


Country profile 2024 – Angola

Part 1. General information

1. Country information

	Full name of the country	Republic of Angola
	Capital	Luanda
	Official language(s)	Portuguese
	Main ports	Cabinda, Soyo, Luanda, Lobito and Namibe
	Coastline (km)	1650 Km

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3. Industry

Industry presence in the country	
Which industry partners from the <i>Oil & Gas</i> sector are present and operating in your country?	TOTAL, BP, EXXONMOBIL, ENI, CHEVRON, EQUINOR, SONANGOL P&P, PLUSPETROL, SOMOIL
Cooperation with the industry	
Is there working group/platform that brings together government and industry to address issues related to oil spill preparedness and response? If yes, please provide the name.	Yes. ACEPA (Oil Companies Association), PNC TG (Technical Group of National Oil Spill Commission)
Is there sharing of human resources and equipment between industry and government during exercises and/or training?	Yes.
Please list any other aspects relevant to cooperation between industry and government.	We organise together every six months a Exercise with equipment deployment and other desk top exercises When there is a real spill we go to the site to access and evaluate the situation providing a investigation report

Part 2. Updating the Country Profile, identification of level of preparedness and priority actions

1. Institutional and legal context

1. Designation of responsible authority(ies)

Competent national authorities responsible for oil spill preparedness and response	
<i>Response at sea</i>	
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2. Ratification of international conventions and national legislation

Ratification of international IMO conventions (related to oil spill prevention, preparedness and response, and to civil liability and compensation) and their transposition into national legislation				
	Status of ratification	National legislation that incorporates the Convention	Status of implementation	Observations/specific actions needed
Prevention				
MARPOL 73-78	Ratified Annexes I-V - resolução nº 41/01, 21 dec	NOSCP	Done	Improve supervision and monitoring

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Preparedness and response				
OPRC 90	Ratified – Resolução nº 33/01, 9 nov	NOSCP	Done	none
OPRC-HNS Protocol				
Liability and compensation				
CLC 69				
CLC 92	Ratified – Resolução nº 32/01, 1 st nov	NOSCP	Done	
Fund 92	Ratified – Resolução nº 30/01, 26 nov	NOSCP	Done	
Fund Prot. (2003)				
Bunker Oil (BUNKER 2001)				
LLMC 76				
LLMC 96				
HNS 2010	Ratified			

National legislation			
Maritime policies and regulatory framework	Do maritime policies or strategies exist? What is the responsible entity?	Maritime National Agency (AMN)	
Ratification of IMO conventions	What are the main challenges/obstacles to ratification?	Lack of coordination	
		Lack of priority	
		Lack of legal expertise	
		Lack of technical expertise	
		Lack of financial resources	
Incorporation of IMO conventions	What is the procedure for incorporating IMO Conventions related to safety, marine pollution, and liability and compensation, into national legislation?	The IMO Conventions are in the NOSCP, specifically in the Strategic Plan. They are important to guide us in some relents issues to operate the Plan.	
Incorporation of: • 1992 Fund Convention • Supplementary Fund Protocol	Does the related law identify the national authority responsible for the submission of oil reports?	Yes. MIREMPET is in charge of that.	

II. National Oil Spill Contingency Plan

1. Development of a National Oil Spill Contingency Plan (NOSCP)

Document	
Name of NOSCP	Plano Nacional de Luta Contra Derrames de Petróleo no Mar
Status of NOSCP	Approved
Administrative act of initial approval – Number and date	Council of Ministers Dec. 2008
Date of last approved update	Dec. 2008 by Resolução nº87-A/08, 22 dec
Committee/working group responsible	National Oil Spill Commission chaired by the Head of State in which the Ministry of Mineral Resources, Petroleum and Gas and the Ministry of Environment have a role of coordinator of the National Incident Command and the Technical Executive Committee. Other members are: Ministries of Defence, Interior, Transport, Fisheries and Sea, Foreign Affairs, the National Petroleum Agency, the National Oil Company and ACEPA
Has the NOSCP been tested? Date and main comments	Yes. In 2009, 2011, 2013 with Lula large- scale Exercise with Total, 2015 Rio Lifune Tier 2 Exercise with ACEPA and 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019 and 2022 exercises with different Operators.
What is the procedure for updating the NOSCP? Does the updated NOSCP have to be formalised through an administrative act (e.g. decree, law ...) for it to be applicable?	No. The proposal for updating the NOSCP can be claimed by any member.

