.com/in/global-network-on-environment-and-oil-and-gas-a417a3163>, Benefit-sharing: [www.cbd.int/abs](http://www.cbd.int/abs), UN Biodiversity Conference, Cancun, Mexico, 2016: [www.cbd.int/cop2016](http://www.cbd.int/cop2016) Access and Benefit-sharing Clearing-House: <https://absch.cbd.int> <https://snrd-asia.org/policy-paper-how-abs-and-nagoya-protocol-contribute-to-sdgs>