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# **Hydrocarbon Potential in Morocco:**

# Outstanding Opportunities in Underexplored Basins

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**Country key aspects** 

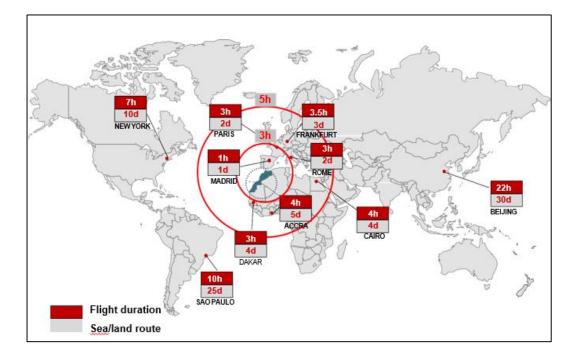
**Hydrocarbon Exploration Outlook** 

**Potential Petroleum Systems** 

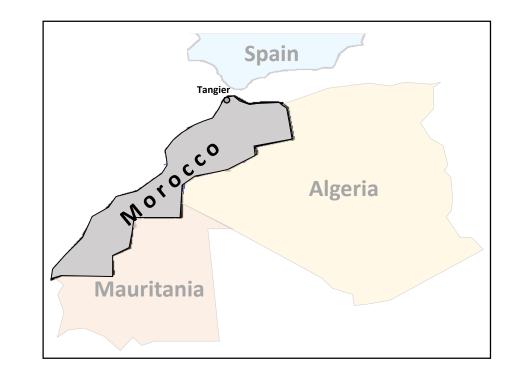
**Basins Analogs** 

**Examples of untested Plays, Leads & Prospects** 

# **Morocco Incentives**



- A unique geographic location with 3 500 Km coastline on the Atlantic Ocean and the Mediterranean sea
- 15 Km distance from Europe



- 1st in North Africa in terms of infrastructure quality
- 14 foreign trade ports and 18 airports
- Tangier Med Port: A growing global connectivity with 174 ports and 74 countries

# **MOROCCO: A FAST GROWING ECONOMY**



## **General Information**

Capital	Rabat
Institutional System	Democratic and social Constitutional Monarchy
Area	710 850 km²
Time Zone	GMT+1

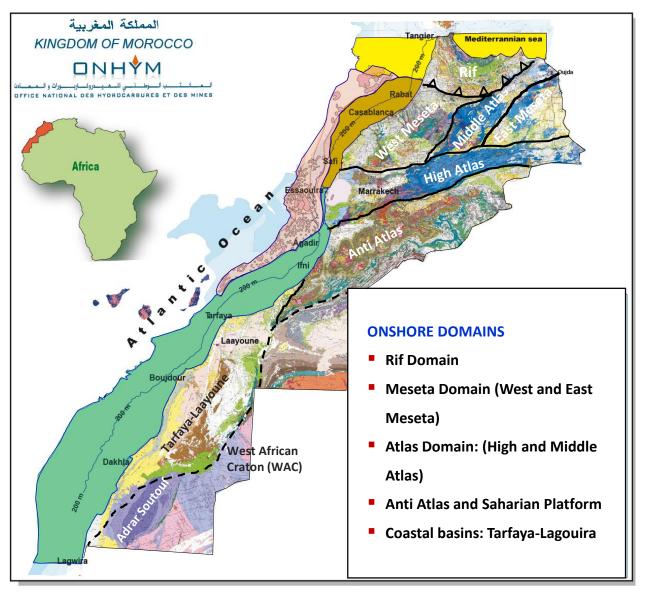
Population: 35.5 million

- Language: Arabic, Amazigh, French, Spanish and English
- Primary Energy Consumption : 20 million TOE
- Dependency on imports : 96 %
- Net energy bill : 8.77 billion \$ (2018)
- 2030 energy consumption forecast : 43 million TOE
- GDP: 120 billion \$
- Growth: +3.2 %
- Inflation rate: 2 %
- Foreign Direct Investment: 3.3 billion \$
- Currency: Moroccan Dirham (MAD) 1 US \$ = 9.65 MAD

