



CO₂ Capture and Storage Current Status and Future Challenges

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Introduction

- Review of the status of International Acceptance of CCS
- Current CCS project status worldwide
- Move forward to wide scale implementation
 - Challenges we need to address
 - Efforts underway to address them



International Acceptance

- Considerable progress has been made:
 - Acceptance of CCS as a mitigation option under Kyoto Protocol at COP11/MOP1
 - IPCC SRCCS
 - Acceptance of amendment to London Convention to permit storage
 - Sub sea geological structures
 - Predominantly CO₂
 - No progress on acceptance of CCS as a CDM option at COP12/MOP2



CCS Project Proliferation

- Commercial activity primarily in oil and gas sector
- Number of research projects injecting/capturing CO₂ increasing
 - Expect up to 10 more in USA in coming years as part of Regional Partnership programmes
- Now seeing pre-commercial/commercial developments for power sector projects
 - Australia, Canada, Germany, Norway, UK & USA
 - No direct financial incentives



CO₂ Capture Facilities

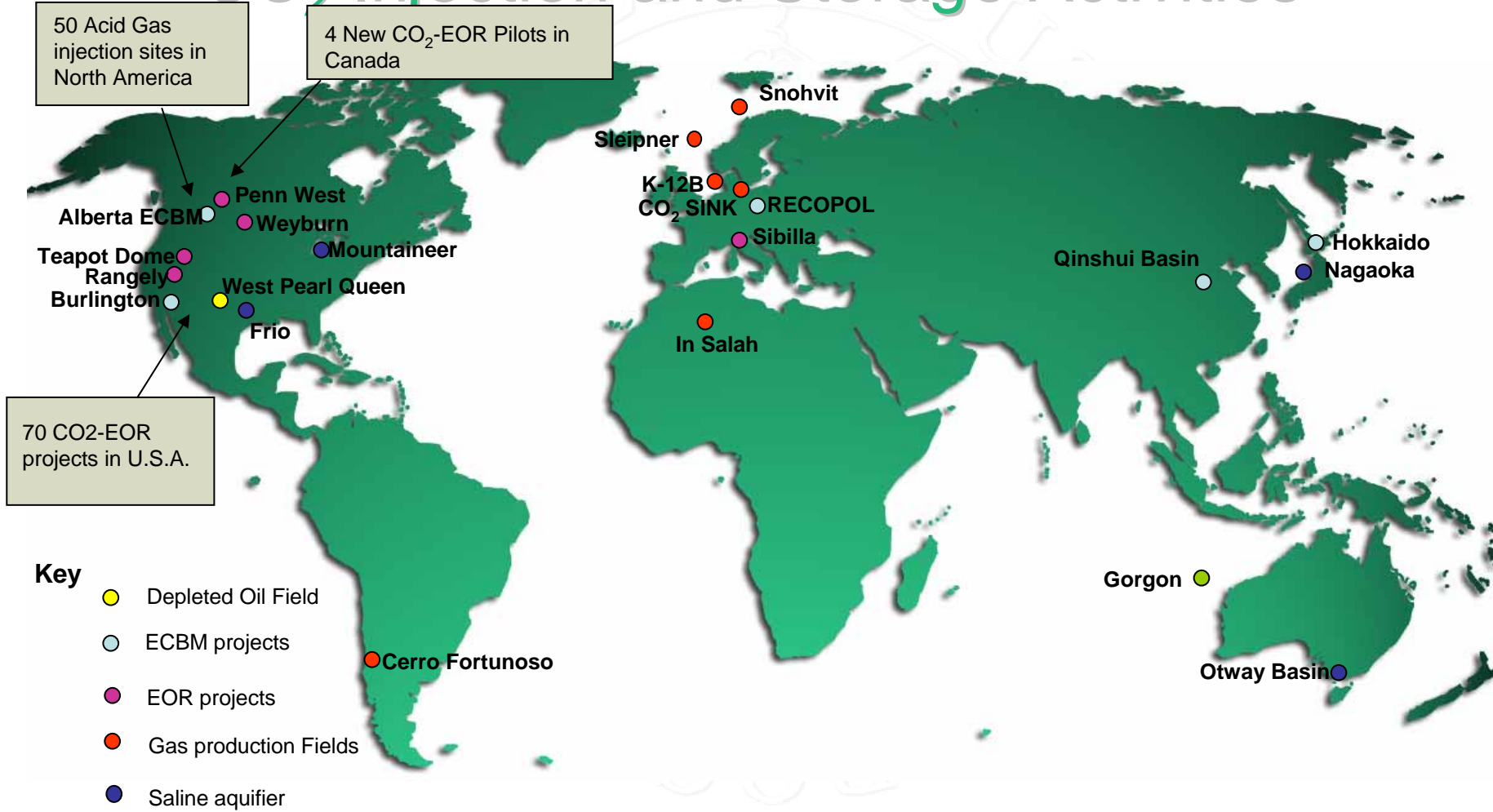


Key

- Gasification synfuels plant
- Major Pilot Plants
- CO₂ Separation from Natural Gas for CCS
- Food-grade CO₂/carbonation of brine/Urea (Post Combustion)



