

# Technical Meeting on the Future of Work in the Oil and Gas Industry

Report for discussion

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# Chapter 1 The oil and gas industry



### **Overview of the oil and gas industry**



As some of the world's most valuable commodities, oil and gas significantly contribute to the global economy 3%

Oil industry's contribution to global GDP in 2019

# 11.9 million

Number of people employed by global oil and gas supply in 2019



# Chapter 2 Megatrends and drivers of change

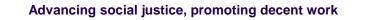


## Climate change

# Increasing concerns over its environmental footprint are leading to changes in the oil and gas industry

- Reduction of emissions
- Restructuring of business models
- Transitioning to renewable energy

Growing efforts for a just energy transition to meet the Paris Agreement goals







### **Technological advances**



- Optimize operations and maintenance
  - Drive down production costs
    - Reduce GHG emissions

- Robotics, drones, automation
- IoT, big data, AI
- Clean energy technology
- Climate-neutral energy sources



# Demographics

Oil and gas demand and consumption patterns are being affected by demographic shifts

- Global population growth 8 billion and counting...
- Growing middle classes in emerging economies
- Consumer preferences and technological advances

It is predicted that global energy use will increase by 50% by 2050 compared to 2020 levels

Advancing social justice, promoting decent work

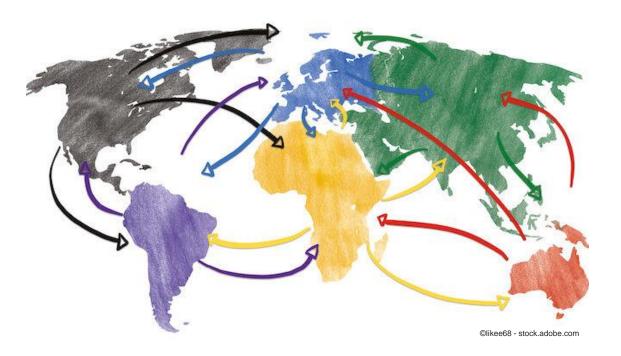


# Globalization

The oil and gas industry is at the heart of the global production network...

#### At the same time...

- Resource nationalism
- Develop and protect domestic oil and gas industry
- Ensure energy independence





# Chapter 3 Challenges and opportunities for decent and sustainable work



### **Employment & skills needs**

# The energy transition could lead to a strong decline in employment by 2030

- Megatrends can influence job creation, transformation and loss
- Skills challenges with ageing workforce & intense competition for high-skilled workers

Inclusive & sustainable social protection systems Skills development & lifelong learning

# -1.6 million

Job demand decline in petroleum refinery by 2030

-1.4 million

Job demand decline in crude oil extraction by 2030

40%

Estimated oil and gas workers that will need to be reskilled



# Sustainable enterprises

#### **Drivers of growth**

Enabling environment is needed for oil and gas companies, particularly SMEs, to harness their potentials for

- Job creation
- Promoting decent work
- Environmental sustainability





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## Working conditions

#### Areas for improvement

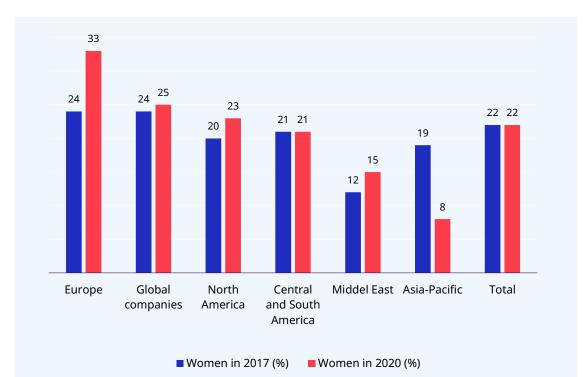
- ► Wage gaps
- Long working hours
- Fatigue and extreme working environments

Robust and sustainable social protection policies are needed





#### Gender, equality, diversity and inclusion



#### Oil and gas industry has one of the lowest rates of diversity in its workforce

- Equal treatment in recruitment, promotion, training
- Equal pay for work of equal value
- Violence and harassment
- Discrimination

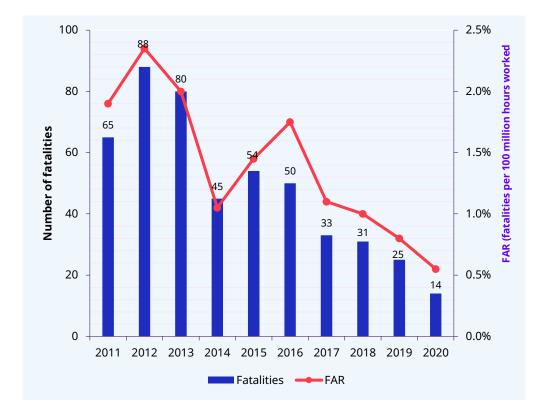




### **Occupational safety and health**

Oil and gas production remains a hazardous activity

- Safety and health performance has improved over the past 10 years
- Need for robust OSH legislation and policies
- Strengthening of labour inspection
- Attention to workers' exposure to the elements and fatigue





## A just energy transition for all

#### Navigating an increasingly uncertain future

- Sound industrial relations
- ► Effective social dialogue
- Governments, employers and workers jointly engaged in the formulation of policies and actions





# Thank you!