

# Systems Approach to Subsea Projects Manufacturer's Perspective

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# Systems Approach

Manufacturer's Perspective







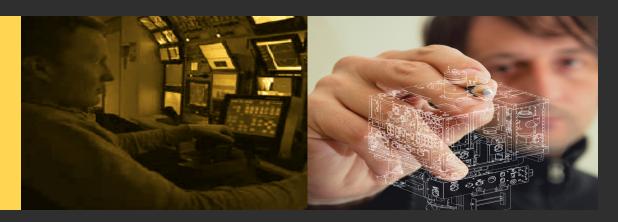


# Introduction to Subsea Systems

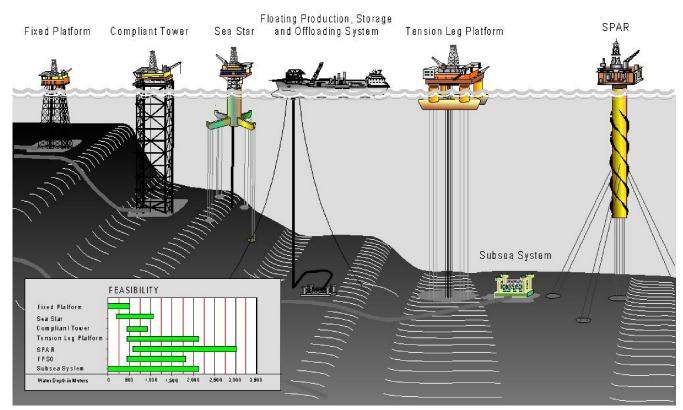
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- Trends in Equipment
- Flow Assurance-Deliverability
- Field Architecture
  - Subsea Layout Configurations
  - Economic Drivers
  - Scenario Planning
- Applications & Hardware Selection
- Project Execution

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# **Deepwater Discussion**



# Production Platforms-by water depth

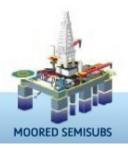


Source: www.rigzone.com

# Drilling Vessels-by water depth









| Water Depth (Feet) | Surface Vessel   | Type of Mooring                    |
|--------------------|------------------|------------------------------------|
| < 400              | Jack-up          | Spud Can or Mudmat                 |
| 400-4,000          | Semi-Submersible | Mooring (Anchors)                  |
| > 4,000            | Semi-Submersible | Dynamically Positioned (Thrusters) |
| > 2,000            | Drill Ship       | Dynamically Positioned (Thrusters) |

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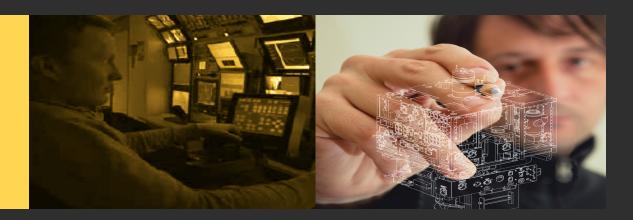
Subsea Tree Equipment-by water depth



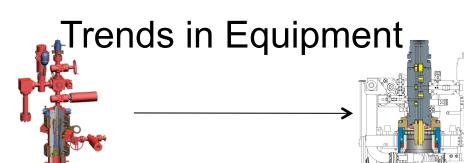
| Water Depth (Feet) | Surface Vessel  | Type of Tree           |
|--------------------|-----------------|------------------------|
| < 350              | Jack-up         | Mudline – Diver Assist |
| 350-750            | Floating Vessel | Diver Assist           |
| 750-2500           | Floating Vessel | Diverless              |
| > 2,500            | Floating Vessel | Guidelineless          |

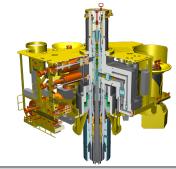
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# Trends



