



## GDF SUEZ : building an intelligent user's position

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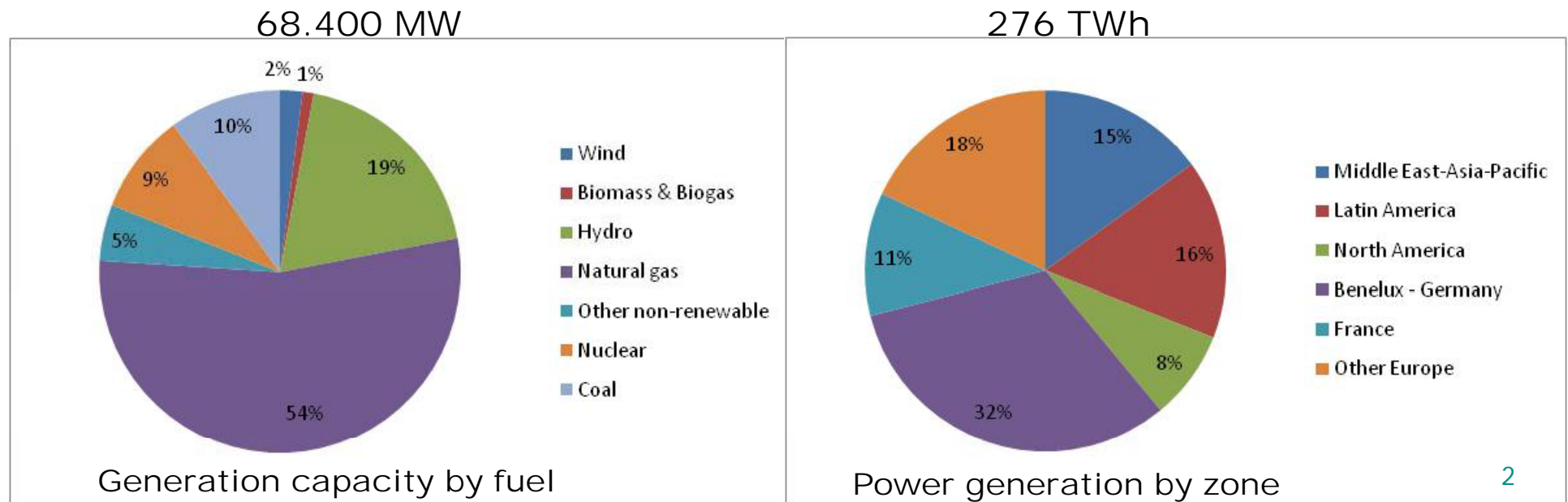


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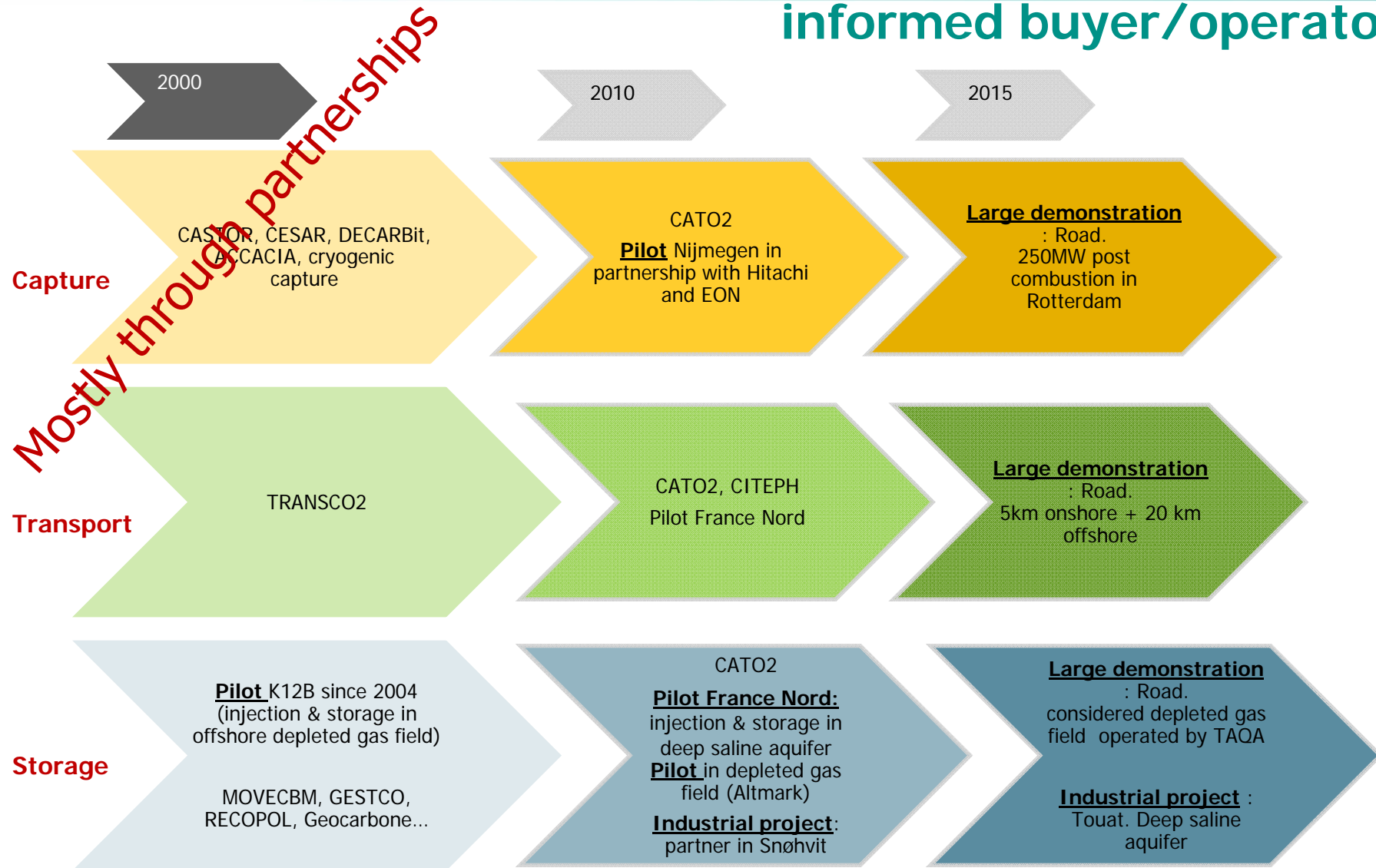
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# GDF SUEZ : a world leader in energy

