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STATUS OF THE HYDROCARBON EXPLORATION

SEISMIC & WELLS ACHIEVEMENTS (APRIL 2018)

Seismic Acquisition:

Onshore

- 2D Seismic: 53 445 Km
- 3D Seismic: 1 856 Km²

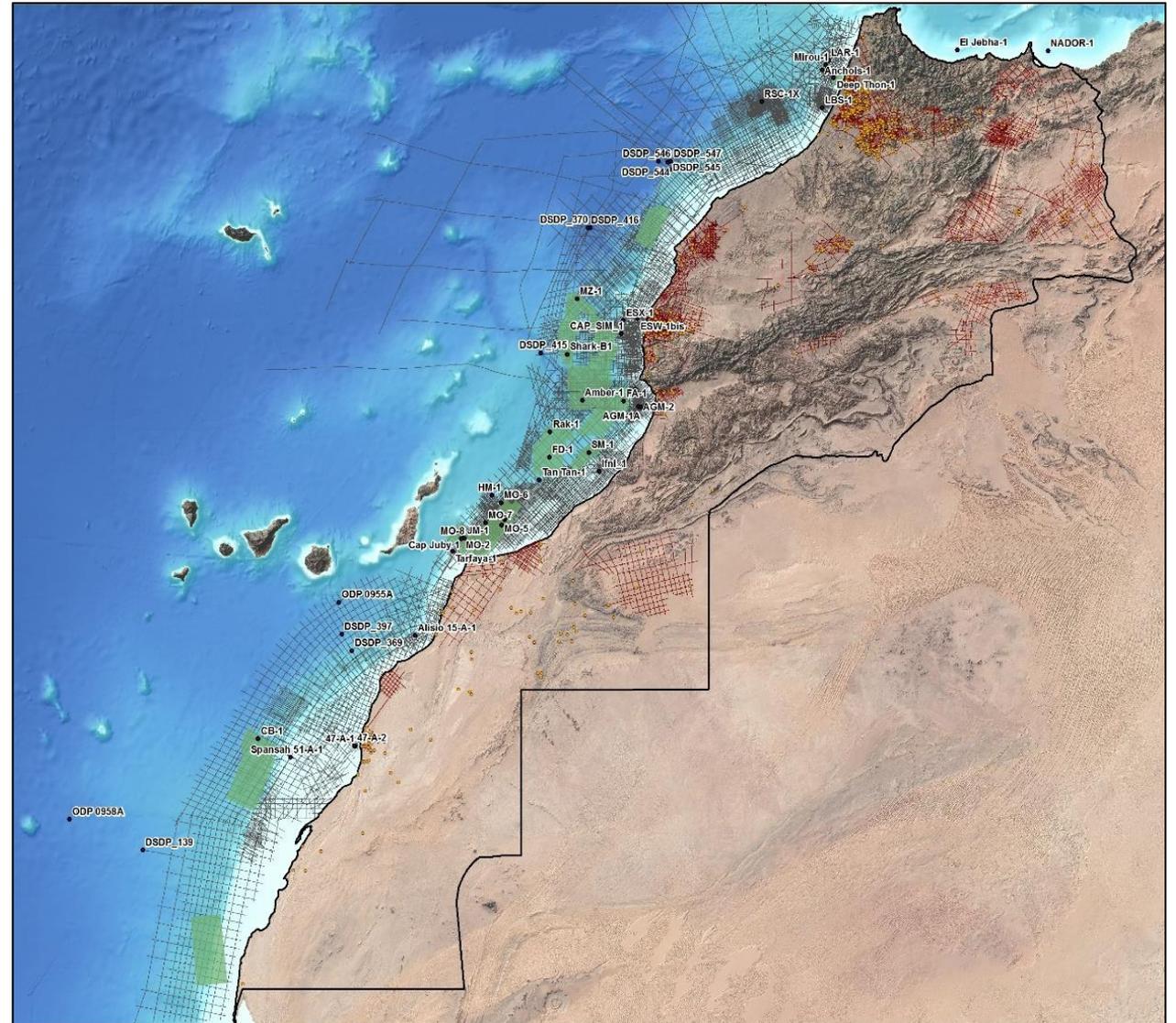
Offshore

- 2D Seismic: 161 071 Km
- 3D Seismic: 57 732 Km²
- 2D Multi-clients seismic:

- Additional 2D & 3D seismic acquisition is ongoing onshore and offshore

Exploration Drilling :

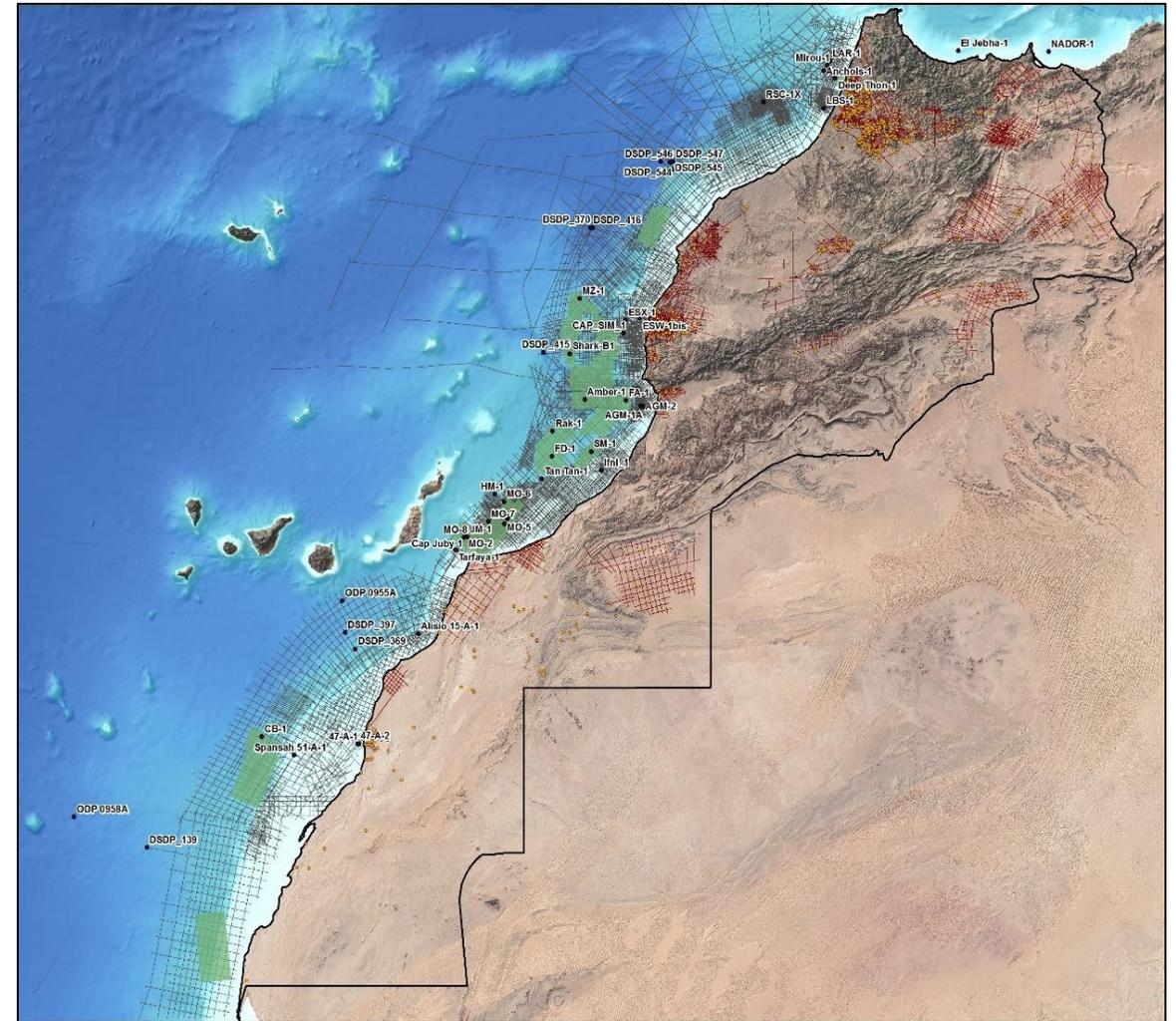
- 44 wells offshore (42 in the Atlantic & 2 in the Mediterranean)
- 298 wells Onshore