# **OFFSHORE & ONSHORE MOROCCO: GEOLOGICAL SNAPSHOT**

# Main onshore structural domains and associated Petroleum Objectives

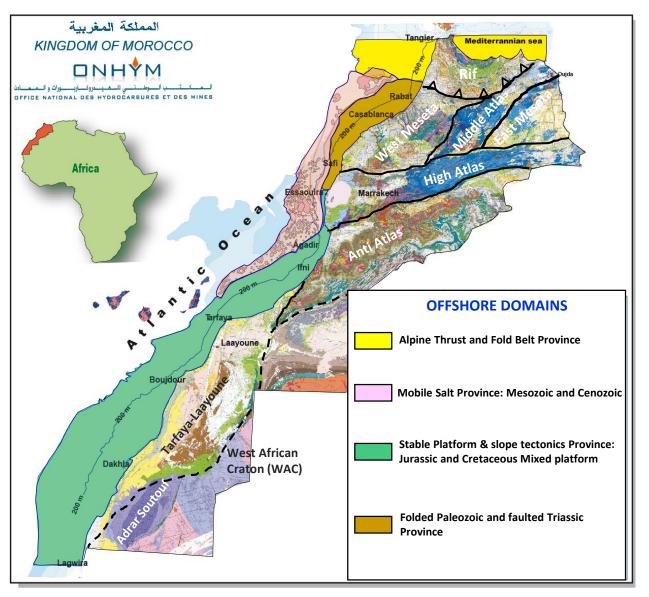
- The Rif Domain: Alpine folded and thrust belt (Mesozoic and Tertiary Objectives)
- The Meseta Domain: Hercynian Folded & thrust belt and Meso-Cenozoic rift & Passive margin (Paleozoic, Triassic and Jurassic objectives)
- The Atlas Domain: Early Mesozoic Tethysian Rift and Alpine Inverted and Folded belt (Triassic and Jurassic objectives)
- The Anti Atlas and Saharian Platform: Hercynian domain (Paleozoic objectives)
- The Coastal basins: Atlantic Mesozoic-Cenozoic Passive Margin (Triassic, Jurassic, Cretaceous and Tertiary objectives)



# **OFFSHORE & ONSHORE MOROCCO: GEOLOGICAL SNAPSHOT**

# Main offshore structural domains and associated Petroleum Objectives

- Alpine thrust and folded belt province: Extension of the Rif domain (Jurassic, Cretaceous and Tertiary Objectives)
- Folded Paleozoic and faulted Triassic Province: Extension of the Meseta (Paleozoic and Triassic Objectives)
- Mobile salt province: Mesozoic Atlantic Rift & Passive Margin (Triassic, Jurassic, Cretaceous and Tertiary Objectives)
- Platform and Deep Marine Province: Mesozoic Atlantic Rift & Passive Margin (Jurassic, Cretaceous and Tertiary Objectives)



# **OFFSHORE & ONSHORE MOROCCO : HYDROCARBON EXPLORATION STATUS**

### **SEISMIC & WELLS DATABASE**

## **Offshore Atlantic**

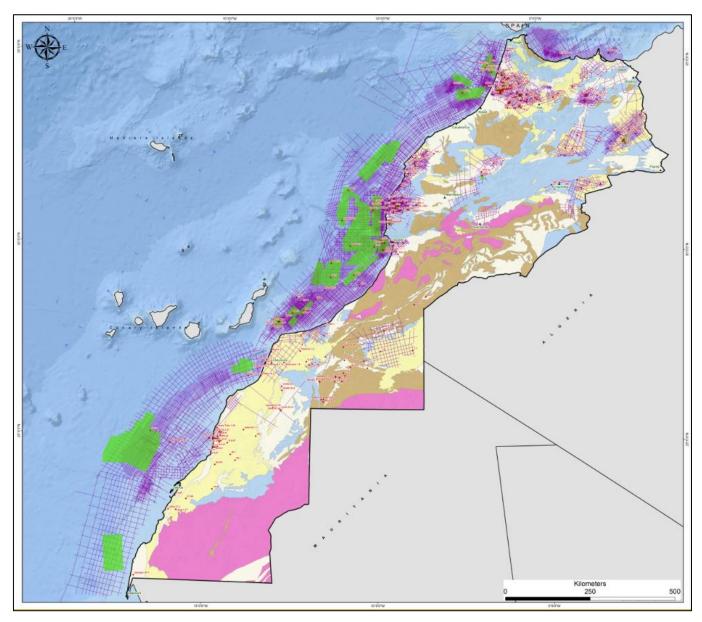
- 2D Seismic: 164 808 Km
- 3D Seismic: 70 242 Km<sup>2</sup>
- **2D** Multi-clients: **13 195.9** Km
- 42 exploration wells