- Diversified GAS supply portfolio : 1 235 TWh  $\cong$  110 Gm<sup>3</sup>  
with sourcing in > 10 countries
- Balanced POWER generation mix



# Building a position of informed buyer/operator



# CO<sub>2</sub> injection & storage in K12-B (NL) 2004 - ongoing

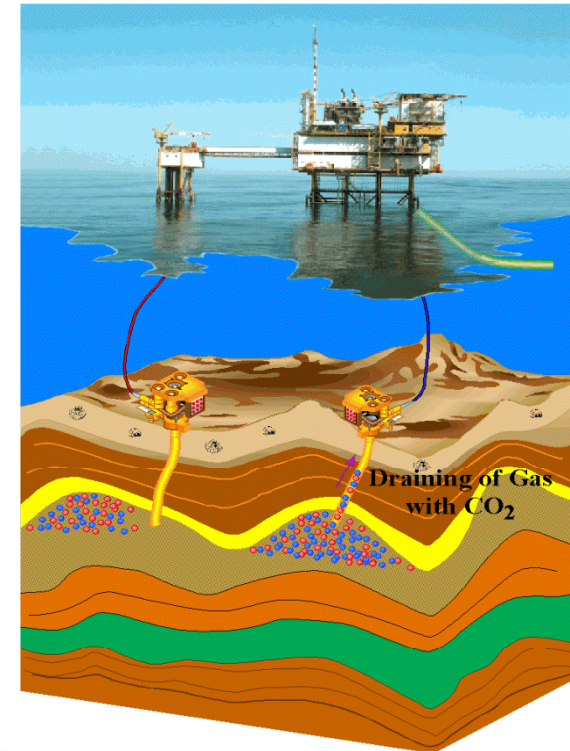
**Partners: Dutch Ministry of Economic affairs, TNO, GDF SUEZ - DEP**

- ▶ Injection and storage in a nearly depleted natural gas field at a depth of almost 4000m
- ▶ Started in 2004 (CO<sub>2</sub> is separated from natural gas and used to be vented to the atmosphere before the injection project)
- ▶ Testing feasibility of CO<sub>2</sub> injection & EGR potential
- ▶ Studying well integrity & injectivity and CO<sub>2</sub> behavior in the reservoir,
- ▶ Monitoring & numerical simulation
- ▶ Since the start of the project, more than 80 000 tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> injected in the reservoir



## ENCOURAGING RESULTS

- Good injectivity despite relatively low permeability
- CO<sub>2</sub> injection without problems and as predicted
- Operational performances could be accurately modelled and understood
- EGR in terms of pressure support

