

#### Webinar Overview

Geohazard Investigation or Survey is performed throughout a well life cycle from exploration, development, production, monitoring and decommissioning. The purposes of geohazard investigation are to identify, map and evaluate or quantify the impact of geohazards on planned activities and well operations. Hence, costly stability problems and dangerous accidents during offshore drilling activities due to various geohazards can be prevented.



The term geohazards refer to features of the geologic origin or human-made, on and/or beneath the seafloor, that poses threat to engineered а structures. The main devastating effects of geohazards are loss of lives, rig sinking, pipeline burst, environmental pollution, or structure collapse. The less harmful impacts have severe financial consequences as well as significant project delays.













## Why perform Survey?

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### #1: Control of ground risk:

- Blowout, due to Shallow Gas
  Deep / Uneven / Slow spudcan
- penetration
- Shallow Water Flows



### #2: Obtain ground parameters:

- Leg Penetration Analysis & Other Designs
- Punch through & Rapid uncontrolled leg run
- Location approval









## Industry Legislation, Regulations, Guidelines?

#### (including STANDARDS, PRACTICES, PERMITS)



International / Local <u>Maritime</u> Standards (IMO, IMCA, UKOOA, MIGAS, BP MIGAS, etc.)



International (Offshore) <u>Oil and Gas</u> <u>Industry</u> Standards and Code of Practices (API, DNV, SNAME, etc.)



International <u>Soil</u> <u>Mechanics/Geotechnical/Geophysical</u> Standards and Code of Practices (ASTM, BS, IAGC, etc.)

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Local Permits that Vary from Country to Country (Operating, Immigration, Customs/Import and Re-Export, Security Clearance, Dispensation, Work Permits, etc.)

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## 1. WATER DEPTH / BATHYMETRY EXAMPLES







RATION vs FREQ	UENCY					
Source	Function		Frequency	Vertical Resolution	F	Penetration through seabed
Multibeam Echo Sounder	Bathymetry	4	200 kHz	n/a		0 m
Sub-bottom Profiler (Pinger)	Pipelines Foundation zone		1.4 – 4.5 kHz	<0.3 m		10-100 m
High-resolution seismic (2D or 3D)	Shallow hazards		150 Hz	<3 m		<1500 m
Conventional 3D seismic	Reservoir exploration		50 Hz	<10 m		>3000 m
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**Methods of Offshore Geotechnical Investigation** seabed systems: TE Apenetration depth typically 6-12m but can be as deep as 40m in very soft deposit Seabed based 11 PAT Downhole in drill pipe downhole d CPT 2000m system (drilling): penetration depth 250 m possible

# **Downhole Mode - Drilling Equipment**





### **ONBOARD LABORATORY**















### Case 1: Punch Through, due to inaccurate selection of Soil Parameters

- Simplification in necessary, but careful on the critical details
- Always be cautious when observe hard layers or lenses in soft clay deposit.

### **Case 2: Spudcan Footprint Interaction: penetration into existing footprints**

- Most of Leg Penetration Analysis is a one-dimensional (1D) analysis
- But if a footprints, pipeline, foundation exist in the vicinity, it will require a three-dimensional (3D) analysis

### Case 3: False-Alarm Punch Through, due to inaccurate analysis method

- In addition of accurate soil parameters (ie, Case 1 earlier), selection of appropriate mode of failures is also critical
- Need good engineering judgment and cannot be relayed totally on software to calculate



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