### **Offshore Mediterranean**

- 2D Seismic: 10 745 Km
- 2 Exploration wells

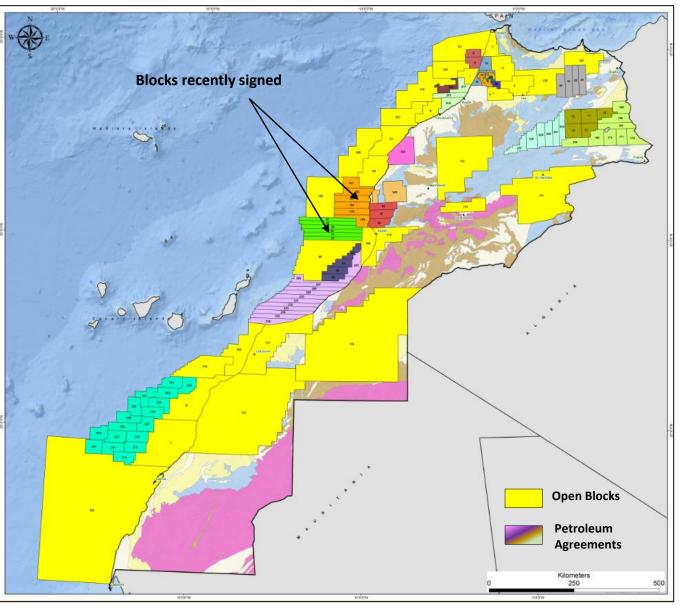
### Onshore

- 2D Seismic: 56 808 Km
- 3D Seismic: 2 192 Km<sup>2</sup>
- 316 Exploration wells



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## **E&P ACTIVITIES**



Main ongoing Exploration Activities in Offshore & Onshore **Morocco:** 

#### **Partners**

- 3D & 2D seismic processing
- G&G Evaluation of the Areas of Interest
- Drilling activity in the Rharb onshore Basin (9/12 in 2019-2020)
- Mid stream project

#### **ONHYM**

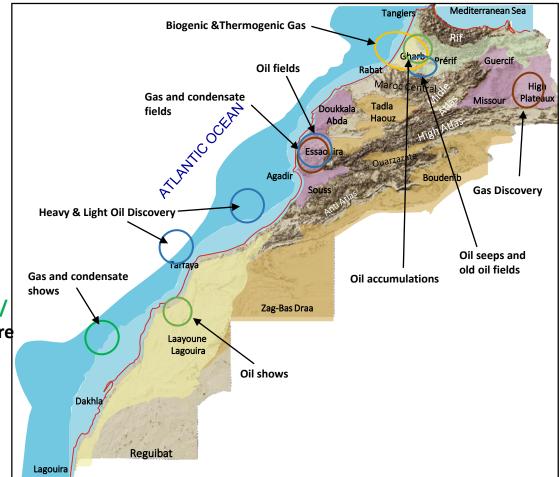
- **Reservoir distribution studies & geochemical** modelling
- **G&G** Evaluation of the open blocks
- Data room organization in ONHYM Offices (12 data room in 2019)

