



Invitation to participation in the third Russian-German “Young Visions Award”

Operation of existing production systems and equipment, as well as the use of different technologies for the recovery of hydrocarbons there are often present significant environmental challenges in terms of pollution of air, soil and water sources.

Oil and gas companies face the task of minimizing, and wherever possible, complete eliminating the undesired impact of the oil and gas production process on the environment.

Especially now, considering the industry business factors, the purchasing of new equipment and technologies increases the budget burden of the company, but not always result in the desired environmental effect.

Significant changes are possible when searching for innovative and creative solutions that will not only give a "second" life to production capacity, but also improve the rating of the company as part of social and environmental responsibility.

Competition task

Please provide your innovation advancement idea on how oil and gas companies can reduce the environmental challenges resulted from oil & gas operations via improving and upgrading its existing equipment, systems and processes, and technologies.

Kindly present your ideas in English.

Presentation

Please introduce your team and your specific solution - maximum of two (2) A4 sheets text.

Submit your idea (the problem and ways to solve it), the implementation and possible solutions in the form of presentation - maximum of 20 slides.



Award

The three teams with the best submissions from both countries, Russia and Germany, will be invited to present their ideas at a conference in September 2015, which will select the best idea.

The team that will have presented, according to the jury, the best idea will be granted the Young Vision Award 2015, which comes with following benefits:

- 1 week internship in one of the branches of Wintershall Holding GmbH or of Gazprom EP International Services B.V.
- The publication of the proposed idea in the magazines "Oil&Gas Journal Russia", "Offshore Russia", "Gazprom"
- A one-year complementary "Oil & Gas Journal Russia" subscription
- Evaluation of their ideas by one or more international experts. If the idea is found to be technically feasible, appropriate and economically justified, the companies Wintershall Holding GmbH and Gazprom EP International Services B.V. will support the first phase of the project via financing.

Contestants:

Bachelor students - last semester
Master students - first semester

Participants must have a valid passport for travelling abroad.

Deadline for applications:

April 30, 2015

Jury:

The jury is composed of independent international experts.
The expert committee's decision on the finalists will be taken in June 2015.



Evaluation criteria:

What criteria will be most important for the assessment of work?

- To introduce a new idea: imagine possible ways to improve environmental and economic effect of existing production systems and/or equipment “on a market”, including practical work program in case of victory of your team.
- To evaluate the “speed of changes”, i. e. how soon the design effect will contribute to economic and operations.
- To evaluate the commitment to HSE, and occupational and industrial safety as well as the creative component of the project
- To assess your teamwork and how your idea will be able to act as a training tool for others.
- Please introduce your team working on the project
- Idea presented should increase the overall (industry) environmental protection level
- Ideas that have already been summited are already conducted as R&D project will not be accepted.

Contribution to environmental protection in production of oil and gas considering both environmental & economical effect from improvement of existing production systems and equipment	40%
Operational applicability of the proposed solution, “Quick Wins”	30%
Innovation and creativity	20%
Presentation quality	10%

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