STATUS OF THE HYDROCARBON EXPLORATION

ONGOING WORKS

- **ONHYM Internal basins evaluations**
 - Regional and local petroleum evaluation projects
 - Regional geochemical modeling
- **Seismic reservoir characterization of an offshore segment**
 - Evaluation of bids
 - To be conducted in 2018
- **Multi-client long offset 2D seismic interpretation and margin evaluation**
- **Morocco-Nova Scotia margins restoration (MOU between ONHYM and OERA of the province of Nova Scotia)**
 - Data sharing agreement
 - Joint effort to explore geology and petroleum opportunities in both margins



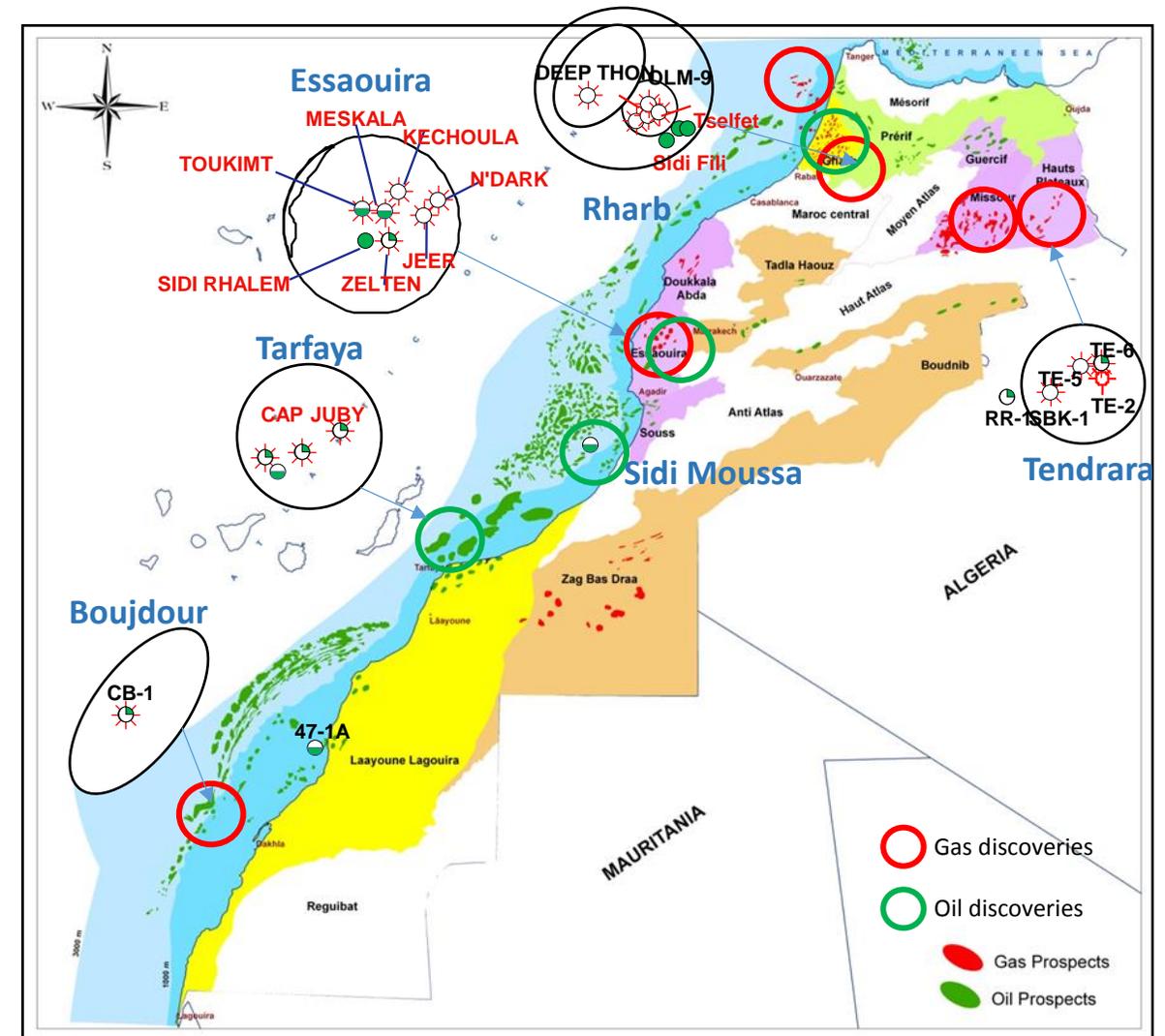
STATUS OF THE HYDROCARBON EXPLORATION

TO DATE EXPLORATION RESULTS

- More than **800** prospects & leads of various plays have been identified in the onshore and the offshore. Some of these prospects were tested successfully