#### **PROJECTS ONHYM/E&P INDUSTRY PARTNERS**

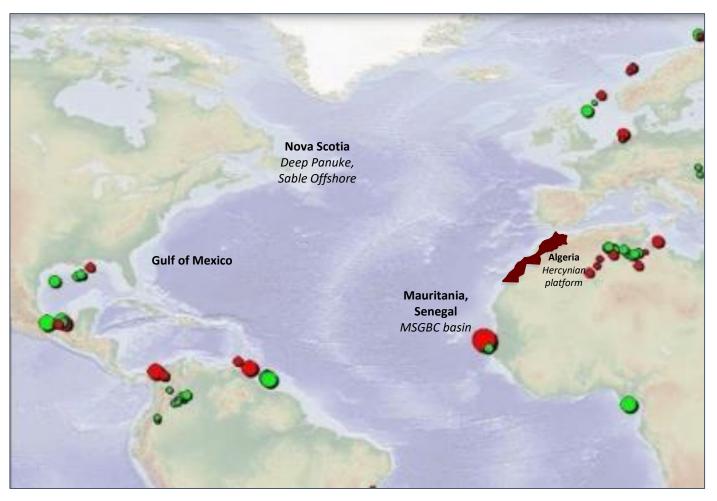
- **Cooperation with universities and Groups of Research** (NARG, IMMAGE, Colorado School of Mines, ...)
- **Cooperation with OERA & DOEM from Nova Scotia**
- Seismic Reservoir Characterization in Offshore Agadir (CGG)

 The petroleum systems are widely extended in stratigraphic time from Paleozoic into Tertiary. These are proven in the Onshore and Offshore Moroccan sedimentary basins through hydrocarbon occurrences (discoveries, shows, surface oil seeps). The main peers are:

- Palaeozoic petroleum systems (Silurian/Triassic & Silurian/ Ordovician-Devonian): e.g. Meskala gas & condensate field and High Plateaux gas discovery
- Jurassic petroleum systems (Toarcian-Callovian/ Jurassic): e.g. oil fields in the rides prerifaines & Essaouira and oil discovery in the Offshore
- Lower cretaceous petroleum systems (Jurassic-Lw. Cretaceous/ Lw. Cretaceous): e.g. oil and gas shows encountered in Offshore Atlantic
- Upper cretaceous petroleum systems (Cenomanian-Turonian/Upper Cretaceous-Tertiary): e.g. Ain Hamra oil accumulation and oil shows in the Onshore
- Tertiary petroleum systems (Tertiary/Tertiary): e.g. biogenic gas fields in Gharb basin

