International Oil & Gas Law, Contracts, and Negotiations

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PART 1
From Concept to Discovery
September 26-30, 2016

- Risks of International Investments
- Confidentiality Agreements
- Ethics and Anti-Bribery Compliance
- Bidding Agreements
- AMI Agreements
- Granting Instruments
- Stabilization Issues
- Joint Operating Agreements
- JOA Accounting Procedures
- Participation (Farmout) Agreements
- Unitization Issues
- Crude Oil Lifting Agreements
- International Dispute Resolution

PART 2
From Discovery to Decommissioning
October 3-7, 2016

- International Project Development Risks
- Sanctions
- Boundary Disputes
- Seismic Contracts, Data Use & Exchange Agreements
- Unconventional Resources Development
- Crude Oil Marketing
- International Drilling and Service Contracts
- Corporate Social Responsibility & Business Ethics
- Decommissioning Issues
- Stock Purchase Agreements
- International Dispute Resolution
- Natural Gas Sales Agreements
- Natural Gas Pipeline Transportation
- Natural Gas Balancing
- LNG Project Development

These courses are limited to 100 participants each week.
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

9:00-9:15  Introductions
HARRY W. SULLIVAN, JR., International Energy Attorney, Dallas
ELIZABETH ELJURI, Chief Negotiator and Chief Legal Counsel, Sierra Oil and Gas, Mexico City

9:15-10:15  International Oil & Gas Issues and Risks of International Investment
- Overview of the international oil and gas industry
- Historical and anticipated risks and rewards inherent in the industry
CHRIS MOYES, President, Moyes & Co., Dallas

10:15-10:30  Hosted Refreshment Break

10:30-12:30  Confidentiality Agreements
- Purpose and key provisions in a confidentiality agreement
- Review of the AIPN Model Form Confidentiality Agreement, which provides protection for valuable information and data that is shared with another company
FELIPE ALICE, Partner, Morgan Lewis & Bockius LLP, Houston
ERIC FRY, Director - International Negotiations, Anadarko Petroleum Corporation, Houston

12:30-2:00  Lunch - On Your Own

2:00-4:00  Ethics and Anti-Bribery Compliance
- Bribery and corruption combated through a variety of treaties, conventions, and laws
- Business ethics and principles critical to working in the international oil and gas industry
- Traps for the unwary
JAY G. MARTIN, Vice President, Chief Compliance Officer, and Senior Deputy General Counsel, Baker Hughes Incorporated, Houston

4:00-4:15  Hosted Refreshment Break

4:15-6:00  Bidding Agreements and AMI Agreements
- Review of the AIPN Model Form Study and Bid Group Agreement, which provides a basis for companies to establish a consortium to cooperate in bidding for or acquiring oil and gas granting instruments
- Review of area of mutual interest (AMI) agreements, and their purposes and functions
ED TURNER Counsel, Exxon Mobil Corporation, Houston
HOLLY M. CHRISTIE, Associate, K&L Gates LLP, Houston

6:00-7:00  Hosted Reception

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

9:00-10:30  Granting Instruments
- Concessions
- Production sharing contracts
- Risk service contracts
- Other provisions
JENNIFER JOSEFSON, Partner, King & Spalding LLC, Moscow
JUSTIN T. STOLTE Manager, Business Development, Apache Corporation, Houston
ELIZABETH ELJURI, Chief Negotiator and Chief Legal Counsel, Sierra Oil and Gas, Mexico City

10:30-10:45  Hosted Refreshment Break

10:45-12:30  Granting Instruments (continued)

12:30-2:00  Hosted Networking Luncheon

2:00-4:00  Granting Instruments (continued)

4:00-4:15  Hosted Refreshment Break

4:15-5:30  Stabilization Issues in Granting Instruments
- Change of law as one of the main risks in the international oil and gas industry
- Stabilization as one method to address the change of law risk
JOHN P. BOWMAN, Partner, King & Spalding LLP, Houston
CAROLINA AZEREDO GUERRA, Senior Legal Counsel, Shell Oil Company, Houston

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

9:00-10:30  Joint Operating Agreements
- Rights, duties, and obligations of co-venturers in the same oil and gas contract area
- AIPN 2012 Model Form International Operating Agreement
MILES PRILLAMAN, Assistant Chief Attorney, Development, Exxon Mobil Corporation, Houston
DAVID H. SWEENIE, Partner, K&L Gates LLP, Houston

10:30-10:45  Hosted Refreshment Break

10:45-12:30  Joint Operating Agreements (continued)

12:30-2:00  Lunch - On Your Own
Part 1 – From Concept to Discovery (continued)

