



Environmental, Social, Health & Safety Audit, Chad

Project Overview

Petrenel undertook, on behalf of a major international oil & gas company and its lenders, an annual Environmental, Social, Health and Safety (ESHS) audit of their operations in Central Africa. This included an evaluation of the company's ESHS performance against IFC standards and the Equator Principles.



Petrenel's Approach

- ... Reviewed company's ESHS policies & management system, current activities and development plans
- ... Reviewed EIAs, ESHS management plans, risk assessments and contingency plans
- ... Undertook field visit and site inspection
- ... Assessed waste management practices
- ... Evaluated protection of surface and ground water, land reclamation and erosion protection
- ... Reviewed gas utilisation & greenhouse gas emissions
- ... Evaluated community relations activities and development activities including the consultation and communication process
- ... Reviewed land acquisition, compensation plan and the community grievance program
- ... Evaluated measures on the protection of biodiversity
- ... Assessed worker conditions including accommodation
- ... Identified actions to improve health & safety performance and reduce risks
- ... Identified areas of non-compliance with IFC performance standards, potential liabilities and actions to rectify these



Outcome and Client Benefit

The ESHS report included recommendations for remedial actions and further work to be undertaken to comply with the Equator Principles and IFC performance standards. The client adopted the advice and implemented an appropriate action plan. The management complimented Petrenel on its contribution towards safer operations and improving the company's environmental performance.