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# Innovation in the LNG Industry: Shell's Approach

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### Three Hard Truths.

- World energy demand is accelerating
- Supply of "easy" oil and gas will struggle to keep pace
- Environmental pressures are increasing



# History of Shell's Involvement

- Technical Advisor to nearly 40% of world LNG capacity
- Innovations focusing on
  - •Reduced Capex, minimising technical risk, EE and GHG, Project delivery, fast starts and robust operation.



# No More "Easy" Oil & Gas

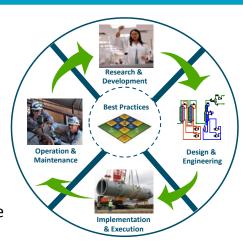
- Remote location, harsh climate
- Deep Water
- "Tight Gas"
- Depleted fields
- High N<sub>2</sub>, CO<sub>2</sub> content
- Sour gas

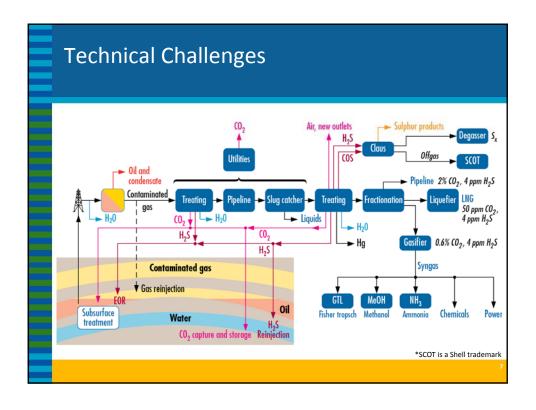


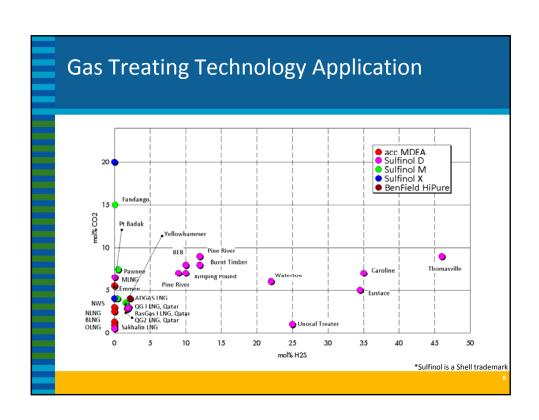
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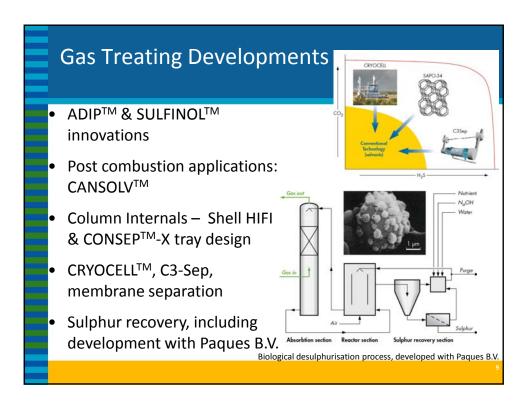
# Continuous Cycle of Improvement

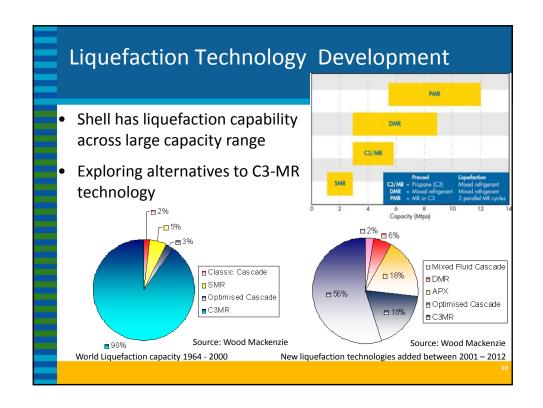
- Over 45 years through:
- Research & Development
- Design & Engineering
- Implementation & Execution
- Operation & Maintenance











# Sakhalin II - Project of "Firsts"

- First Russian LNG production plant
- First offshore oil platform,
   Molikpaq, installed on
   Russian shelf
- First of their type, PA-B platforms installed anywhere
- First access to Russian gas by Asia-pacific market



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### DMR – Dual Mixed Refrigerant Technology

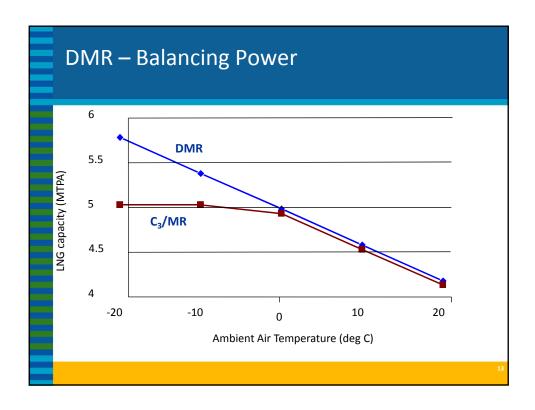
- Both refrigerant cycles use Mixed Refrigerants, which can be optimised for a wide range of Ambient T.
- DMR offers higher capacity for same driver set than C3/MR would
- Due to better balance between pre-cool and main cooling cycles in colder climates







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- •Floating LNG solutions
- •When on-shore facilities are unfavourable
- •3.5 5 Mtpa gFLNG





Circumference

**Design Draught** Displacement weight (fully loaded) Lightship weight (empty hull & topsides etc.)

74m 1 km 17.4m

600,000 metric tonnes 205,000 metric tonnes

### **Innovation in Existing LNG Plants**



### North West Shelf

- Creating vendor competition for cryogenic exchangers
- Introduction of air cooling



### Oman

- Low cost
- Production optimisation



- Extended lifetime beyond 60 years due to second rejuvenation project
- Integration with power
- Over the years, producing 140% of its original design



### Malaysia

- Debottlenecking
- First axial compressor (increasing efficiency)

# •Gas-GAME •Advanced Process Control •Automated MCHE cool-down •Remote monitoring

### **Concluding Remarks**

- Innovate throughout the value chain.
- Structured approach
- Based on identify, develop, deploy and operate cycles.
- Contributes to step change and incremental innovations.
- And successful project delivery.
- The LNG industry will continue to benefit from innovation as it evolves to meet the energy needs of the future.