- **Pre-Salt Play**
 - Gas and condensate fields
 - Paleozoic Source Rocks
- **Salt Related Play**
- **Jurassic carbonate Platform Play**
 - Oil fields and sub-commercial accumulations
 - Jurassic Source Rocks
- **Turbidite Play**
 - Gas and condensate shows and sub-commercial accumulations
- **Thrust and Sub-thrust Play**
 - Oil fields and numerous oil seeps
 - Jurassic Source Rocks

- Still considerable number of mature prospects deserves to be drilled.



STATUS OF THE HYDROCARBON EXPLORATION

Licensing status

Exploration permits

- 58 offshore 85 513 km²
- 31 onshore 44 446 km²

Reconnaissance licenses

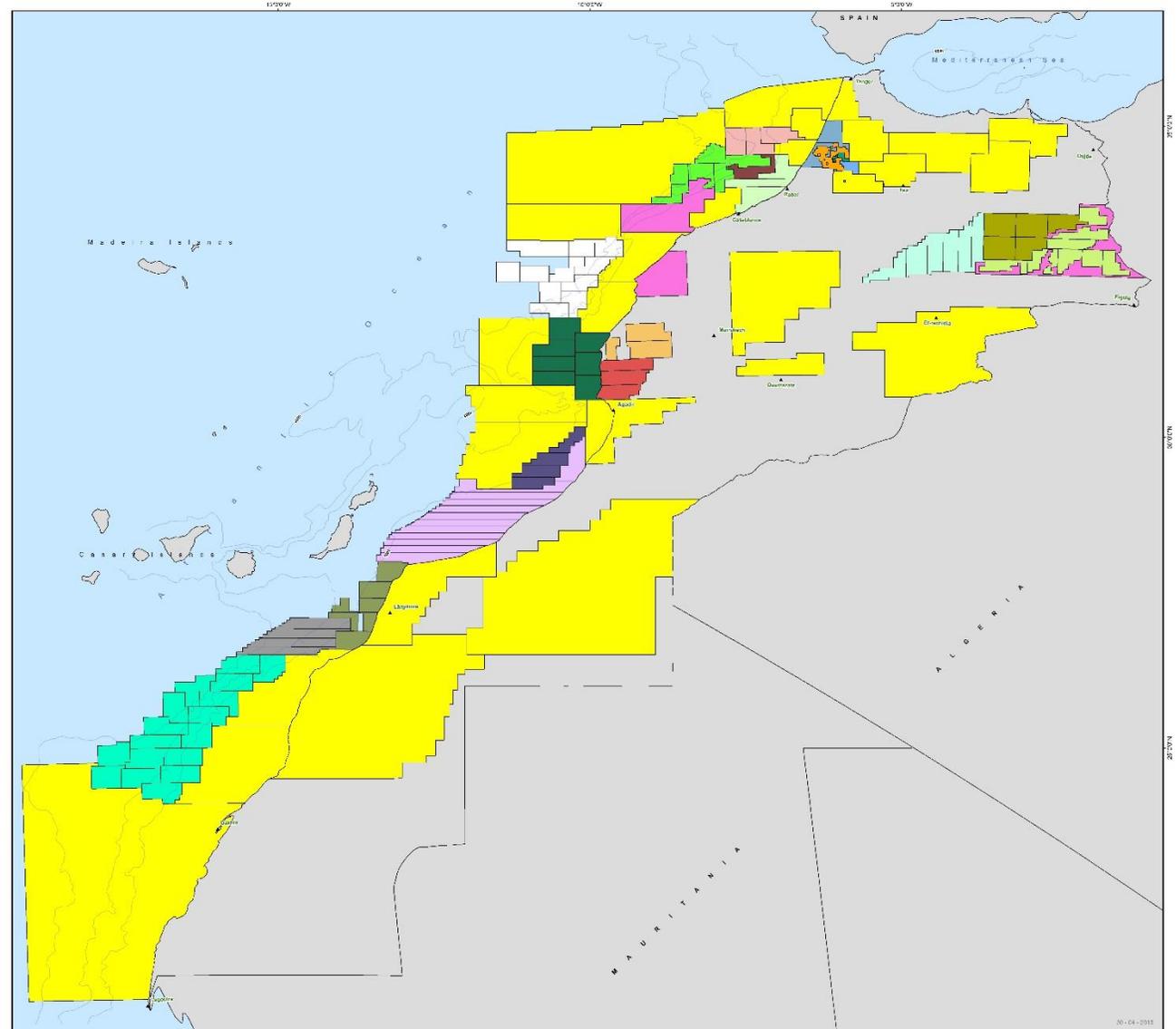
- 1 offshore 7 108 km²
- 2 onshore 10 198 km²