2:00-4:00
Joint Operating Agreements (continued)

4:00-4:15  Hosted Refreshment Break

4:15-5:30
JOA Accounting Procedures
• Accounting for and sharing of costs
BEN H. WELMAKER, JR., Attorney at Law, Houston

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

9:00-10:30
Participation (Farmout) Agreements
• A vehicle to acquire an interest in an oil and gas granting instrument by performing or paying for specified work under the granting instrument
• AIPN Model Form International Farmout Agreement
ELIZABETH ELJURI, Chief Negotiator and Chief Legal Counsel, Sierra Oil and Gas, Mexico City
MICHAEL P. DARDEN, Partner, Latham & Watkins LLP, Houston

10:30-10:45  Hosted Refreshment Break

10:45-12:30
Participation Agreements (continued)

12:30-2:00  Lunch - On Your Own

2:00-4:00
Unitization Issues
• Development of a common oil and/or gas reservoir that underlies more than one contract area (a single unit is good international oil and gas field practice)
• Mechanics of unitization
• AIPN Model Form Unitization and Unit Operating Agreement
DAVID F. ASMUS, Partner, Morgan, Lewis & Bockius LLP, Houston
STEVEN P. OTILLAR, Partner, Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP, Houston

4:00-4:15  Hosted Refreshment Break

4:15-5:30
Unitization Issues (continued)

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

9:00-10:00
Crude Oil Lifting Agreements
• How each co-venturer takes its share of oil and gas production
• AIPN Model Form Lifting Procedure
FRANK L. CASCIO, JR., Partner, Barnes & Cascio LLP, Houston
D. MARIE WAGNER, Senior Counsel-International, Anadarko Petroleum Corporation, Houston

10:00-10:15  Hosted Refreshment Break

10:15-12:15
International Dispute Resolution
• Successful resolution of disputes between parties is essential for business to succeed
• International arbitration — an impartial private method of resolving disputes
• AIPN Model Form Dispute Resolution Provisions
JOHN P. BOWMAN, Partner, King & Spalding LLP, Houston

12:15  Adjournment

PROGRAM CHAIRS:
Harry W. Sullivan, Jr., International Energy Attorney, Dallas, Texas
Elisabeth Eljuri, Vice President, Chief Negotiator, and Chief Legal Counsel, Sierra Oil & Gas Company, Mexico City, Mexico

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**MONDAY, OCTOBER 3**

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**9:15-10:15**  Overview of International Oil & Gas Issues and International Project Development Risks
- Overview of the international oil and gas industry
- Historical and anticipated risks and rewards inherent in the industry
Speaker to be announced

**10:15-10:30**  Hosted Refreshment Break

**10:30-11:30**  Sanctions
- Review of governmental sanctions that may impact international oil and gas developments
ANDREW MELSHEIMER, Partner, Thompson & Knight, Dallas

**11:30-12:30**  Boundary Disputes - UNCLOS and Cross Boundary Project Structure
- Oil and gas reservoirs underlying country borders
- When the border is not defined, there may be significant delays in exploring for oil and gas
- Review of past solutions for cross boundary developments
ANDREW MELSHEIMER, Partner, Thompson & Knight, Dallas
JUSTIN STUHLDREHER, Associate General Counsel, BHP Billiton Petroleum, Houston

**12:30-2:00**  Lunch - On Your Own

**2:00-3:00**  Seismic Contracts, Data Use, and Exchange Agreements
- Overview of the data and operations being covered by these contracts
- General discussion of the key provisions of the contracts
- Detailed discussion of some of the complexities and key negotiation issues for the contracts
TERRY TODD, Formerly Director, Global Relations, Society of Exploration Geophysicists, Tulsa

**3:00-4:00**  International Unconventional Resources Development
- Developments that have brought unconventional oil and gas resources into focus in many parts of the world
- Unique issues involved in the exploration and exploitation of unconventional resources
- How these projects differ from exploration and exploitation of conventional oil and gas resources
FRANK L. CASCIO, JR., Partner, Barnes & Cascio LLP, Houston

**4:00-4:15**  Hosted Refreshment Break

**4:15-6:00**  Crude Oil Marketing
- Selling and monetization of oil once it is produced
- Crude oil sales transactions — often done over the phone and documented through relatively simple contracts
- Importance of customs and practices
FRANK L. CASCIO, JR., Partner, Barnes & Cascio LLP, Houston
D. MARIE WAGNER, Senior Counsel-International, Anadarko Petroleum Corporation, Houston

**6:00-7:00**  Hosted Reception

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**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 4**