2. Coordination, notification policies and organisation of response

Organisation of response	
Does the NOSCP utilise concepts from the <i>Incident Management System (IMS)</i>?	Yes.
Is each defined role assigned to a person/function?	Yes.
Are the contact details of the responsible persons contained in an annex?	Not yet.
Does the NOSCP incorporate the different preparedness levels (Tiers 1, 2, 3)?	Yes.
<p>Organisation chart :</p> 	

Notification and reporting procedures	
Are the emergency, notification and follow-up procedures (reports, etc.) well defined?	Yes, but we are updating the contact list very often, because the people is always moving away.
Do they include a template as well as an updated contact list?	Yes
Can the NOSCP be activated in case of an oil spill caused by a non-ship source (e.g. offshore platform, pipeline, etc.)?	Yes.

Coordination with local plans and the industry	
Are the local plans (port, terminal, etc.) referenced and integrated in the NOSCP?	Yes
Are the contingency plans of oil and gas industry facilities referenced and integrated in the NOSCP?	Yes.
Involving the local communities	
Is the involvement of local communities in case of oil spills and during exercises planned?	Yes. We also involve them during the drills and exercises.
Follow-up and archive; compensation	
Is there a follow-up plan and archiving system that allows evidence to be stored?	yes
Are compensation and the procedures for requesting compensation defined and integrated?	Yes.

3. Components of the National Oil Spill Contingency Plan

Policy on use of dispersants	
Status of the policy on the use of dispersants	So far we are using dispersants approved in other parts of the world, but it is temporary.
The use of dispersants is considered as (first/second/last option/not an option).	Depends on depth and distance from the coast line. But the first option is mechanical recovery.
State the name of the administrative act which details the policy on use of dispersants.	There is no policy in place. We are working on it.

Is there a list of approved dispersants? If yes, is it public?	Yes, although it is a temporary list until the national policy is in place. .	
Is there an approval procedure? If yes, which authority is responsible for this?	Yes. If is stated in the chapter 2- Operational plan of the NOSCP. In waters above 20 meters depth there is no need to request approval, although it is recommended to inform MIREMPET and MINAMB.	
Is the same authority responsible for authorising the use of dispersants in emergency situations?	Yes.	
Is the policy on the use of dispersants included in the NOSCP?	Yes.	
What are the geographic and bathymetric limits for use of dispersants?	More than 20 metres depth, if there is not any sensitive area.	
Is there a stock of dispersants?	Yes, owned by Oil Operators and some provide companies.	
Location of the storage sites	FPSO's, Platforms, Support vessels and Petroleum Logistic Bases (Cabinda, Soyo, Luanda and Lobito onshore)	
Name	Owner	Quantity: Plenty booms, skimmers, dispersants, fast tanks, OSRV, and other.
Sensitivity mapping and risk evaluation		
<i>Sensitivity maps</i>		
Status of sensitivity maps	Developed	
Responsible working group/committee	MIREMPET/MINAMB and ACEPA	
Are sensitivity maps included in the NOSCP?	Yes.	
Date of validation and last update	2015 up to date	

Does the map cover the whole shoreline?	Yes
Are the sensitivity maps public?	Not yet. It will be soon.
In what format are the sensitivity maps available? Print or digital?	Both
<i>Risk evaluation</i>	
Does the plan include drift patterns?	Yes

Does the NOSCP consider air surveillance in case of an incident (radar, satellite, aircraft, helicopter, etc.)?	Yes.
Does the plan include a risk register and spill scenarios?	Yes.
Is the Net Environmental Benefit Analysis (NEBA) included in the NOSCP?	Yes.
Shoreline evaluation and response plan	
Status of the shoreline response plan	In progress
Which authority is responsible for shoreline response?	MIREMPET, MINAMB and ACEPA with support of Municipalities and Fishermen associations Volunteers and NGO
Date of validation and last update	
Is the shoreline response plan part of the NOSCP?	Yes.

