

Response to Mediapart reports

Perenco notes a recently published series of three articles by MediaPart concerning the Group.

Perenco does not recognise the articles as an accurate portrayal of the Group, and strongly believe that they create a false and misleading narrative.

Mediapart reports that Perenco produces hydrocarbons in 74 protected natural areas and infers that, whatever the Group's commitments, its presence poses a significant threat to those areas.

It is correct that Perenco works in certain protected areas, notably in the UK and Guatemala, but these areas were declared protected after the start of hydrocarbon exploitation, to ensure greater levels of control. The Group cannot deviate from the regulation's within protected areas and ensures that all operations comply with international standards.

Any deviation, delay or breach is notified and the Group is held accountable by the environmental authorities, regardless of its seriousness. This data is public, easily obtainable and should be viewed in context and without sensationalism.

The other zones are often proposals for areas to be protected and are not areas yet administratively or legally recognised as protected. For example, in Cameroon or Peru, the Ndongere and Napo Tigre reserves are proposed by NGOs or administrations to the government to protect sensitive areas and control (but not prohibit) the exploitation of hydrocarbons.

In addition to investing in the country and providing jobs and supporting local development, Perenco spends the necessary time, often years, conducting transparent studies and consultations in order to obtain all the authorisations required to be able to carry out its work in zones defined as protected.

The group brings its know-how and investment capacity, while the State controls and administers. There is a number of infractions relating to Peru but, when looked in detail, most of them concern delays in administrative reporting, including during the COVID crisis.



There is absolutely no infraction reporting any pollution (air, water, soil) that could affect the communities of direct influence of Perenco that are living 70km away from the field.

As is the case in Cameroon, the DRC and Gabon, Perenco is committed to long term support for the countries where it operates. We have proven that Perenco is a reliable and responsible partner focused on value creation, delivered by committed professionals from many nationalities and professional disciplines.

About Perenco: Founded thirty years ago, Perenco is an independent hydrocarbon producer involved in the entire lifecycle of projects, from exploration to decommissioning. Gross production is 510,000 BOE of oil and gas per day. The group's strength lies in the technical ingenuity and versatility of its 7,470 employees, who deliver safe and environmentally aware solutions to oil and gas fields around the world. By enhancing and developing local resources, Perenco is proud to support economic growth and social development wherever it works. Perenco operates in 14 partner countries and is based in the United Kingdom.

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