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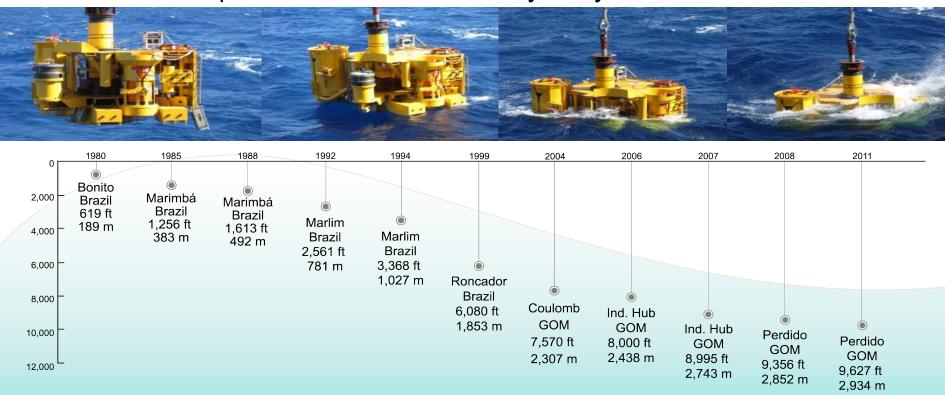




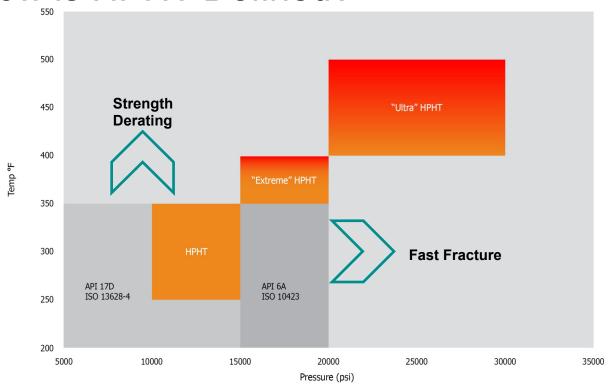
| Time       | <b>Equipment Press/Prod Rate</b> | Equipment Size/Location        |  |
|------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|--|
| 1960s-1990 | 1,000 to 5,000 psi;              | 3" bore (GOM); 4" (Brazil)     |  |
|            | 1,000 to 3,000 bbls/day          | 5" (North Sea)                 |  |
| 1990s      | 10,000psi;                       | 4" bore (GOM); 5" (Brazil)     |  |
|            | 5,000 to 6,000 bbls/day          | 7" (North Sea)                 |  |
| 2000s      | 15,000 psi;                      | 5-7" bore (GOM); 5-7" (Brazil) |  |
|            | 10,000 to 50,000 bbls/day        | 9" (North Sea)                 |  |
| 2014+      | 20,000 psi;                      | 2                              |  |
|            | HPHT in development              | ?                              |  |

# Technology leadership

Subsea depth record is doubled every 5-7 years



## How is HPHT Defined?

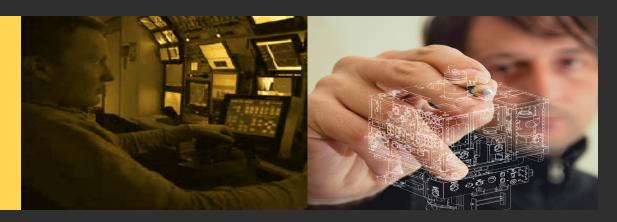


Subsea HPHT Range: 10-15Kpsi / 250-350F Surface HPHT Range: 10-20Kpsi / 250-350F

Source: OTC 17927

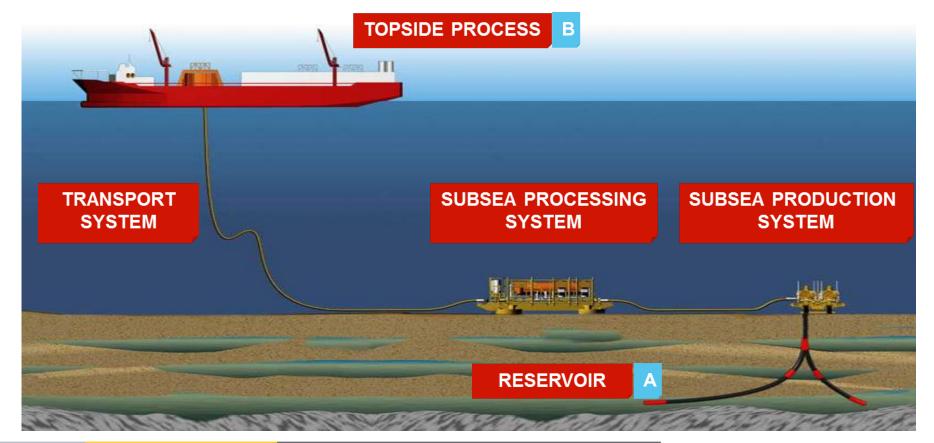
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# Flow Assurance-Deliverability