CO₂ Injection and Storage Activities





Proposed Integrated CCS Projects

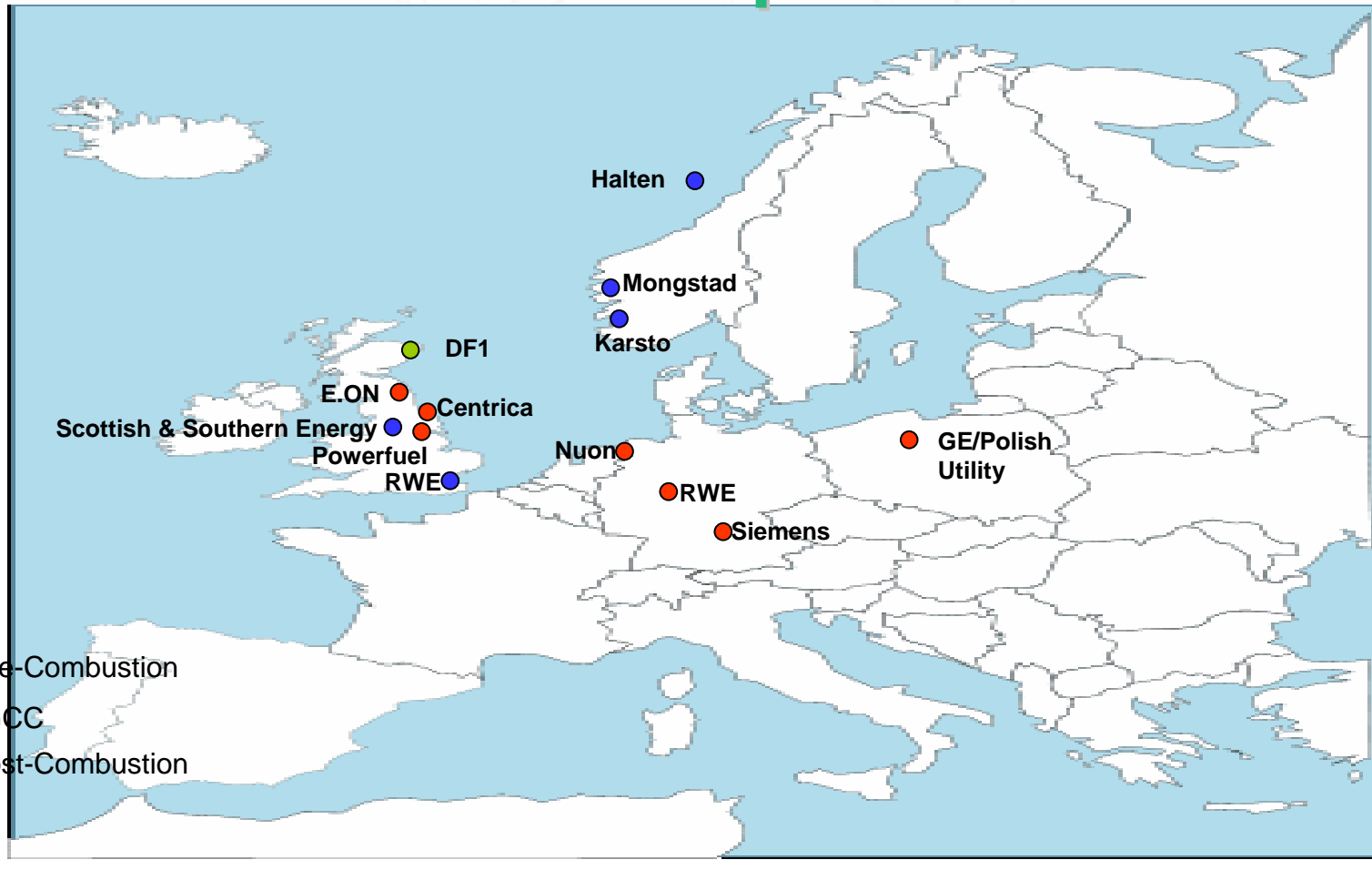


Key

- LNG
- Pre-Combustion Capture
- IGCC
- Oxy-Fuel
- Post-Combustion



Proposed Integrated CCS Projects- Europe



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- Pre-Combustion
- IGCC
- Post-Combustion



Developing Country Activities

- China
 - EC/UK funded nZEC project
 - EC funded COACH project
 - EC funded GEOCAPACITY
- India
 - IEA GHG/DEFRA funded source/store matching study
 - US DOE funded Basalt study
 - Indian funded CO₂ capture test facility proposed
- Asia Pacific Partnership
 - Australian Government \$6m programme to support research on CCS developments in China and India