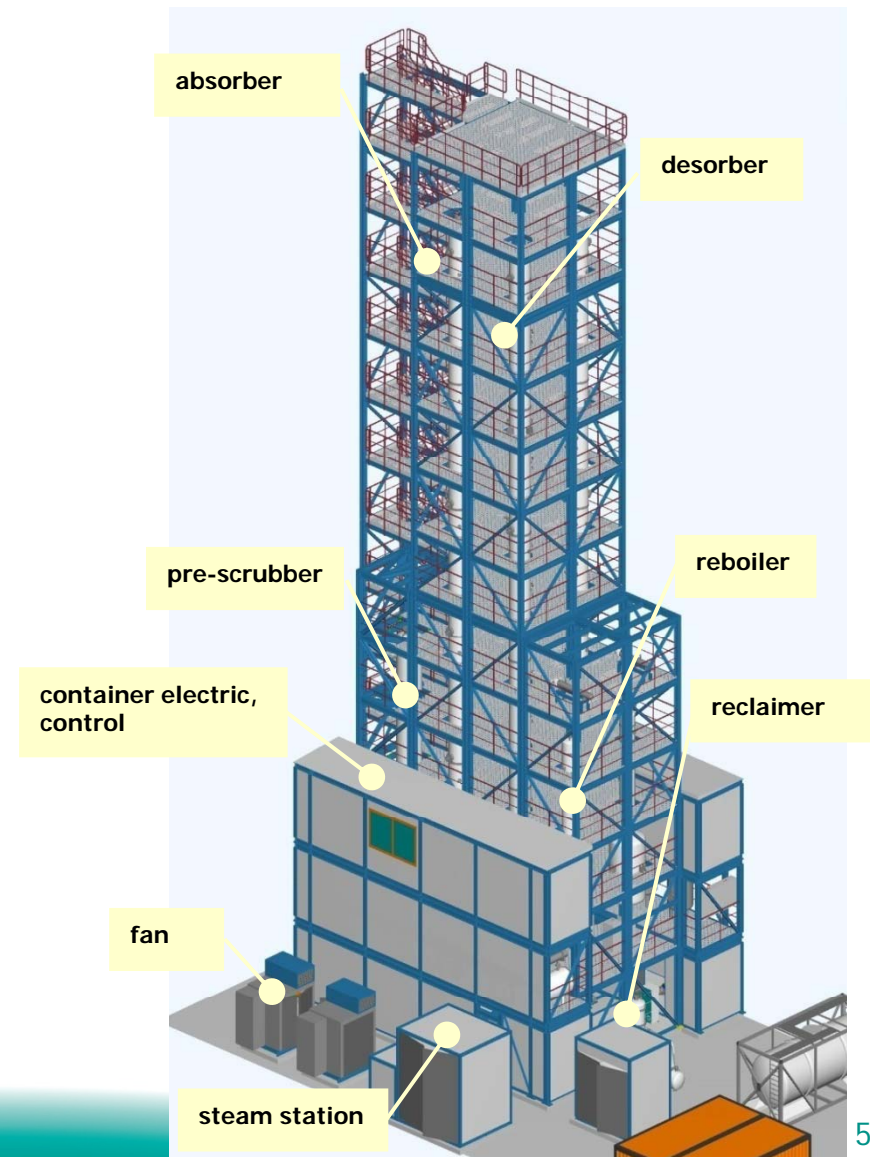




## Mobile pilot plant for CO<sub>2</sub> capture

Partners: HPE, E.ON, GDF SUEZ – Electrabel

- Design, build and operate a test facility to investigate the behaviour of different solvents in the process of CO<sub>2</sub> capture from flue gases
- Main objectives:
  - Acquiring operational experience
  - Lowering the energy consumption
  - Assessing the environmental impact
- Operational end 2010 → 2014  
at EBL and E.ON sites → mobile pilot plant  
First 2 years at EBL power plant  
in Nijmegen (NL)
- Real flue gas conditions:  
5000 Nm<sup>3</sup>/h ~ 5 MW<sub>th</sub> (≈ CASTOR)



# EEPR proposal Rotterdam

## Electrabel / E.ON - "ROAD" 2015

### CAPTURE

Post combustion capture unit **250 MWe** equivalent

Captured CO<sub>2</sub>: **1,1 Mton/y**  
(90% capture rate)

Power output penalty:  
aprox. **65 MW**

- 2010: Substantial commitments
- 2015: Whole chain operational (capture, transport, storage)
- Feed studies ongoing



### TRANSPORT

GDF Suez E&P Nederland is preferred sub contractor for the pipeline

- 16" pipeline (4 km onshore and 21 km offshore)
- Transport capacity is 5 Mton/yr (dense CO<sub>2</sub>)
- Pipeline design:
  - Operating pressure 20 – 150 bar
  - Operating temperature 20 – 110 °C

### STORAGE

TAQA is preferred sub contractor for storage.

Storage capacity in the P18/A field estimated at ~ 25 Mton

- Fields at a depth of 3500 m
- Original pressure 350 bar, pressure after gas production estimated 30 bar
- No EGR foreseen



1. Partnership are valuable & necessary to share costs and risks
2. High CAPEX & OPEX while :
  - a) Uncertainty on future cost of CO2
  - b) Impact of renewable on the Power Plants merit order
3. Public perception will be determining for the deployment: impact of the first demonstration projects
4. How will the supplier's market keep the momentum while buyers await the results of the first demonstration projects?