**9:00-10:30**  International Drilling and Service Contracts (continued)
- Services provided by service companies in support of petroleum operations under granting instruments
- Primary issues in service contracts, including warranty and cross-indemnity provisions
WILLIAM W. PUGH, Partner, Liskow & Lewis, Houston
OWEN L ANDERSON, Professor, Kay Bailey Hutchison Center for Energy, Law & Business, Houston

**10:30-10:45**  Hosted Refreshment Break

**10:45-12:30**  International Drilling and Service Contracts (continued)

**12:30-2:00**  Hosted Networking Luncheon

**2:00-4:00**  International Drilling and Service Contracts (continued)

**4:00-4:15**  Hosted Refreshment Break

**4:15-5:30**  Corporate Social Responsibility and Business Ethics
- What is involved in corporate social responsibility
- How CSR has evolved into a necessary area in international oil and gas projects
GWENDOLYN JARAMILLO, Partner, Foley Hoag LLP, San Antonio
TOUFIG P. NASSIF, President, T P Nassif and Associates LLC, Houston
Part 2 – From Discovery to Decommissioning (CONTINUED)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 5

9:00-10:15
Decommissioning Issues
• Decommissioning as an adjunct obligation to the right to develop oil and gas
• Review of contractual provisions related to decommissioning
EDUARDO G. PEREIRA, Morais Leitao, Galvao Teles, Soares da Silva & Associados, Lisbon
FELIPE ALICE, Partner, Morgan Lewis & Bockius LLP, Houston

10:15-10:30
Hosted Refreshment Break

10:30-12:30
Stock Purchase Agreements
• Selling oil and gas contracts as a common method of monetization
• Key terms and provisions of a sale
ANDREW B. DERMAN, Partner, Thompson & Knight LLP, Dallas

12:30-2:00
Lunch - On Your Own

2:00-4:00
Stock Purchase Agreements (continued)

4:00-4:15
Hosted Refreshment Break

4:15-5:30
International Dispute Resolution
• Successful resolution of disputes between parties essential for business to succeed
• International arbitration — an impartial private method of resolving disputes
• Benefits and pitfalls of arbitration
WILLIAM M. KATZ, JR., Partner, Thompson & Knight LLP, Dallas

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 6

9:00-10:00
Natural Gas Sales Agreements
• Complexities of pipeline sales of natural gas outside of established markets such as North America and Europe
• Primary terms and provisions of gas sales agreements
HARRY W. SULLIVAN, JR., International Energy Attorney, Dallas

10:00-10:15
Hosted Refreshment Break

10:15-12:15
Natural Gas Sales Agreements (continued)

12:15
Adjournment

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 7

9:00-10:00
LNG Project Development (continued)

10:00-10:15
Hosted Refreshment Break

10:15-12:15
LNG Project Development (continued)

12:15
Adjournment

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ELISABETH ELJURI is Chief Negotiator and Chief Legal Counsel for Sierra Oil and Gas in Mexico City. Formerly, she was Head of Latin America for the global firm Norton Rose Fullbright, where she focused on corporate and transactional work involving high-end sophisticated transactions for major energy companies as well as international dispute work related to energy, projects, and infrastructure. Over the past two decades she has been regularly advising oil and gas producers and service companies engaged in transactions across the region. She has worked in the energy business in Venezuela, Mexico, Colombia, Peru, Guatemala, Bolivia, Argentina, Guyana, and other Latin American countries. She has been particularly active in the Mexican energy sector over the past 15 years. Major deals she has handled include acquisitions of hydrocarbon companies and producing areas, upstream contract negotiations, a crude oil storage and ship loading project, and several of the world's largest gas injection projects. She has extensive experience in profit/production sharing agreements, JOAs, JSBAs, farmouts, gas licenses, and upstream joint venture companies; as well as midstream and downstream related and major projects. On the dispute side, she frequently acts as counsel in international arbitrations, including ICC and ICSID procedures. She has also been retained as an independent expert in international arbitrations and court proceedings and has spoken and published extensively in the area of energy and resources investment disputes and investment treaty law as well as political risk management in such industries. Elisabeth is a Past President of the AIPN. She is actively committed to legal education, is a co-chair and instructor of the International Oil and Gas Short Courses held in Houston every year, and also presents courses on subjects of interest for the energy community upon her client's request. Chambers ranks Elisabeth in Band 1 for the entire Latin America region, and Star Individual for Venezuela. For a number of years now, Who's Who in Oil and Gas has selected Elisabeth as one of the top 10 energy practitioners worldwide. Elisabeth received her law degree from Universidad Católica and an LLM from Harvard Law School. She is both a civil law and a common law lawyer (admitted in New York and Venezuela).