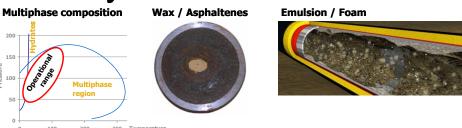
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# Overall Goal: getting hydrocarbons from A to B



## Flow Assurance-Deliverability

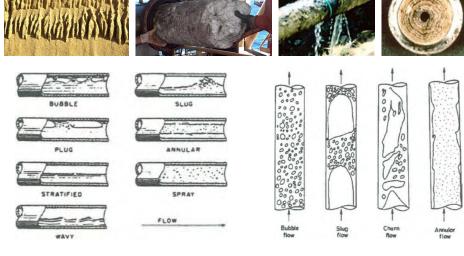
- System Deliverability
- Dynamic Flow Simulations
- Liquid Slugging
- Paraffin, Hydrates
- Corrosion, Erosion
- Flowline Design
- Flow Regimes
- Thermal Systems Design
- Operating Procedures
- Topside Impact Evaluation
- Chemical Injection System



Corrosion

Scale (salts)

**Gas Hydrates** 

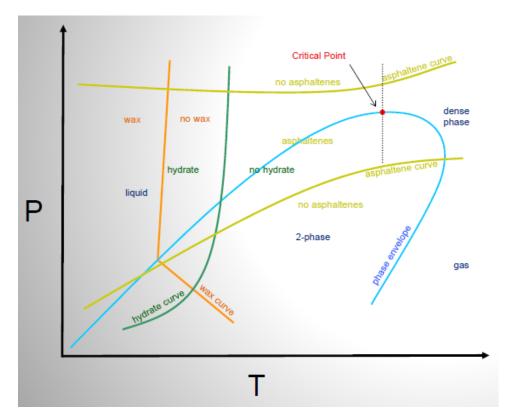


Source: Subsea Pipelines and Risers, Yong Bai and Qiang Bai

Sand / Erosion

# Flow Assurance-Deliverability

- Operating Envelope
  - Displays multiple curves on a pressure vs.
     temperature graph
  - Allows user to identify the ideal operating ranges to avoid flow assurance issues
  - Scale must be considered in analysis



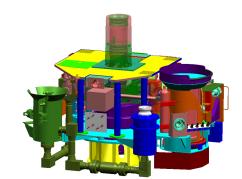
Source: Wood Group kenny, UH SUBS 6330, 2013, Lecture 3: Flow Assurance