## A stable, long-term framework must be in place to create strategic alignment for CCS(\*)

Key requirements for the development and implementation of CCS are:

- ▶ Suitable geological conditions for CO<sub>2</sub> storage
- ▶ Implementation of the Storage Directive in Member States
- ▶ A sound business case
- ▶ Public and political support



***Industry is willing to develop and implement CCS as a critical carbon mitigation technology if all requirements are fulfilled***

(\*) source ZEP Working group



- ▶ CCS is **promising technology (for 60 – 100 yrs, during energy transition towards post fossil fuel )** to efficiently combat climate change
- ▶ GDF SUEZ will continue its efforts in **R&D and pilot projects** in order to assess and improve technical and economic feasibility of CCS, and in particular to lower energy penalty
- ▶ **Demo projects** are necessary to test technologies at industrial scale: GDF SUEZ welcomes EU and MS initiatives and is assessing at present its possibilities to participate in demo program
- ▶ GDF SUEZ is committed to **assess feasibility of CCS for its new fossil fuels fired power plants**, to take adequate measures (capture readiness) if appropriate and under specific circumstances considers the technical and economic feasibility of CO<sub>2</sub> storage for its E&P activities : e.g. TOUATGAZ

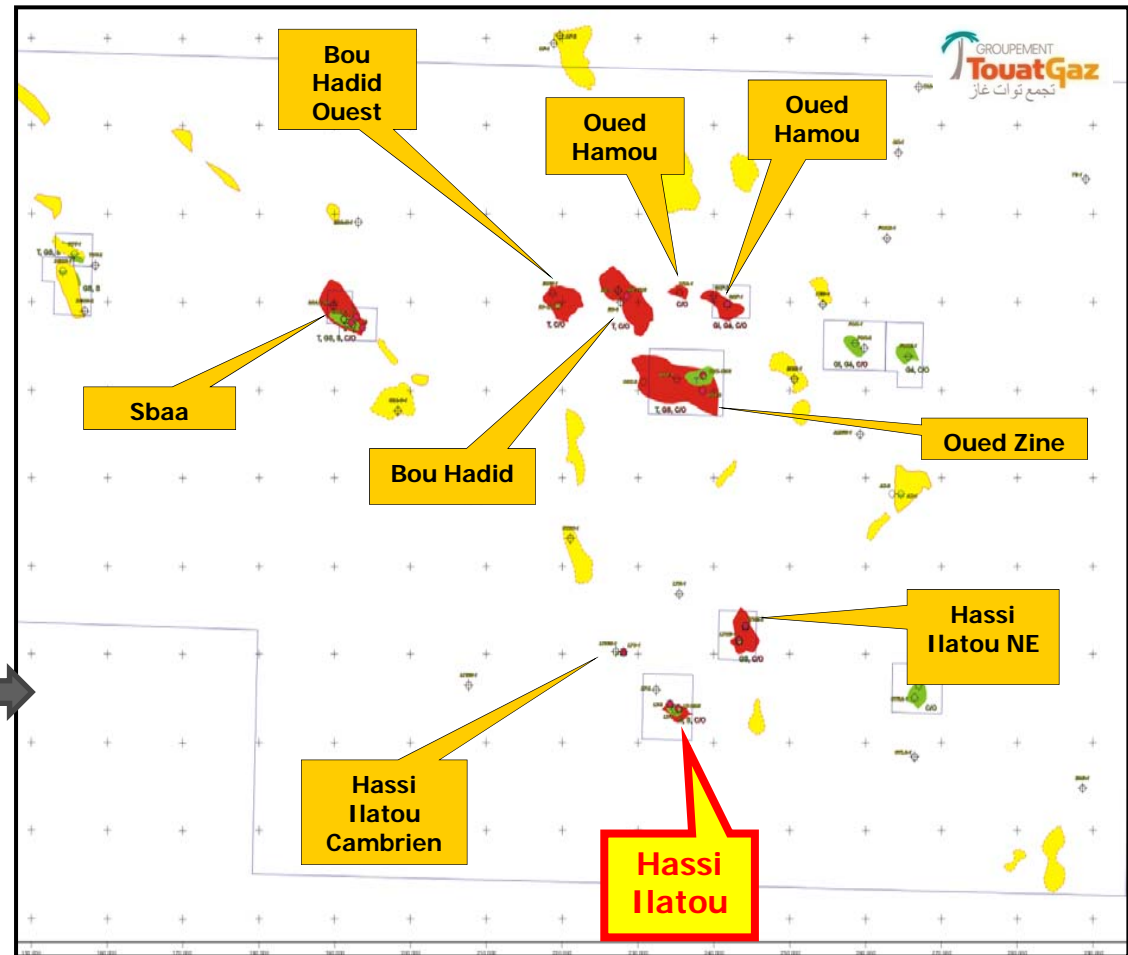
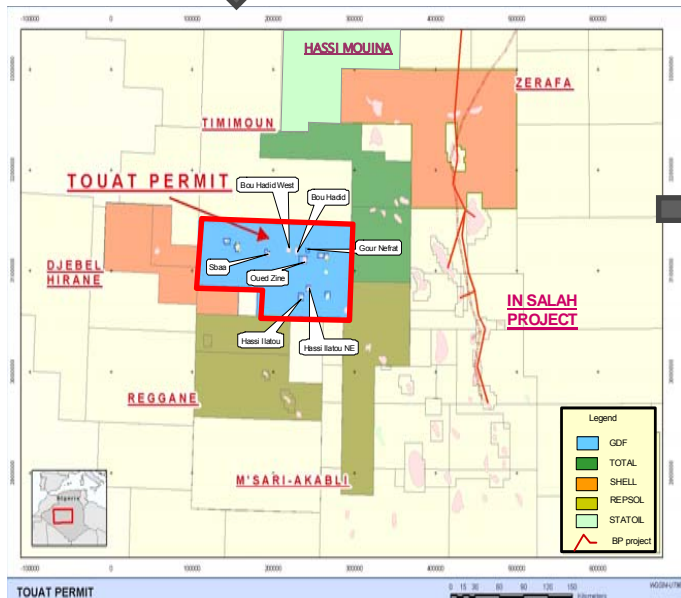
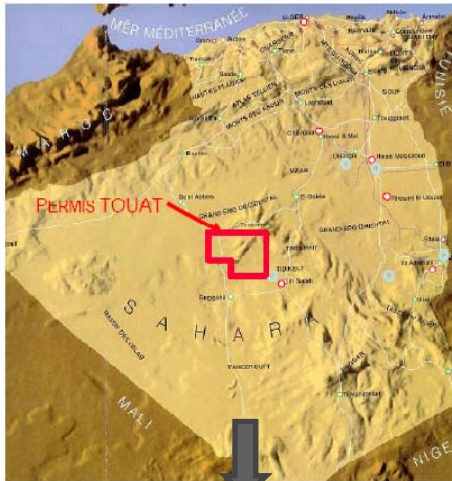
# TOUAT / HASSI ILATOU CO2 INJECTION/STORAGE PROJECT

