

Joint Announcement: Egyptian Ministry of Petroleum and BP Egypt

Sharm El-Sheikh, 14 March, 2015: Today, H.E. Eng. Sherif Ismail, Minister of Petroleum and Mineral Resources of the Arab Republic of Egypt, and Bob Dudley, BP Group Chief Executive, signed a Memorandum of Commencement for BP's New Projects in Egypt.

The Memorandum lists BP's new activities and its respective investments, which are estimated to be up to USD 12 billion (equivalent to circa EGP 91 billion), to progress the production of 3 billion barrels of oil equivalent. This will include the execution of the West Nile Delta project, exploration and resource appraisal activities, East Nile Delta operations and future activities and Gulf of Suez operations and future activities.

Following the signing ceremony, H.E. Eng. Sherif Ismail, Minister of Petroleum commented: *"We appreciate the strong relationship we have with BP and consider this Memorandum another key milestone in our long term partnership with the company."*

Also commenting on the signing of the Memorandum, Bob Dudley, BP Group Chief Executive said, *"BP honors its commitments to Egypt and is keen to play a key role in securing the country's energy future. BP is proud of its record in Egypt over the past 50 years and we are looking forward to many more years in the country. Today's memorandum is another vote of confidence in Egypt and a milestone in our long history."* Hesham Mekawi, BP North Africa Regional President, added: *"The projects and investments included in this Memorandum demonstrate our continued confidence in Egypt and our commitment in our ability to unlock Egypt's energy potential. The West Nile Delta (WND) Project will add significant production to the domestic market. BP also intends to continue to invest in our existing oil operations, as well as progressing our recently discovered resources to allow for the next new major development after WND."*

In particular, **The West Nile Delta (WND) Project** is a major project for Egypt and BP with a development target of five Trillion Cubic Feet of gas resources and fifty five million barrels of condensate; together these form the initial resources estimate. This is a major project that is expected to reach up to 1.2 billion cubic feet a day, equivalent to more than 25% of Egypt's current production and will be directed in its entirety to the domestic market. During the project's construction phase, thousands of jobs will be created (both directly and indirectly).

BP is also committed to the execution of an **integrated Exploration and Appraisal program**. This includes progressing the appraisal program of the recently announced discoveries Salamat and Atoll in addition to BP's activities in its newly awarded blocks offshore and onshore.

Moreover, BP will continue to progress the **East Nile Delta operations** where BP and its partners are aiming at maintaining optimum production levels while additionally exploring and appraising new leases for development.



Cautionary statement

This press release contains certain forward-looking statements concerning BP's expectations regarding the signing of a Memorandum of Commencement of BP New Projects in Egypt, including expectations regarding the estimated level of future investment and potential development volumes under the Memorandum; plans and expectations regarding future exploration, resource appraisal activities and programs, operations and BP's long-term presence in Egypt; the estimated level of daily production and future job creation prospects for the West Nile Delta project; plans regarding the maintenance of production levels and progression of future activities in the East Nile Delta; and plans to continue investment, development and exploration in the Gulf of Suez despite base decline in the region. Actual results may differ from those expressed in such statements, depending on a variety of factors including changes in public expectations and other changes to business conditions; the timing, quantum and nature of divestments; the receipt of relevant third-party and/or regulatory approvals; future levels of industry product supply; demand and pricing; OPEC quota restrictions; PSA effects; operational problems; regulatory or legal actions; economic and financial conditions generally or in various countries and regions; political stability and economic growth in relevant areas of the world; changes in laws and governmental regulations; exchange rate fluctuations; development and use of new technology; the success or otherwise of partnering; the actions of competitors, trading partners and others; natural disasters and adverse weather conditions; changes in public expectations and other changes to business conditions; wars and acts of terrorism, cyber-attacks or sabotage; and other factors discussed under "Risk factors" in our Annual Report and Form 20-F 2014.

This press release contains references to non-proved resources and production outlooks based on non-proved resources that the SEC's rules prohibit us from including in our filings with the SEC. U.S. investors are urged to consider closely the disclosures in our Form 20-F, SEC File No. 1-06262. This form is available on our website at www.bp.com. You can also obtain this form from the SEC by calling 1-800-SEC-0330 or by logging on to their website at www.sec.gov

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His Excellency President Abdel Fattah El-Sisi is proud to be hosting the Egypt Economic Development Conference (EEDC) in Sharm el-Sheikh on 13-15 March 2015. The conference is a key milestone in the implementation of the government's medium term reform program designed to accelerate the economic development of Egypt.

Attracting leading global figures from business and politics, the EEDC is highlighting the extensive reforms the government has already implemented and showcasing future reforms designed to restore fiscal stability, drive growth and attract investment with the overarching aim of improving the welfare of the Egyptian people. The conference is also presenting investment opportunities, across key sectors, to domestic and international investors.

The EEDC is reaffirming Egypt's potential as a source of political and economic stability in the region and a trusted partner on the international stage.

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