# **Deliverability Enhancements**

- Gas Lift
  - Downhole
  - Subsea Tree
  - Riser Base



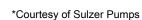
- Seabed Multiphase
- Downhole ESP



Injection Wells



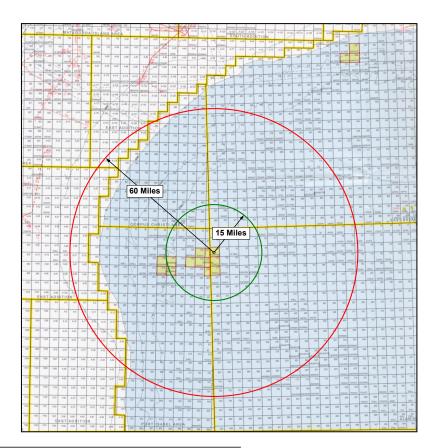
- Separation
  - Subsea
  - Downhole



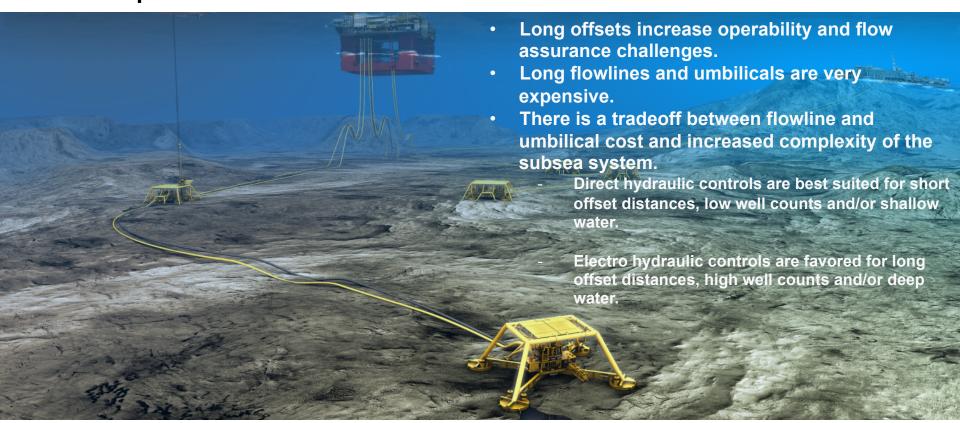


## General Rules for Subsea Tiebacks & Offsets

- If Oil: <15<30 miles</li>
- If Gas: <60 miles</li>
- Caveats
  - Oil
    - Energy to flow
    - Flow Assurance
  - Gas
    - Flow Assurance
    - Energy
    - Wet/Dry

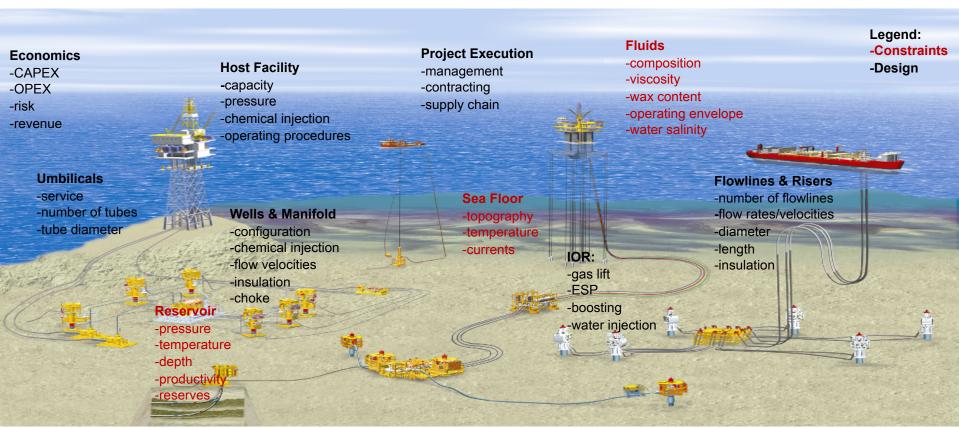


## Importance of Offset Distance



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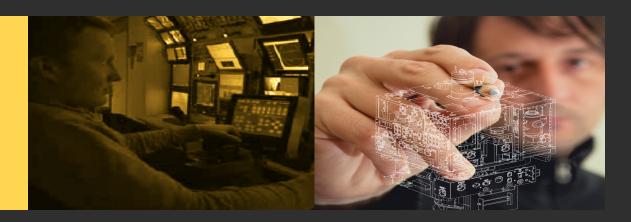
# Operability Areas to be Addressed



\*Courtesy of IntecSea

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# Field Architecture



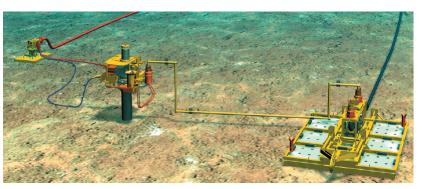
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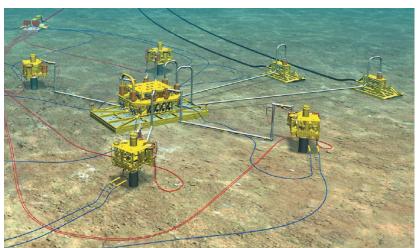
# Systems Level Design