Does the shoreline response plan incorporate the Shoreline Cleanup and Assessment Technique (SCAT)?	Yes.
Can volunteers participate in shoreline response? If yes, is there a volunteer management plan in case of oil spills?	Yes they can, the management plan is in progress
Oiled waste management plan	
Status of the waste management plan	In progress
Responsible working group/committee	MIREMPET, MINAMB, ACEPA and support of Municipalities other partners
Date of validation and last update	
Is the waste management plan part of the NOSCP?	Yes.
Does the waste management plan include transport, temporary storage and final disposal of waste?	Yes.
Does the national legislation consider oiled waste as hazardous waste?	Yes.
What legislative framework regulates waste management at the national level?	Decree 19/12 (MINAMB)and Executive Decree 08/05 (MIREMPET).
Contingency plan for the safety of oiled wildlife	
Status of the contingency plan for the protection of oiled wildlife	Still ongoing

Responsible working group/committee	NOSPC
Date of validation and last update	
Is the contingency plan for the protection of oiled wildlife part of the NOSCP?	Yes.
Are there national bodies responsible for this? If yes, which ones?	MINAMB and Ministry of Fisheries
Are there cooperation agreements with international specialised organisations?	The ACEPA yes - OSRL
<i>In-situ</i> burning policy	
Status of the <i>in-situ</i> burning policy	Not in place
Responsible working group/committee	
Date of validation and last update	
Does the <i>in-situ</i> burning policy form part of the NOSCP?	Yes, is part of the strategy of response.
What is the authorization procedure in case of an incident?	There is no specific procedure. The only request is the thickness of the stains.
Other technical elements	
Does the NOSCP cover preparedness and response in the case of spills of hazardous and noxious substances (HNS)?	No, but it can be tested.

III. Response equipment, training/exercises and international cooperation

1. Transboundary cooperation and international assistance

Regional agreements	
What bilateral and/or regional cooperation response mechanisms are included in the NOSCP?	OPRC, Abidjan C and Bilateral agreements between neighbouring countries.
Are transboundary exercises organised regularly? If yes, how often?	Yes, but not regularly. We did once with Namibia.
Date of the last transboundary exercise	
Transboundary transfer of expertise and equipment	
Are there specific customs and immigration procedures in place to facilitate the import of equipment and/or expertise?	No, we just follow the rules in place. In case an emergency any contact can be made by phone, as quick as possible.
If yes, what are the procedures?	See above.
Assistance mechanisms	
Does your country participate in cooperation with projects/institutions aimed at improving preparedness and response? If yes, which ones?	Yes. GIWACAF, IMO and BCC.

Is there mutual support between government and industry for the exchange of response equipment?	Yes.
Are mechanisms for mobilisation and access to public and private international assistance in place?	Yes

2. Training and exercises

Training	
Courses	
Does the country organise internal training for staff at all levels (based on the needs of the country and in accordance with international standards)?	Yes.
Exercises	
Does the country organise national exercises (involving local and private sectors) at least once a year?	Yes.
Education	
Does cooperation with universities to train future experts in environmental management and the management of industrial and environmental risks exist or is it planned?	Yes.

3. Equipment and national resources

Response equipment	
Centre for storage and maintenance of Response equipment	
Planned acquisition of response equipment by the government	
Inventories of public and private response equipment (annexed to the NOSCP)	
Procedure for the temporary loan of response equipment from the industry, in case of an incident	
Crisis control centre (rooms for meetings and communication)	Yes
Centre for resources, training and documentation for oil spill preparedness and for response management	Yes
Capacity for intervention	
In case of TIER 1 ¹ oil spills, is there sufficient national oil spill response capacity to enact intervention measures?	Yes
In case of TIER 2 oil spills, is there sufficient national oil spill response capacity to enact intervention measures?	Yes
In case of TIER 3 oil spills, is there sufficient national oil spill response capacity to enact intervention measures?	No. The international co-operation is requested.

¹ The definition of tiers 1, 2, 3 varies by country

Communication

Communication with the media and the public	
Are standard procedures in place for communication with the media during exercises and actual incidents?	Yes
Actions Is there a practical and strategic training programme on communicating with the media, for decision-makers and other response stakeholders?	Yes