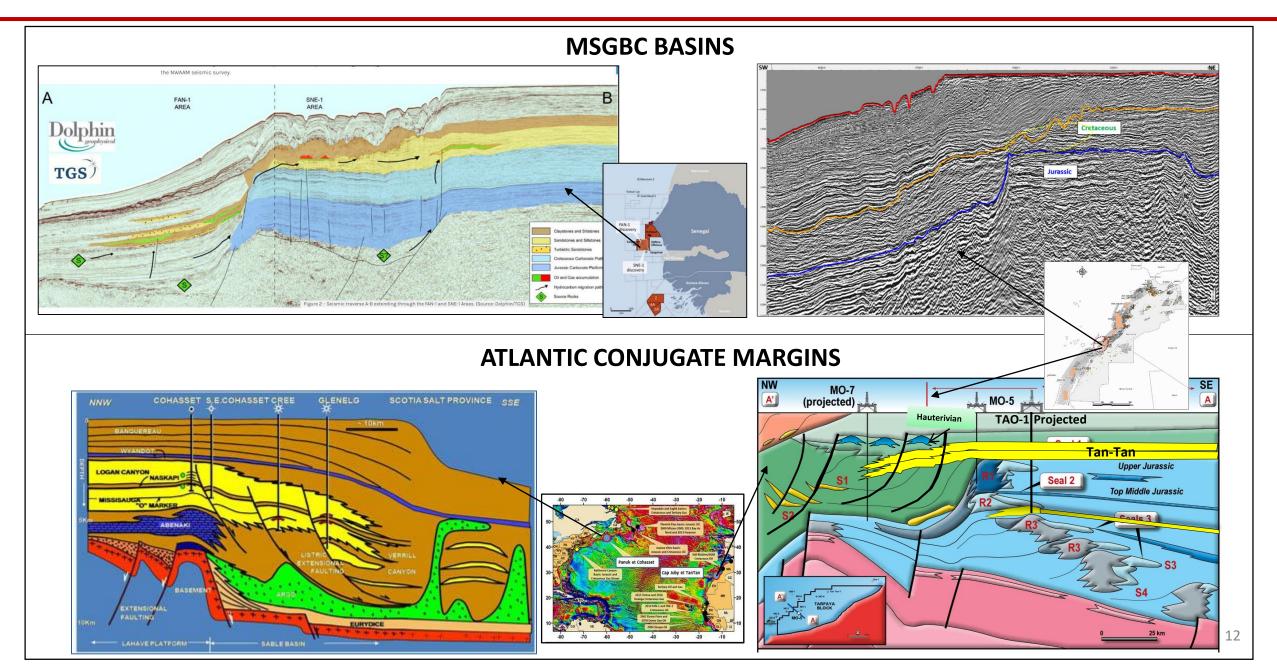


# **ANALOGIES WITH MAJOR RECENT DISCOVERIES**



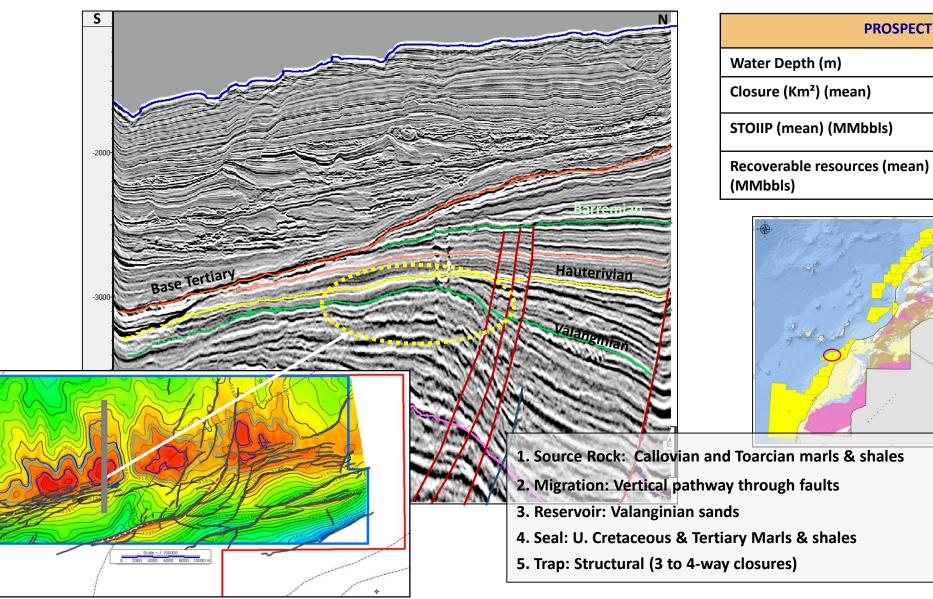
- Morocco basins have analogies with many recent discoveries and some of the biggest producing fields in the world.
- Continuity of the Algerian Triassic Province and the Saharan Hercynian platform in Eastern Morocco.
- Morocco is part of the Atlantic Mesozoic -Cenozoic Passive Margin where recent big discoveries have been made (MSGBC Basin).
- Nova Scotia analogies : Sable basin and Deep Panuke field.
- Gulf of Mexico in terms of salt tectonics.