## Field Architecture and Economic Drivers Subsea

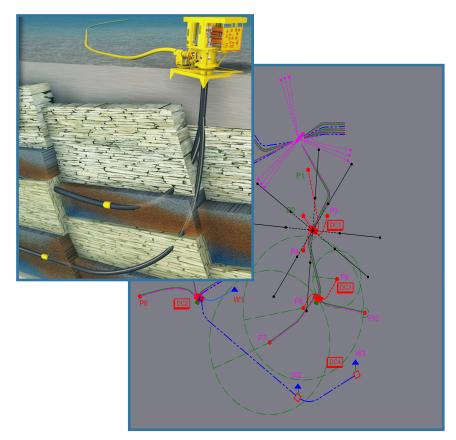
- Subsea equipment is "modularized" to accommodate a "building block" approach
  - Enabled by flowline jumpers and ROV flying leads
- Building blocks provide for:
  - Phased development
  - Adaptability to a variety of:
    - Field configurations
    - Host facilities
    - Logistics
    - Installation methods
  - Better control of "Risk Management"



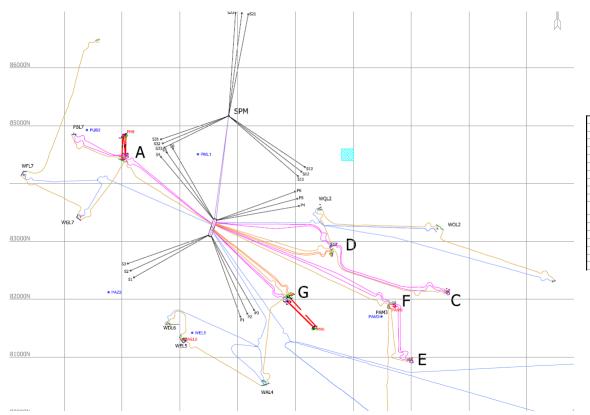


## Trade Offs for Seabed Location of Wells

- Straight hole wells are typically the lowest cost to drill, but...
  - Deviated drilling allows wells to be located at drill centers
  - Drill centers minimize rig moves and simplify flowline and umbilical routing (saves cost)
  - Flowline and umbilical routing has to avoid interference with vessel moorings, well locations, seabed hazards, installation requirements, etc.
  - Well locations must satisfy drainage and injection requirements of reservoir



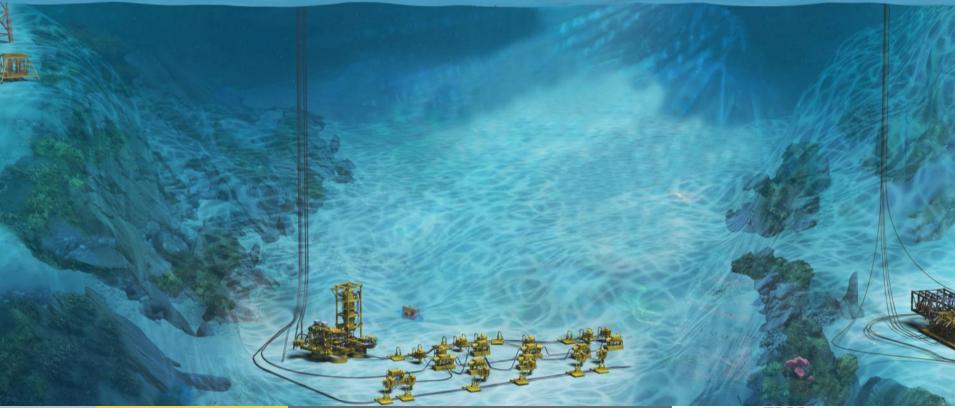
# Example of Field Architecture



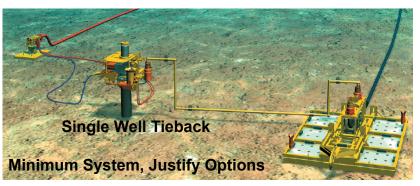
| LEGEND           |                                     |  |  |
|------------------|-------------------------------------|--|--|
|                  | PRODUCTION FLOWLINE                 |  |  |
|                  | GAS INJECTION FLOWLINE              |  |  |
|                  | WATER INJECTION FLOWLINE            |  |  |
|                  | UMBILICAL                           |  |  |
|                  | SFL                                 |  |  |
|                  | SFL                                 |  |  |
|                  | EFL (EC1)                           |  |  |
| - $   -$         | EFL (EC2)                           |  |  |
| <b>*</b>         | SURFACE WELL LOCATION               |  |  |
| •                | SUBSURFACE WELL TARGET              |  |  |
|                  |                                     |  |  |
| GEODESY          |                                     |  |  |
| ELLIPSOID        | WGS84                               |  |  |
| PROJECTION       | UNIVERSAL TRANSVERSE MERCATOR (UTM) |  |  |
| CENTRAL MERIDIAN | 3° E                                |  |  |
| ZONE             | 31 NORTH                            |  |  |
| FALSE EASTING    | 50000m                              |  |  |
| FALSE NORTHING   | 0m                                  |  |  |
|                  |                                     |  |  |