Groupement Touatgaz  
JV between GDFSUEZ and SONATRACH

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# TOUAT PERMIT LOCATION



# TOUAT project : Project Timeline

- Exploration period from 28<sup>th</sup> January 2003 to 2007, GDFSUEZ as operator.
- Participation interest: GDFSUEZ 65% - SONATRACH 35%
- Commerciality declaration 26<sup>th</sup> January 2009
- Production licence from ALNAFT the 22th June 2009
- Exploitation phase duration 30 years
- Exploitation will be performed by the Groupement Touatgaz
- Drilling spud is planned in 2011 with the first CO2 injector well

## TOUAT project : Why re-injecting CO2 underground ?

- CO2 content : average ca. 7% mol.
- Sales gas specification requires 2% max of CO2 content  
→ CO2 need to be removed from raw gas
- CO2 may be vented to atmosphere or re-injected underground
- No regulatory requirements to inject CO2 underground.
- However, for obvious environmental reasons and in the frame of the sustainable development policies of GDFSUEZ and SONATRACH, the TOUAT development plan includes underground CO2 sequestration as a clear objective...
- ... But it is subject to technical and economical feasibility!

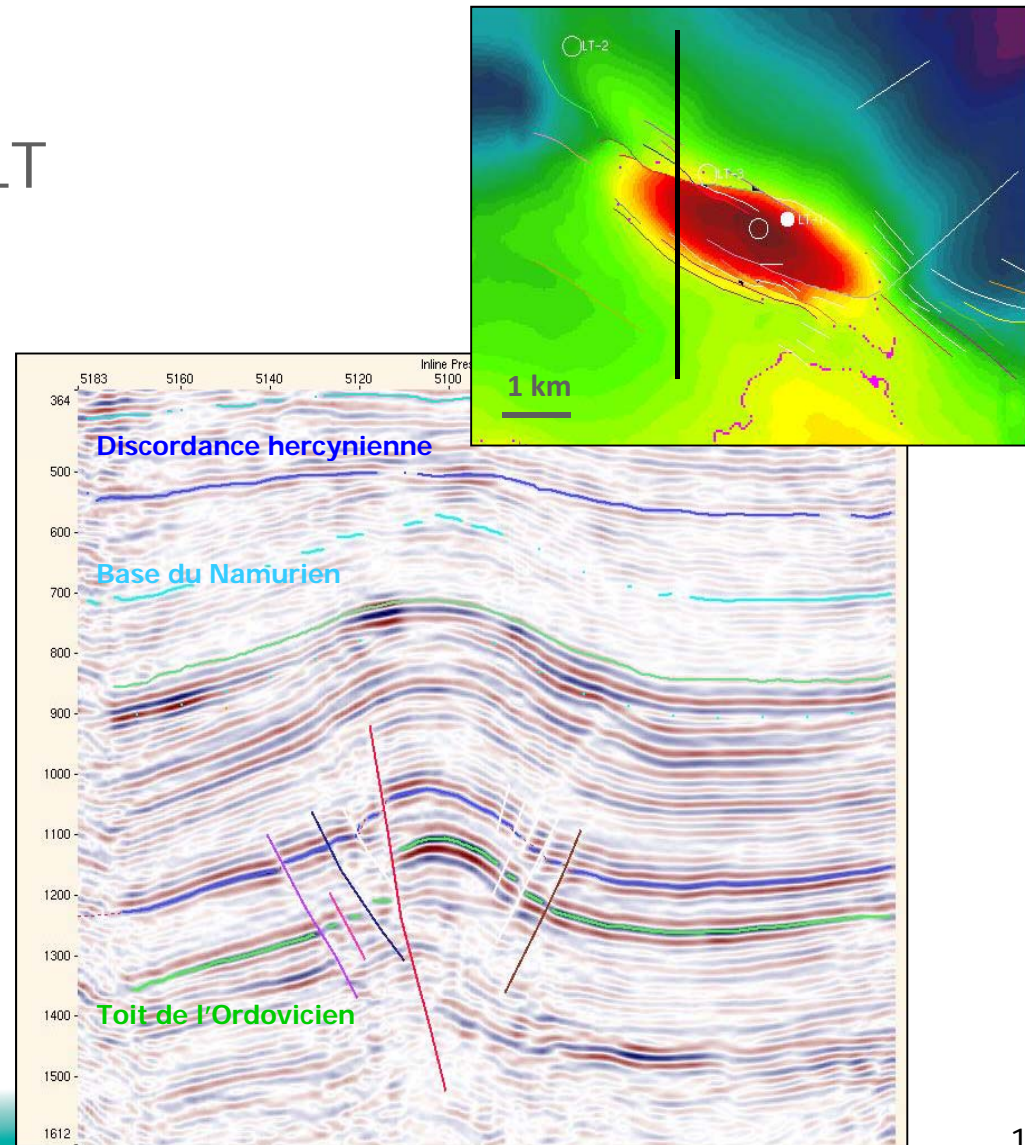


# Hassi Ilatou Field (LT) Structure

Field screening: selection of LT field

□ Best candidate characterisation:

- 300 meters closure
- Cambro-Ordovician reservoir
- Gas bearing field
- Intercalation in-between of a local seal (Lower Ordovician shale)



# Hassi Ilatou – CO2 Sequestration

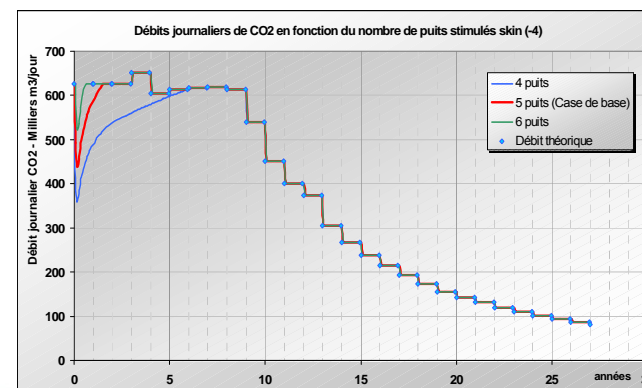
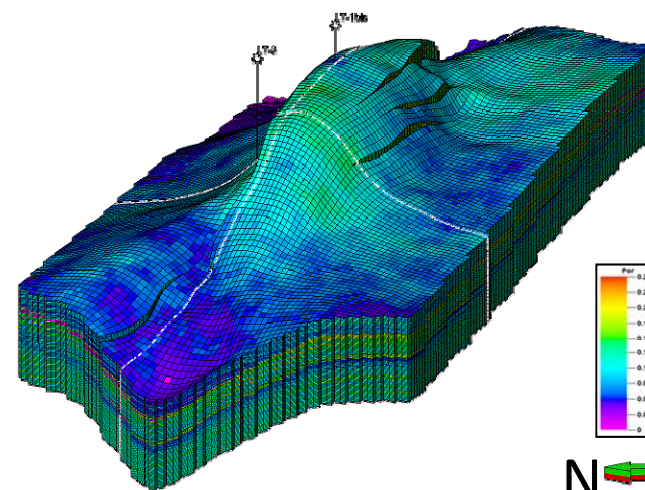
## Main steps

OBJECTIVE : To re-inject within the Hassi Ilatou field the equivalent of 80% at least of 3.56 Bcm of CO2 (daily rate of 1200 t/d).

### Main steps

- Sensibility studies and feasibility (2008-2010)
  - Sensibility studies
  - Reservoir Simulations (LT)
- Preparation stage (2010)
  - Pilot well program
  - Well preparation et acquisition program
- DRILLING OF PILOT WELL (2011)
- Pilot well evaluation & conclusions
  - Pilot Evaluation
  - G&G models
  - Update CPF+ cost → DECISION

