

Democratic Republic of São Tomé and Principe

APPEX Conference London First Licensing Round

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This information is provided by ANP-STP to Oil Companies as a introduction to the Country Overview, Legal Framework in Place, National Petroleum Institution, Licence Terms, Bidding Process and Blocks available for awarding.

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Democratic Republic of São Tomé and Príncipe Overview

 Location: In the Gulf of Guinea, off the westcentral coast of Africa, 300 kms (160 mi.) from Gabon

• Capital: São Tomé

• Land area: approximately 1001 Km²

• Maritime area: approximately 166,000 Km²

• Distance from Continent: 300 Km

• **Population:** 160,000 (estimate 2007)

• Climate: Tropical. Average temperature 26° C (78° F) on the coast; lower in the highland. Dry season June to August. Short periods of tropical rains during the rest of the year.

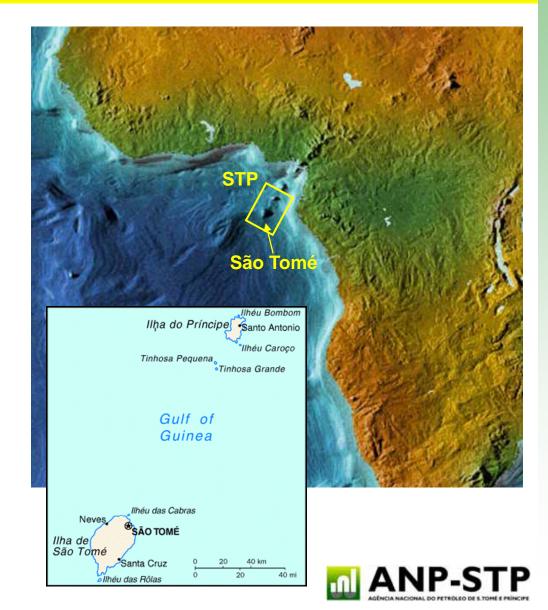
• Official Language: Portuguese

• **Government:** Semi-presidential Representative Democracy

 Natural Resources: Cocoa, coconuts, bananas, coffee, palm oil, fishes, Petroleum (not yet exploited)

• Export: cocoa, coffee, coconut, pepper

• Currency: Dobras (STD)





Legal Framework in Place

- Fundamental Law on Petroleum Operations (Law n.16/2009)
- Petroleum Taxation Law (Law n. 15/2009)
- Model PSC
- Petroleum Regulations
- Bidding Guidelines and Appendices for the First Licensing Round
- Law that creates National Petroleum Agency(Law n.5/2004)
- Petroleum Revenue Management Law (Law n.8/2004)
- General law on Environment (Law n. 10/1999)
- Law that approves the Environmental Impact Survey(Law n.3/1999)



Saotomean Institution

Agencia Nacional do Petróleo(ANP-STP),

(National Petroleum Agency)

- Is the regulatory authority for the petroleum operations (exploration, production and transport of hydrocarbons)
- Participate in the proposal of legislation and its implementation
- Promote the exploration within exclusive economic zone
- Organize and conduct licensing including negotiations with applicants
- Assess and recommend the approval of field development plans and tail-end production and abandonment
- Co/ordinate all government supervisory functions related to petroleum operations





Key Licensing Terms

- Opening date is 2nd March 2010 and closing date 15th September 2010
- The Licensing Round is based on open tender. Applicants will be assessed based on evaluation criteria
- The State reserves the right to participate in petroleum operations. The participation may be directly or through an entity wholly or partly owned and controlled by the State
- No petroleum activity may be undertaken in the EEZ, except pursuant to and in accordance with the Petroleum Law n° 16/2009
- 3 Phase of exploration: 4+2+2
- The ceiling cost recovery shall be a maximum of 80%
- Profit Sharing based on Rate of Return
- International Oil companies commencing activities in the country for the first time are required to either be registered or incorporated upon award of acreage and prior to the commencing of any operations



Bidding Process (key parameters)

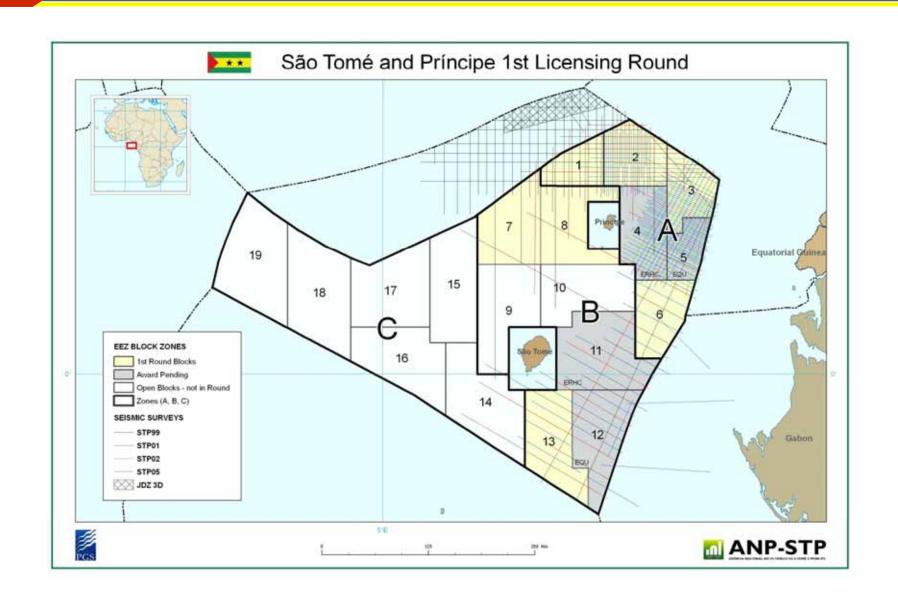


- Applicants may submit applications for more than one block in one zone, however only one block must be awarded in the same zone
- Application fee is USD 25,000
- Applications must be made in ANP-STP Applications forms (Appendices A,B,C and D)
- Bidding Evaluation Criteria consists of Technical Evaluation and Commercial Evaluation Criteria. Procedure for Assessment
 - 1. Verifications of applications requirements
 - 2. Bid Evaluation
 - 3. Recommendations by ANP-STP to the Government for approval
 - 4. Granting and Approval
 - 5. Announcement of results
 - 6. PSC negotiations
 - 7. Signature of the PSC
- Applicants are recommended to licence the data prior to submitting their application for a PSC.



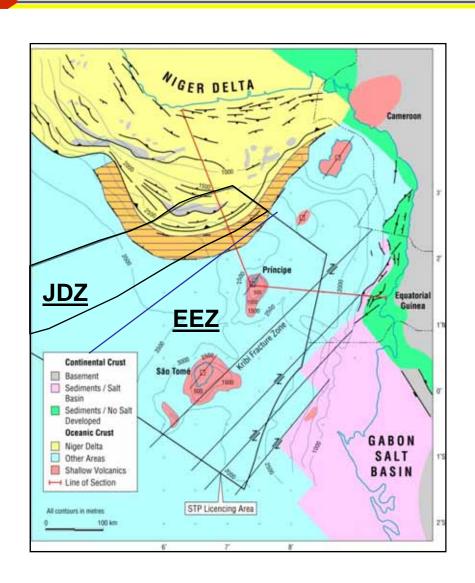


EEZ Blocks





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Sao Tome and Principe First License Round - Data Rooms





Sao Tome Data Room

Opens March 15th 2010

UK Data Room

Opens March 15th 2010

- Key Technical Reports (Paper & pdf)
- Technical Reports (pdf)
- SMT Kingdom Project

Data Room Rules Apply





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