## **ANALOGIES WITH MAJOR RECENT DISCOVERIES**



# **OFFSHORE ATLANTIC MOROCCO : SLOPE ROLLOVER PLAY**

## LARGE VALANGINIAN 4-WAY CLOSURE WITH GAS PIPES



1250

43

1,556

470

## LOWER CRETACEOUS SALT RELATED STRUCTURE (UNTESTED OBJECTIVES)

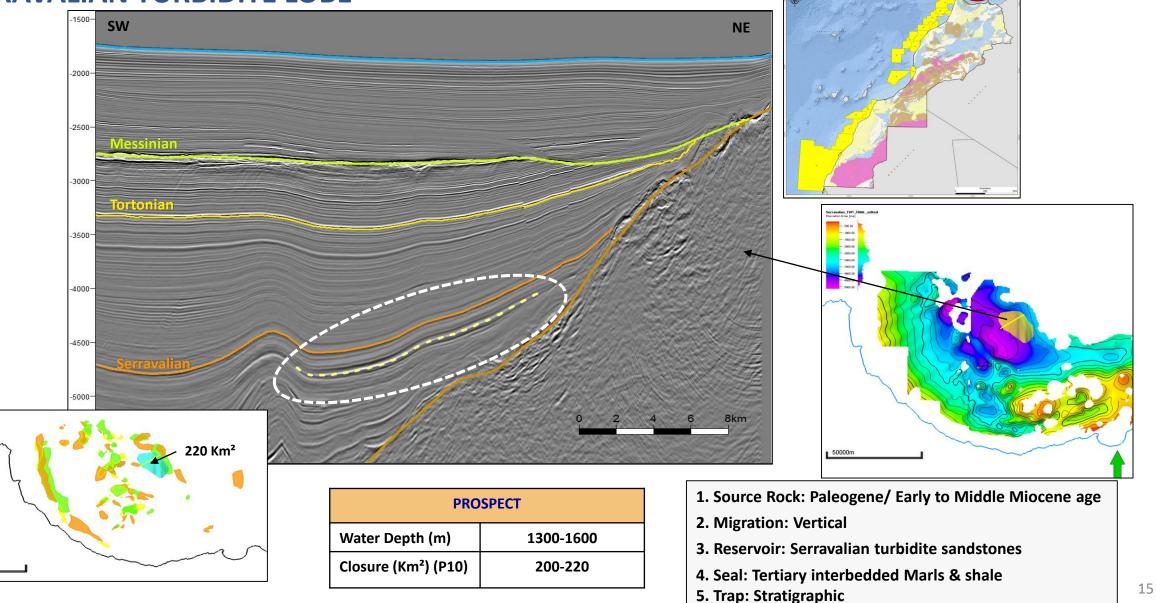
Sand bearing Inverted minibasins would be the focus in the next phase of the exploration in the salt province (example of Apto-Albian fan complex).

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PROSPECT		Intel 1000 2000 3000 23000 177-050   W PSTM Near Angle Stack E I 177-050
Water Depth (m)	975	55174500
Closure (Km²) (P10)	57	
P mean Resources (MMBO)	871	
		Apto-Albian Objective Apto-Albian Objective Barremian Unc 1. Source Rock: Lower Jurassic marls & carbonates 2. Migration: Vertical salt welds 3. Reservoir : Aptian-Albian turbidite sandstones 4. Seal: Tertiary shale and Upper Cretaceous MTC 5. Trap: Structural