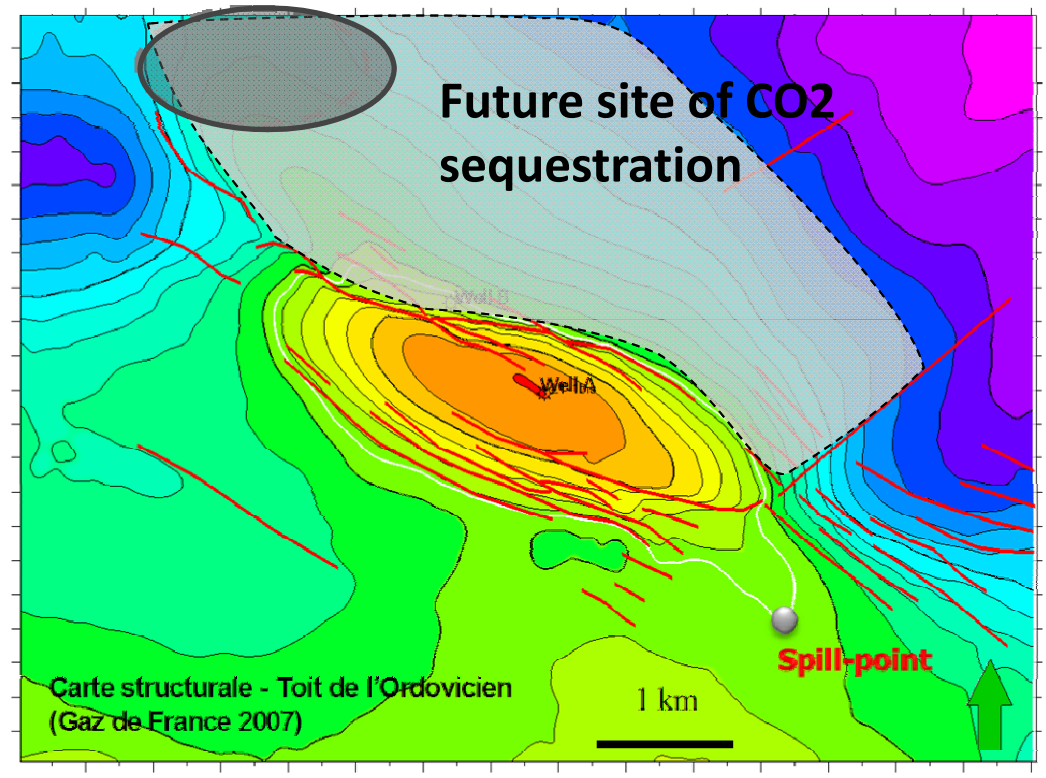
Porosity Distribution



# Hassi Ilatou – CO2 Sequestration

## Main technical options (1/2)

- Rate : 1200 t/d of hypercritical CO2, over 30y (eq 3.56 Bcm)
- Site: Northern flank (opposite of spill point), downdip of the main gas accumulation, within aquifer leg
- Wells: 5 vertical, hydraulically fractured
- FWHP max: 270 bars



# Hassi Ilatou – CO<sub>2</sub> Sequestration

## Main technical options (2/2)

- Reservoir Target:  
Cambrian, 1-10mD perm, 6-12 pu porosity, 9 pu in avg, 500m thick
- Associated Seal: Unit III-1 (eq. El Gassi Shale, L.Ordovician).
- Main seal: Silurian, 300m thick + Devonian & Namurian