Moving Towards Implementation

- Issues that need to be addressed
 - Safety/permanence
 - Developed regulatory system
 - Market for CCS
 - Public Awareness/Education



Safety/Permanence

- For a CCS operation we cannot say there will be never be leakage
- Industry statistics show there will be fugitive emissions from pipelines and surface facilities
 - Low level and intermittent
 - Can quantify such emissions
- These emissions are distinct from the storage formation
 - If they occur these will be very low level (seepage) and occur over long time periods
 - Likely to cause local environmental impacts only



Safety/Permanence

- Need to engineer for zero leakage from the storage formation
- 5 component plan:
 - Detailed site characterisation
 - Reservoir simulation
 - Risk assessment
 - Monitoring programme
 - Remediation programme



Summary of Monitoring Experience

- No firm evidence from any of the large scale projects that leakage is occurring
 - Weyburn (3 years), Sleipner (10 years), Rangeley (20 years)
- Only one project has any surface seepage and there are doubts about the data
- Monitoring lifetimes are short <25 years
- Cannot quantify seepage
 - Nor determine a generic leakage rate



Regulatory Developments

- Need for regulatory systems essential to implement projects in near term
- Quicker to amend existing regulations than develop new ones
 - Europe
 - Netherlands - adapted existing laws
 - UK - regulatory task force established
 - Norway - permitting CCS under existing petroleum laws
 - USA
 - Adapting UIC programme legislation
 - Australia
 - State and Federal Governments involved
 - Gorgon review under way



Regulatory Developments

- London Convention
 - CO₂ Working Group established in June 2006
 - Produce Guidelines for CCS in sub sea geological structures
 - Guidelines are to be used by national bodies regulating disposal of CO₂ storage offshore
 - Guidelines incorporate:
 - Best available science
 - IPCC SRCCS
 - Risk Assessment and Management Framework for CCS-SSGS
 - Best available knowledge from demonstration projects
 - Draft set of guidelines developed and out for comment
 - Guidelines approved in November 2007



Regulatory Developments

- Guidelines require:
 - Waste prevention audit/Waste management option review
 - Characterisation of waste stream
 - Site characterisation
 - Impact assessment
 - Permit Issue
 - Compliance monitoring
 - Performance monitoring
 - Mitigation plan



Regulatory Developments

- European Commission
 - Development of guidelines for national regulatory bodies
 - Based on a petroleum licence application
 - On and Off shore CCS
 - Activity through CO2REMOVE
 - Guidelines include:
 - Site characterisation/monitoring requirements etc.,
 - Assessment of legal requirements and future liability



CCS Market Drivers

- Currently high oil and gas prices will drive some CO₂ injection projects
 - Low incremental cost for storage
 - Sleipner, In-Salah, Snohvit
 - Economic incentive through increased hydrocarbon production
 - Weyburn, K-12B
- Norwegian situation
 - Tax incentives for offshore emission reduction driving project development



CCS Market Creation

- Long term CO₂ market needs to be created
- Emissions Trading Scheme
 - European system immature
 - Current trades will not finance CCS projects
 - €3.3/t CO₂ as of 27/01/07
 - Current volatility will not encourage long term investment
 - €3-24€/t CO₂
- Need to drive down cost of CCS
 - 20-40% cost reductions achievable through replication
- In short term projects may need government support
- Longer term; a stable trading market must establish itself
 - CO₂ supply/storage infrastructure needs to develop



Norwegian Initiative

- New initiative in Norway to create a CO₂ supply infrastructure
 - Part public sector/part private sector enterprise
 - Establish a CO₂ supply infrastructure for Norway to realise its CO₂-EOR potential
 - Leave behind a supply infrastructure that can then be used for CO₂ storage
 - Announced in Autumn 2006



Public Awareness

- Public awareness of climate change impacts is growing
 - Focus of considerable media attention
- NGO's can influence public opinion
 - NGO's in Europe and USA generally in favour of CCS
- Public awareness on CCS is currently limited
- Need to build public awareness to ensure projects do not meet public resistance



Public Awareness

- Need to urgently start a public education programme
 - Open and transparent
 - Happening at pilot project scale in some countries
 - Australia, Europe, Canada and USA
 - Need more concerted engagement programmes
 - CATO programme and Japan
 - Need more demonstration projects with public engagement
 - In-Salah
 - Need to be aware that local issues could dominate in planning reviews
 - Local issues have caused rejection of wind farms in many European countries despite public acceptance of need for more renewables



Summary

- Implementation of CCS project is occurring in oil and gas sector
- Power sector interest is growing
- Financing CCS projects remains a major barrier
 - More work is needed
- We need to develop public confidence in CCS so that the public do not become a major barrier to future development



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