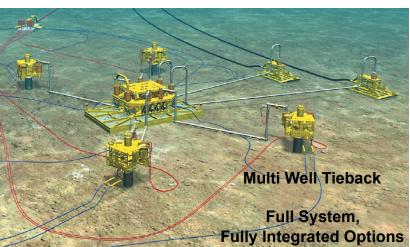
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# Seabed Bathymetry Affects Field Layout



# Scenario Planning-Range of Subsea Projects

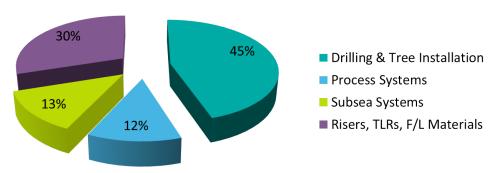




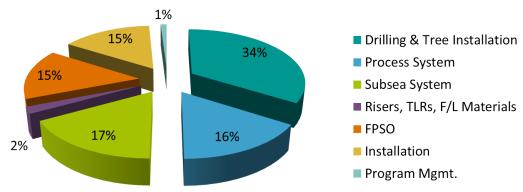
| Case | Reserves | Total Price | Development Cost per Barrel |
|------|----------|-------------|-----------------------------|
|      | (MMbbls) | CAPEX (\$M) |                             |
| 1    | 257      | \$1,192     | \$4.64                      |
| 2    | 242      | \$1,169     | \$4.83                      |
| 3    | 178      | \$1,015     | \$5.70                      |
| 4    | 242      | \$1,217     | \$5.03                      |
| 5    | 197      | \$ 952      | \$4.83                      |
| 6    | 185      | \$ 949      | \$5.13                      |
| 7    | 133      | \$ 818      | \$6.15                      |

## Cost Drivers-Total CAPEX Breakdown for Subsea

#### **Subsea Tieback**

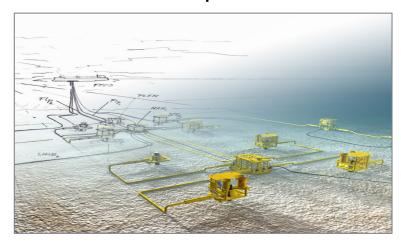


#### **FPSO Subsea Tieback**



Field Architecture: an iterative process

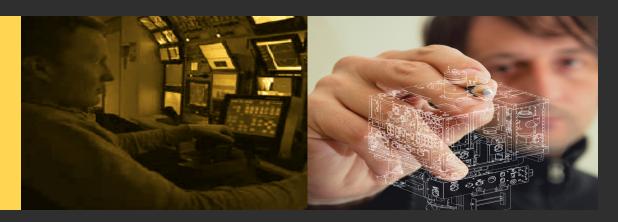
- Participants
- Project Drivers
- Project Flow
  - Total Development Solution





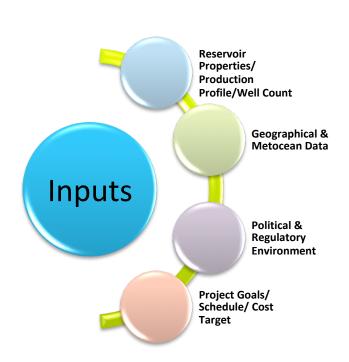
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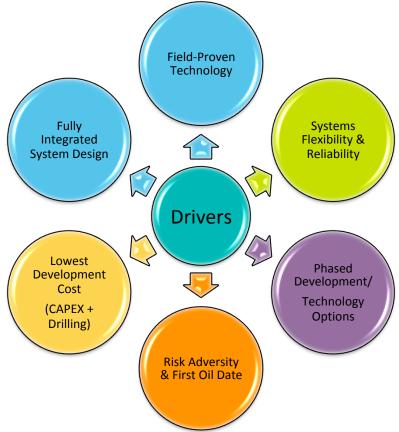
# Applications & Hardware Selection