Ordovician :  
good permeabilities  
K=120 mD,  $\phi$ =15%

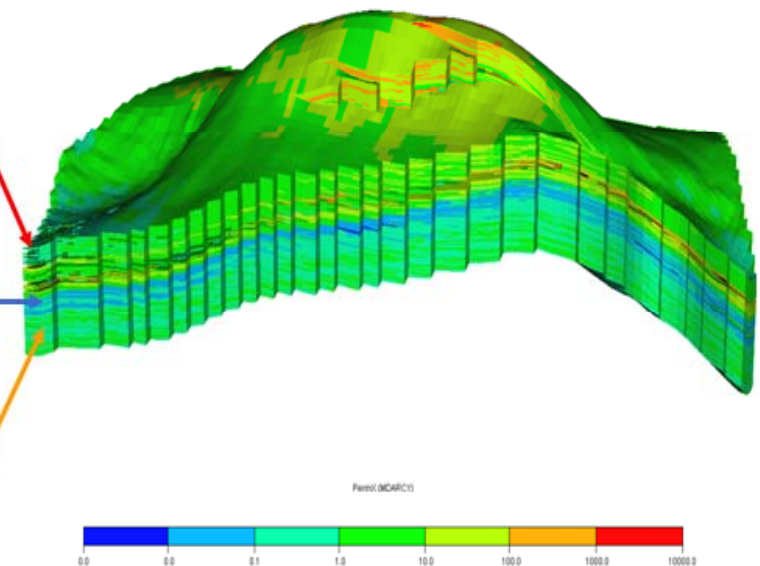
1-1000mD

El Gassi Shales:  
K<0.1 mD, Ht=20-30m

0.01-1 mD

Cambrian :  
low permeabilities  
K=3 mD,  $\phi$ =9%

0.1-10 mD





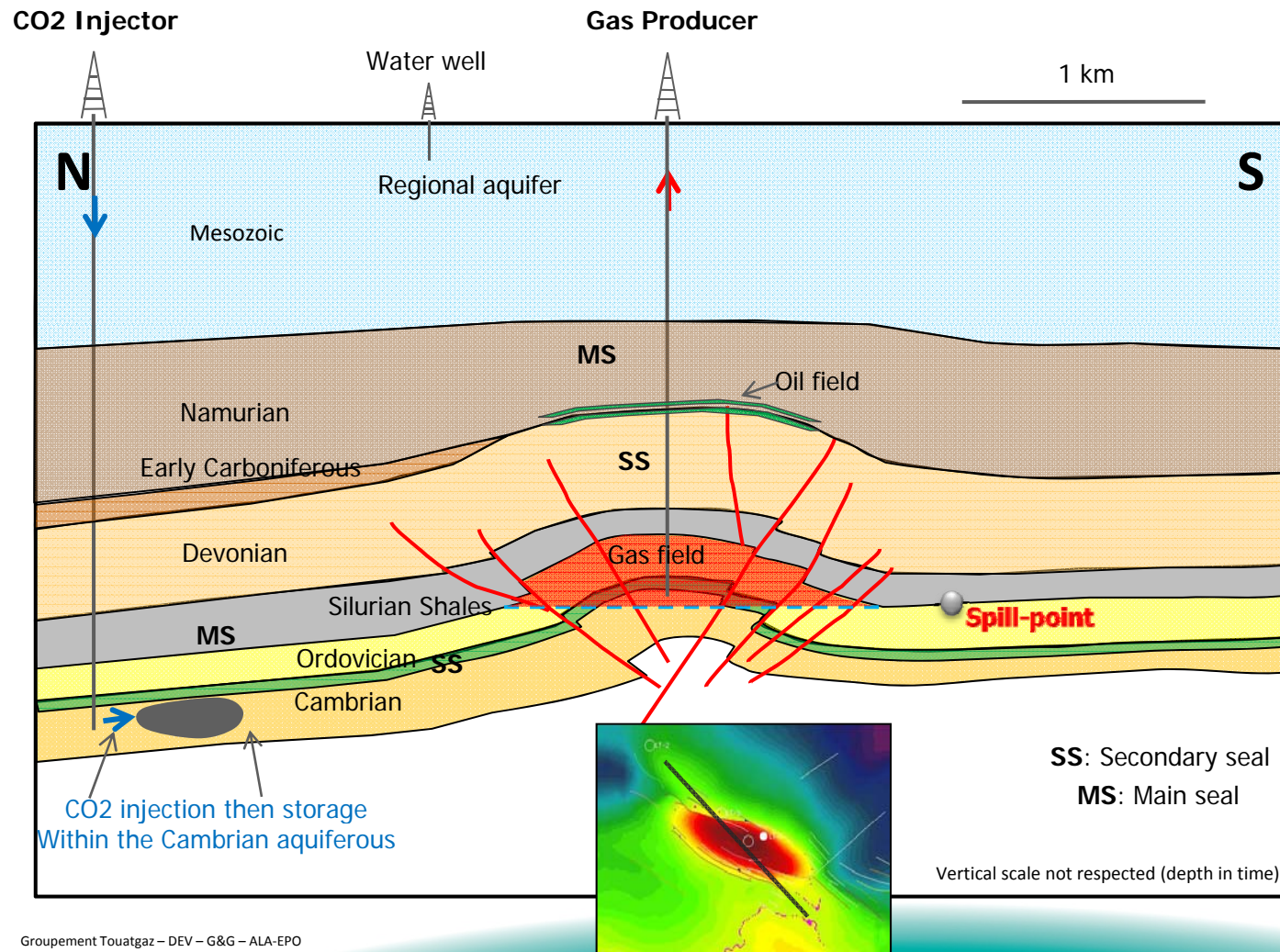
# Hassi Ilatou – CO2 Sequestration Concept

## INTEGRITY & CONFINEMENT:

- Injection far from main seal (Silurian) → protection of Mesozoic regional aquifer
- Opposite of Spill point
- Proven cap rock (gas field)
- Local confinement of CO2 plume due to low permeability & intermediate vertical flow barrier ...

...But

- Well stimulation compulsory





# Touatgaz CO2 project : Results & conclusions

## □ Expected CO2 underground performance (simulations)

- CO2 well confined within Cambrian
- No breakthrough to LT gas field after 150y
- Between 70 to >90% of CO2 re-injected according to sensitivities

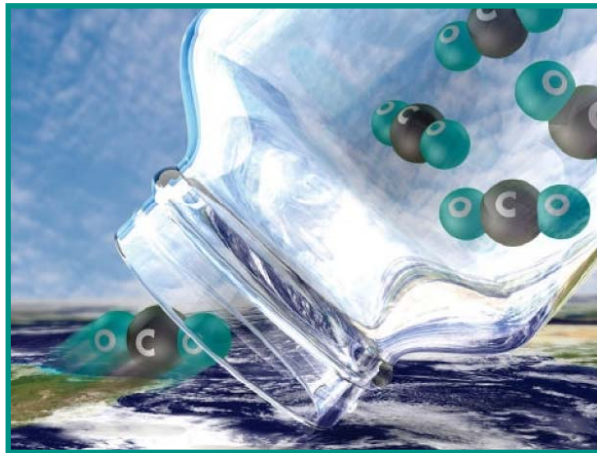
## □ Main uncertainties

- Well injectivity (stimulation, reservoir properties)
- Aquifer mobility
- Well performance sustainability

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## Research & Innovation

Improving the present  
& Preparing for the future



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