HARRY W. SULLIVAN, JR., is an International Energy Attorney based in Dallas, Texas, where he is an Adjunct Professor at SMU's Dedman School of Law and at Texas A&M School of Law. He also works for Kosmos Energy in their West Africa exploration activities. His previous experience includes fourteen years as Senior Counsel-International in the International E&P Legal Group of ConocoPhillips, Of Counsel with Thompson & Knight LLP, fifteen years as Chief Counsel-International and Senior Counsel for Atlantic Richfield Company and five years as Senior Counsel for Sun Oil Company. Mr. Sullivan has a J.D. degree from Louisiana State University School of Law and an LLM. degree from Southern Methodist University's Dedman School of Law. He is licensed to practice law in the states of Louisiana and Texas and before the Supreme Court of the United States, and he is Board Certified in Oil, Gas and Mineral Law in Texas. He is also admitted as a Solicitor in England and Wales. His practice and experience focuses on the upstream and midstream oil and gas industry, both in the U.S.A. and internationally, in more than 25 different countries.

Speakers

FELIPE ALICE is a partner in the Houston office of Morgan Lewis & Bockius LLP, and a member of its Corporate and Business Transactions Practice. Mr. Alice focuses his practice on local and international energy transactions and infrastructure projects covering energy, finance and corporate issues involving complex contracts, corporate restructuring, and project finance. Prior to joining Morgan Lewis, Mr. Alice was a foreign legal advisor at an international law firm, where he focused on local and international energy and infrastructure projects. Mr. Alice earned his LL.M. in international law from the University of Texas at Austin in 2004. He earned a specialization in international law 2001 and his LL.B. in 1999, both from the Federal University of Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil. Mr. Alice is admitted to practice in Texas, Brazil, New York, and in England and Wales as a Solicitor. Portuguese is his first language, and he is fluent in English and Spanish.

OWEN L. ANDERSON began teaching full time at the University of Texas School of Law in Austin in January 2016, serving as a Professor at the Kay Bailey Hutchison Center for Energy, Law & Business, where he has taught as a part-time secondee since 2008. He is the Eugene Kuntz Chair Emeritus in Law in Oil, Gas & Natural Resources and the George Lynn Cross Research Professor Emeritus at the University of Oklahoma. He continues to regularly teach at the University of Melbourne and the University of Sydney. Professor Anderson has lectured at numerous other universities and venues on six continents and throughout the United States. He has authored over 100 articles. He is a co-author of International Petroleum Transactions, Hemingway Oil and Gas Law and Taxation, Cases and Materials on Oil & Gas Law, and A Student's Guide to Estates in Land and Future Interests. He is an arbitrator of the International Petroleum Negotiators, where he serves as form and style editor of AIPN Model Contracts; a life member of the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws; a member of the American Law Institute; an honorary trustee of the Rocky Mountain Mineral Law Foundation; and a trustee of the Energy and Mineral Law Foundation. He is an arbitrator and consultant on oil and gas law and policy.

DAVID F. ASMUS is the leader of the Energy Transactions Practice at Morgan, Lewis & Bockius LLP in Houston. Mr. Asmus focuses his practice on oil and gas development projects (including LNG and unconventional resource projects, FPSO and platform-based offshore developments, and integrated field development, pipeline, and processing projects), acquisitions and divestitures (including auction and negotiated sales and property exchanges), and energy-based financings (including project financings, reserve-based loans, and production payments). Mr. Asmus has experience with the structuring, documentation, and negotiation of oil and gas transactions that range from host government arrangements, farm-ins, and acquisitions to shareholder agreements, operating agreements, and unitizations to EPC, production handling, transportation, and sales contracts and financing arrangements. Mr. Asmus has served as the president, the secretary, and a member of the board of directors of the Association of International Petroleum Negotiators (AIPN), chaired the AIPN/ACCA committee that revised the Model Form International Operating Agreement in 1995, and co-chaired and served as lead drafter for the AIPN 2006 Model Form International Unitization and Unit Operating Agreement. Mr. Asmus is the immediate past Chair of the Institute for Energy Law.

CAROLINA AZEREDO GUERRA is a Senior Legal Counsel with Shell in Houston, with more than fifteen years of experience in the oil and gas industry. She has experience in handling the full hydrocarbon exploration life-cycle (conventional and unconventional) and associated transactional work across various international
and other midstream and downstream agreements. She began her agreements; farmouts, farmins and other joint venture agreements operational matters and projects, including joint and unit operating Africa, Europe, and North America, and spans a number of Her experience includes deals on several continents, including acquisitions, joint ventures and project development. Her jurisdiction responsibilities include working with many countries around the globe, with strong focus in Latin America. Carolina is admitted to the New York (USA) and Rio de Janeiro (Brazil) Bar, and also a member of the Association of International Petroleum Negotiators (AIPN). She has a law degree from the Pontificia Universidade Católica do Rio de Janeiro and a L.L.M. degree from the University of Houston, and is fluent in English, Portuguese and Spanish.