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Typical Project Inputs & Drivers





# Systems, built from various combinations of these...

**Loading Systems** 



**Separation Systems** 



**Direct Drive Systems** 



Multi Phase Meters



**Measurement Solutions** 



Material Handling Solutions



Blending and Transfer Systems



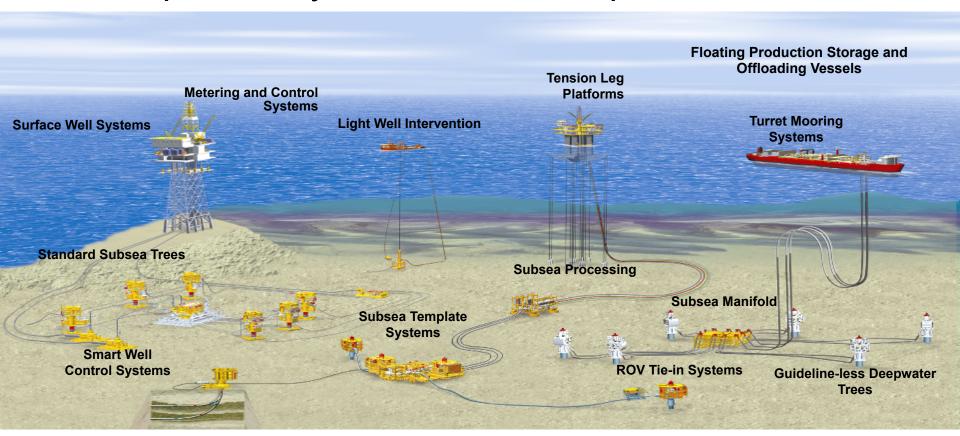
**Automation and Control** 



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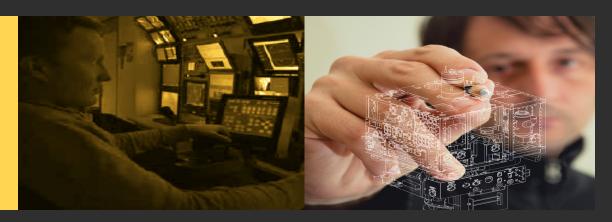


# Deepwater Systems-Tieback Options



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# Project Execution



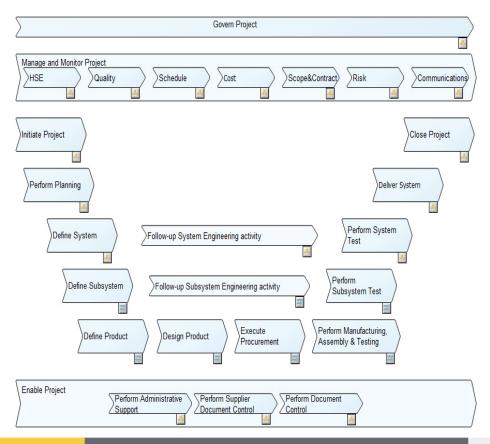
# **Business Process Management System**



# Systems Level Design

- Understanding Requirements
  - Design Basis Document (DBD)
- Defining Deliverables
  - Master Equipment List (MEL)
  - Contractor Master Document Register (CMDR)
  - Material Selection Matrix (MSM)
- Managing Interfaces
  - Interface Register
  - Systems Integration Test (SIT)
- Project Execution
  - Scheduling
  - Engineering
  - Risk Analysis
  - Lessons Learned

# **Execute System Project**



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# **Project Execution**

### **System Challenges**

- Every project/system is unique
- Projects involve multiple manufacturers
- Interface management
- Continuous improvement
- Triple Constraint
  - Time/Money/Resources

## **Engineering Challenges**

- Higher reservoir pressures and temperatures
- Deeper water and longer offsets
- Flow assurance challenges
- Nastier produced fluids
- New technology demands

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