# **OFFSHORE MEDITERRANEAN MOROCCO : HYDROCARBON PLAYS**

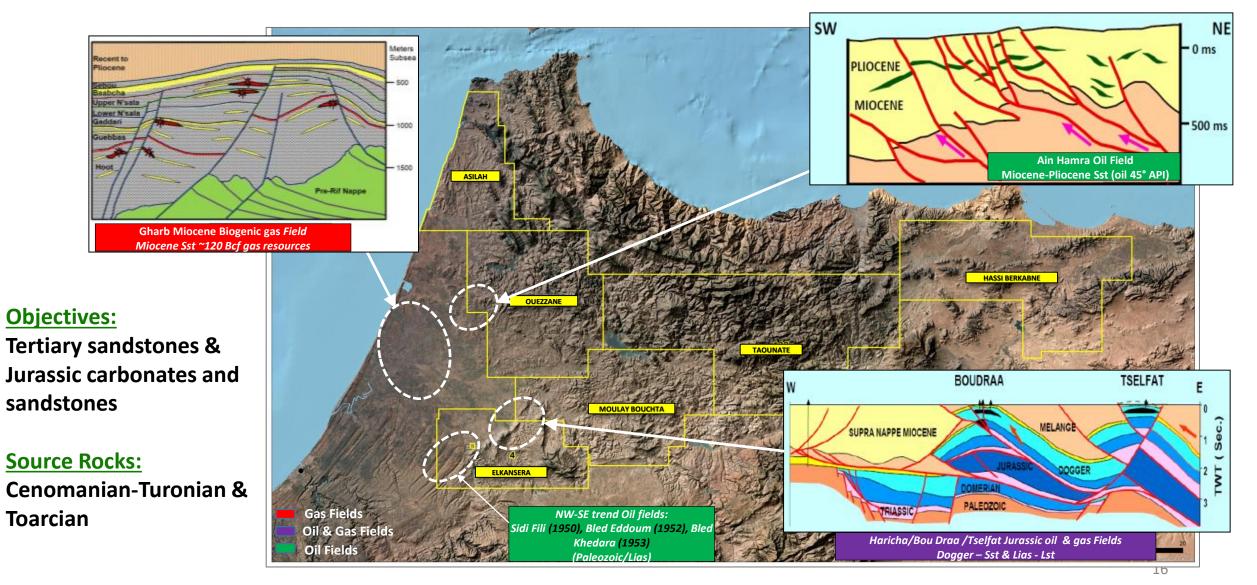
## **SERRAVALIAN TURBIDITE LOBE**

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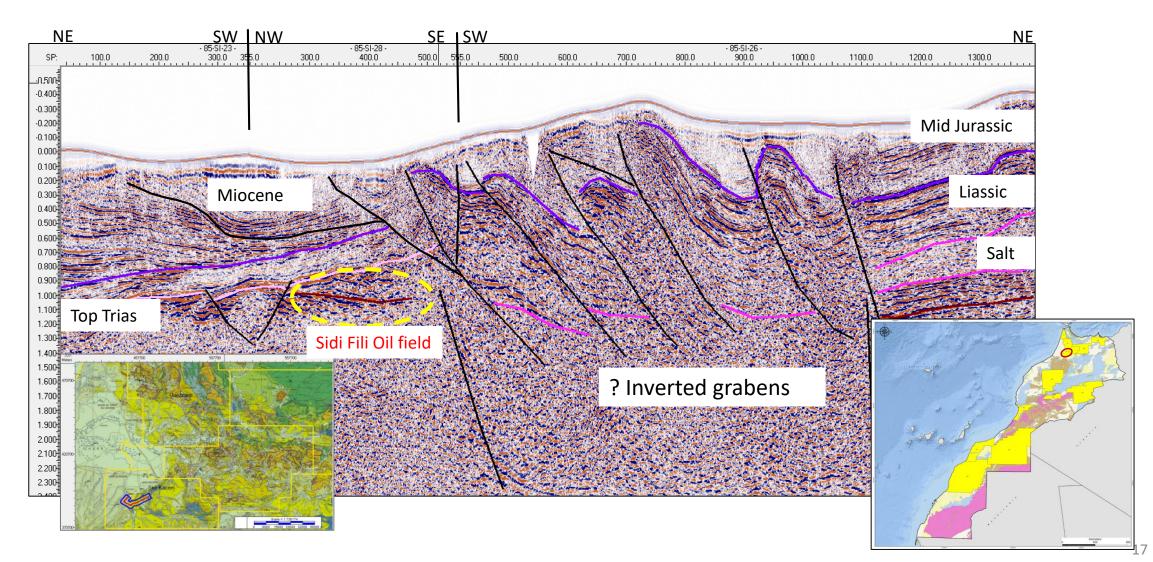