JOHN P. BOWMAN is a Partner with King & Spalding LLP in Houston, where he is engaged in an arbitration and litigation practice representing primarily international oil companies and service companies in a wide range of commercial and investment disputes. He is a frequent writer and speaker on international arbitration and international oil and gas topics. He is a Past President of the Association of International Petroleum Negotiators (2014-2015) and a former member of the governing Council of the Texas State Bar Oil, Gas and Energy Resources Law Section. Increasingly, he is called upon to assist IOCs and international NOCs design, draft, negotiate, and assess stabilization mechanisms and dispute resolution provisions in upstream and project agreements with host governments and NOCs. Mr. Bowman is an Adjunct Professor for International Arbitration at the University of Oklahoma College of Law and for International Energy Arbitration at Georgetown University Law Center. The Inter-American Commercial Arbitration Commission recognized Mr. Bowman for his contribution to education concerning the Panama Convention at its conference in Panama City celebrating the Convention's 40th Anniversary in May 2015. Mr. Bowman is a member of the Advisory Boards of the Institute for Transnational Arbitration and the Institute for Energy Law. He is a Fellow of the College of Commercial Arbitrators and of The Chartered Institute of Arbitrators. He received his J.D. from the University of Kansas School of Law in 1980, where he was Editor-in-Chief of the Kansas Law Review.

FRANK L. CASCIO, JR. is a partner in the firm of Barnes & Cascio LLP in Houston, Texas, where he is engaged in a transactional and negotiation practice representing both large and small energy companies. He has more than 41 years of experience negotiating and advising companies on upstream and midstream oil and gas acquisitions, divestiture, operations, financing, and related transactions and activities, focusing on upstream and midstream projects in the Far East and western Africa. He is licensed to practice law in Texas and Louisiana; he holds a bachelor's degree in history and a J.D. from Louisiana State University. Mr. Cascio is a frequent lecturer at conferences and meetings worldwide on international energy transactions and negotiation.

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MICHAEL P. DARDEN is a partner in the Corporate Department at Latham & Watkins LLP in Houston, head of Latham's Oil and Gas Transactions Practice Group, and co-chair of Latham's Oil and Gas Industry Team. His practice focuses on international and U.S. oil and gas ventures (including LNG, deep-water and unconventional resource development projects); international and U.S. infrastructure projects; asset acquisitions and divestitures; and energy-based financings (including project financings, reserve-based loans, and production payments). Mr. Darden has worked extensively on petroleum projects both within and outside the U.S., in all regions of the world. He has been involved in petroleum projects at all stages, working with governments, operators, industry partners, contractors, suppliers, lenders and insurers. He is the author of the Monograph entitled Legal Research Checklist for International Petroleum Operations published by the American Bar Association, as well as numerous papers that have been published or that he has presented at various seminars and conferences. He has been an instructor at the International Energy Law, Contracts and Negotiations Short Course co-sponsored by the Rocky Mountain Mineral Law Foundation, the Institute for Energy Law and the Association of International Petroleum Negotiators, for each year of its existence. Mr. Darden is a member of the Association of International Petroleum Negotiators, in which he has served as an officer, director and committee chairman, was co-chair of the committee that developed the model form international farmout agreement, and is co-chair of the committee that is revising the model form international farmout agreement.

VERA DE GYARFAS is a Partner in the Global Transactions Practice Group at King & Spalding in Houston. Ms. De Gyarfas’ practice is focused on energy projects in Latin America and Africa representing companies in upstream E&P projects, LNG and other gas projects, power companies in the construction of generation, transmission and distribution facilities, and petrochemical companies in the development of specialized plants under joint ventures, profit sharing agreements, operating services agreements, EPC contracts, and oilfield service contracts. Ms. De Gyarfas’ expertise in LNG involves the negotiation and drafting of host government and other investment agreements, analysis of existing regulation and Government negotiations, LNG sales and purchase agreements, gas supply agreements and terminal usage agreements, among others. Ms. De Gyarfas is a Member of the Association of International Petroleum Negotiators (AIPN) and part of its Latin America Regional Executive Committee. Ms. De Gyarfas is ranked by Chambers Global as a Leading Individual in the (i) Energy and Natural Resource Foreign Expert category, and (ii) Venezuela.

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