The Global Methane Initiative (GMI): Oil and Gas Subcommittee

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Global Methane Initiative (GMI)

Launched in 2004, GMI is a voluntary, international public-private initiative that aims to reduce methane emissions and to advance the abatement, recovery, and use of methane as a clean energy source.

GMI Organization:

- Steering Committee, Co-chaired by Canada and Mexico
- Secretariat (Administrative Support Group), hosted by U.S. EPA
- Sector-specific subcommittees: biogas, coal mines, and oil and gas
- Partner countries
- Project Network Members



GMI Partner Countries

43 partner countries represent nearly 70% of total global manmade CH₄ emissions.





Project Network

- Brings necessary actors from the private sector, NGOs, and multilateral investment organizations (e.g., World Bank, Asian Development Bank) together to implement reduction projects.
- More than 1,000 diverse organizations from six continents.
- Project Network members can:
 - Expand business and increase profits
 - Distinguish themselves in the marketplace
 - Identify financial and technical support for potential projects
 - Build capacity
 - Fulfill strategic goals



GMI Oil and Gas Subcommittee

Key Activities :

- Identification of applicable technologies and practices
- —Project feasibility studies
- Methane measurement studies
- Technical training or assistance

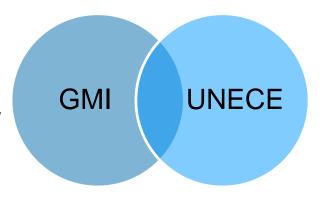
• Key Achievements::

- Hosted meetings and workshops in nearly 20 countries
- Completed country-specific action plans for 10 Partners
- Conducted methane measurement studies in Partner Countries
- Developed numerous technical resources and tools



Strategic Alliance: GMI and the UNECE

Allows for more effective collaboration and knowledge-sharing for methane mitigation



- 1) Seek to coordinate and cobrand activities/meetings
- Share technical resources and support the development of work products
- 3) Streamline on the ground efforts (i.e., projects) to maximize impact



Moving Forward

- Co-locate GMI Oil and Gas Subcommittee annual meetings with UNECE Group of Experts on Gas meetings (2019)
- Support the development/dissemination of GMI/UNECE Best Practice Guidance for reducing methane emissions from the (1) upstream oil and gas industry, and the (2) downstream gas industry
 - Case studies and BMPs for MRV and reducing methane emissions
 - Development of training modules
 - Capacity-building seminars and workshops



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For More Information

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www.globalmethane.org

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Reference slides (if needed)



GMI Strategies for Success

- Promote international cooperation on methane reduction
- Provide reliable methane emission data
- Support capacity building in partner countries
- Assist in the removal of barriers for methane project development
- Identify cost-effective opportunities for methane projects









Activities and Outcomes