## **ONSHORE MOROCCO : HYDROCARBON PLAYS**

## WORKING/PROVEN PLAYS IN THE PRE-RIF BASIN



## **OVERTHRUST AND SUBTHRUST UNTESTED STRUCTURES**



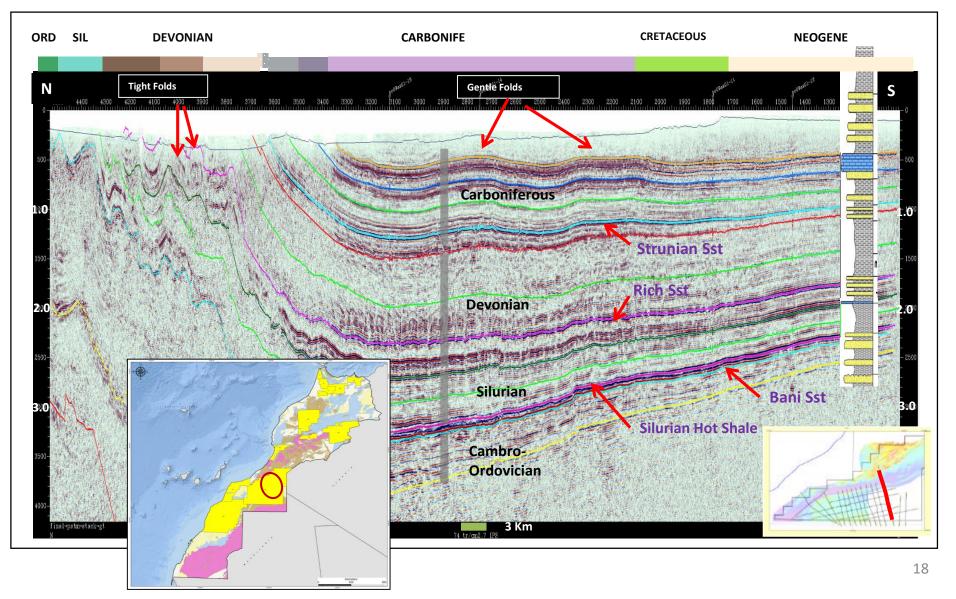
## PALAEOZOIC STRUCTURES (UNTESTED OBJECTIVES)

#### **Objectives:**

Strunian sandstones & Lower Devonian sandstones (Rich formation) & Ordovician sandstones (Bani formation)

## Source Rocks: Silurian hot shales and Frasnian shales

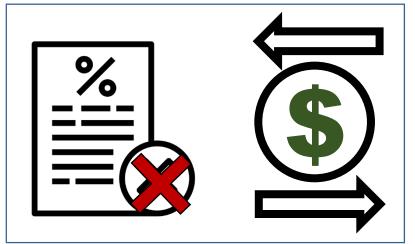
Total Gas Recoverable Resources (Lower Carboniferous and Lower Devonian) : 1.45 TCF



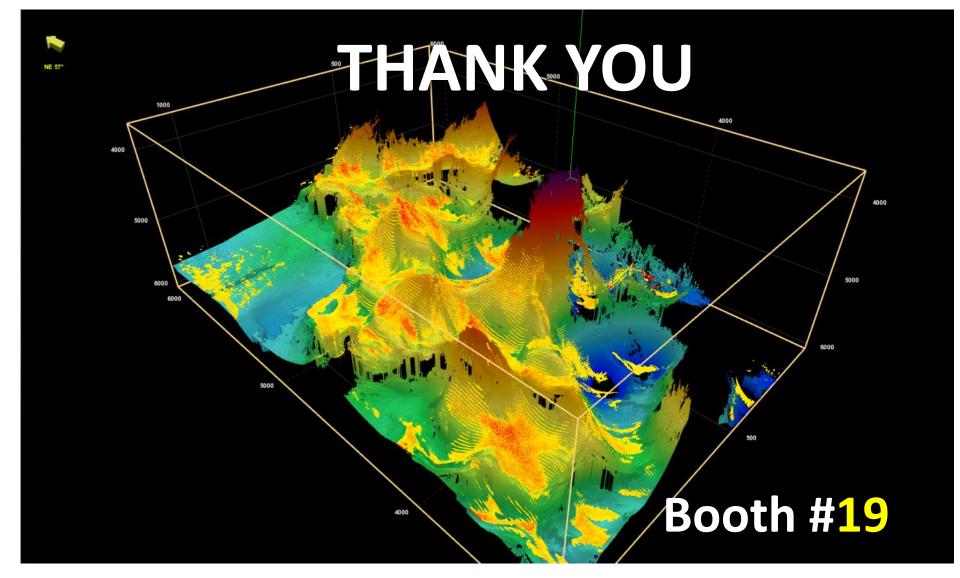
# **MOROCCO HYDROCARBON EXPLORATION INCENTIVES**

- Favourable Geology for oil and gas exploration and production
- Still largely underexplored onshore and offshore basins
- Play concepts with analogues to those identified in North Africa, Nova Scotia, West Africa and the Gulf of Mexico
- Myriad of prospects and leads. The so far drilled wells have discovered modest local hydrocarbon to prove existence of working petroleum systems
- Favourable and attractive terms
- An easy place to operate and an outstanding opportunities.









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