



## Guide to Technical Terms

Two-dimensional seismic	2D
Three-dimensional seismic	3D
Four-dimensional seismic	4D
1996 Iran-Libya Sanctions Act USA	ILSA
African units of account	AfUA
Alternating current	AC
Atmospheric distillation	AD
Barrels	bbls
Barrels of oil equivalent	boe
Barrels per day	b/d
Black economic empowerment	BEE
British thermal unit	btu
British Virgin Islands	BVI
Broadband over power line	BPL
Build-own-operate	BOO
Build-own-operate-transfer	BOOT
Build-operate-transfer	BOT
Carried work programme	CWP
Central processing facility	CPF
Clean development mechanism (Kyoto Protocol)	CDM
Coal-bed methane	CBM
Coal-to-hydrocarbons	CTH
Coal-to-power	CTP
Combined cycle gas turbine	CCGT
Combined heat and power	CHP
Combustion turbine generator	CTG
Complex conversion refinery	CCR
Composite ground wire with optical fibre	OPGW
Compressed natural gas	CNG
Cubic feet	ft <sup>3</sup>
Cubic feet per day	ft <sup>3</sup> /d
Cubic metres	m <sup>3</sup>
Cubic metres per day	m <sup>3</sup> /d
Cumulative Production	Cum. Prod.
Daily contracted quantity	DCQ
Democratic Republic of Congo	DRC
Development and production-sharing agreement	DPSA
Development and production-sharing contract	DPSC
Development finance institution	DFI

Dirham (Moroccan currency)	Dh
Dynamic positioning	DP
Early production system	EPS
East African Power Pool	EAPP
Eastern gas-gathering system	EGCS
Electricity supply industry	ESI
Energy sector recovery programme	ESRP
Engineering, procurement and construction	EPC
Engineering, procurement, construction, integration and commissioning	EPCIC
Engineering, procurement and construction management	EPCM
Engineering, procurement, installation and commissioning	EPIC
Enhanced oil recovery	EOR
Environmental and social impact assessment	ESIA
Environmental impact assessment	EIA
Environmental impact report	EIR
Estimated	est
Estimated reserves	ER
Exploration & production	E&P
Exploration and production concession contract	EPCC
Exploration and production-sharing agreement	EPSA
Exploration and production-sharing contract	EPSC
Export credit agency	ECA
Expressions of interest	EOI
Extension	ext
Extra high-voltage	EHV
Farm-in agreement	FIA
Field development plan	FDP
Final investment decision	FID
Financial year	FY
Floating production and storage and offloading vessel	FPSO
Floating production unit	FPU
Floating storage and offloading vessel	FSO
Fluidised catalytic cracker	FCC
Free trade zone	FTZ
Front-end engineering and design	FEED
Gas equivalent	ge
Gas-gathering system	GGs
Gas oil separation plant	GOSP
Gas sale agreement	GSA
Gas-to-liquids	GTL
Gas-to-power	GTP
Global Rural Electrification Programme	Perg
Gross domestic product	GDP
Group managing director	GMD
Half	H
Heads of agreement	HoA

Heavy fuel oil	HFO
High-resolution aeromagnetic survey	HRAS
High-tension	HT
High-voltage	HV
High-voltage alternating current transmission lines	HVAC
High-voltage direct current	HVDC
Hydrodesulphurisation	HDS
Hydroelectric power plant/project	HEP
Hydroelectric power project	HPP
Independent power project	IPP
Independent water and power project/plant	IWPP
Initial public offering	IPO
Integrated solar/combined cycle	ISCC
International competitive bidding	ICB
International financial institution	IFI
International oil company	IOC
Joint development agreement	JDA
Joint development zone	JDZ
Joint operating company	JOC
Joint venture	JV
Kilometre	km
Square kilometre	km <sup>2</sup>
Kilovolt	kV
Kilowatt hour	kWh
Letter of acceptance	LoA
Letter of credit	l/c
Letter of intent	LoI
Limited (company)	Ltd
Limited liability company	LLC
Linear alkyl benzene	LAB
Line of credit	LoC
Liquefied natural gas	LNG
Liquefied petroleum gas	LPG
Litres per day	ltrs/d
Low-tension	LT
Low-voltage	LV
Mandated lead arranger	MLA
Mauritian rupee	MUR
Medium-tension	MT
Medium-voltage	MV
Megawatt	MW
Memorandum of co-operation	MoC
Memorandum of understanding	MoU
Methyl tertiary butyl ether	MTBE
Million	m
Million tonne(s)	mt
Min	minimum
Natural gas liquids	NGL
National oil company	NOC
Nile Basin Initiative	NBI

Non-governmental organisation	NGO
Oil in Place	OIP
Oil mining lease	OML
Oil prospecting licence	OPL
Open cycle gas turbine	OCGT
Operation and maintenance	O&M
Original oil in place	OOIP
Overseas development assistance	ODA
Pebble-bed high temperature reactor	HTR
Petroleum revenue management programme	PRMP
Parts per million	ppm
Photo-voltaic	PV
Political risk insurance	PRI
Power purchase agreement	PPA
Preliminary information memorandum	PIM
Production-sharing agreement	PSA
Production-sharing contract	PSC
Production-sharing licence	PSL
Programme management contractor	PMC
Propylene	PP
Proved, probable and possible	3P
Public/private partnership	PPP
Pumped Storage Scheme	PSS
Purified terephthalic acid	PTA
Quarter	Q
Regional electricity distributor	RED
Rehabilitate-operate-transfer	ROT
Request for proposals	RFP
Research and development	R&D
Resettlement action plan	RAP
Retail convenience centre	RCC
Reverse osmosis	RO
Saharan Arab Democratic Republic	SADR
Sale and purchase agreement	SPA
São Tomé e Príncipe	STP
SAPP's short-term energy market	STEM
South Africa	SA
Southern African Power Pool	SAPP
Single buoy moorings	SBM
Small hydropower project	SHPP
Special purpose vehicle	SPV
Strategic/sectoral social and environmental assessment	SSEA
Supervisory control and data acquisition	Scada
Technical assistance	TA
Technical co-operation agreement	TCA
Technical evaluation agreement	TEA
Technical services agreement	TSA
Tension-leg platform	TLP
The Heavily Indebted Poor Countries initiative	HIPC

Tonnes per year	t/yr
Transmission and distribution	T&D
Trillion	trn
Umbilicals, risers and flowlines	URF
Very large crude carrier	VLCC
Western Libya Gas Project	WLGP
Year	yr

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