



Experiences and Lessons Learned in Nigeria and Iran

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Nigeria's Environmental Agencies



- **FMEEnv – Federal Ministry of Environment (formerly FEPA)**
 - Ensures development of environmental standards and compliance monitoring
 - Approves EIA's and just recently began holding public hearings
- **DPR – Department of Petroleum Resources**



**Environmental Guidelines and Standards for the Petroleum Industry
in Nigeria (EGASPIN) - revised rules 30 July 2002**



- OGP – International Association of Oil and Gas Producers
- World Petroleum Congress – Next congress in 25-29 September 2005 in Johannesburg, South Africa
- IAIA – International Association for Impact Assessment
- World Bank
- Kuwait Regional Convention – ROPME 1978
- Qatar Environmental Protection Committee
- Regional Organization for the Protection of the Marine Environment
- International Conventions for the Prevention of Pollution of the Sea by Oil, the Safety of Life at Sea, and the Prevention of Accidents at Sea
- Biodiversity Treaty

Random Challenges

- **Unclear or non-existent regulations**
- **Violence or unrest due to social inequities and inter-communal conflict causes vandalism of equipment, theft, etc...**
- **Corruption**

Lessons Learned

- One size does not fit all
- “Grey-ness”
- Photos, photos, photos – not easy to go back to site if there is a question
- Start environmental strategy early in project conception stage
- Plan contingencies, anticipate modifications in social and political climates
- Partner with locals and NGOs, build stakeholders and maximize collateral benefits
- Respect the culture