Exploitation concessions

- 8 Exploitation 29.8 km²
- 1 ONHYM 38.7 km²

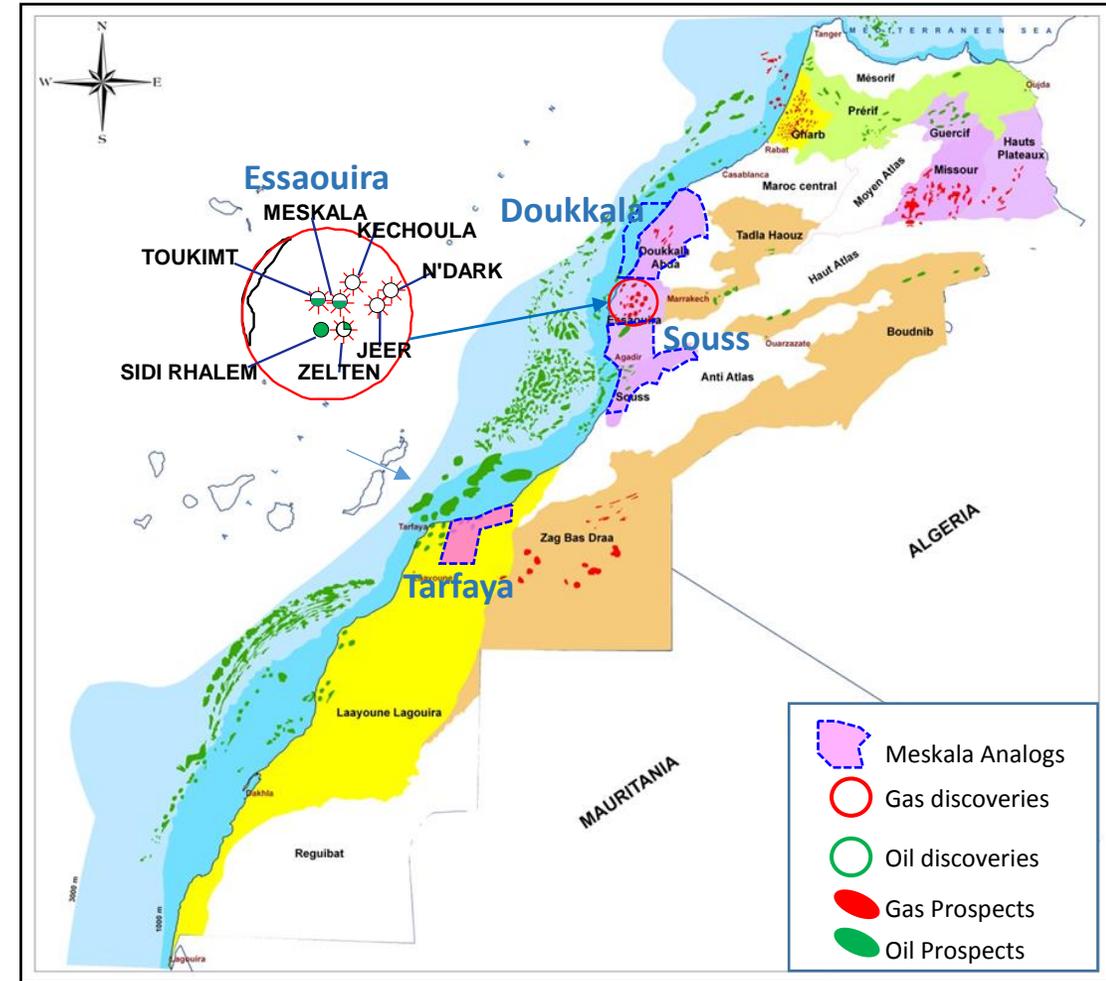
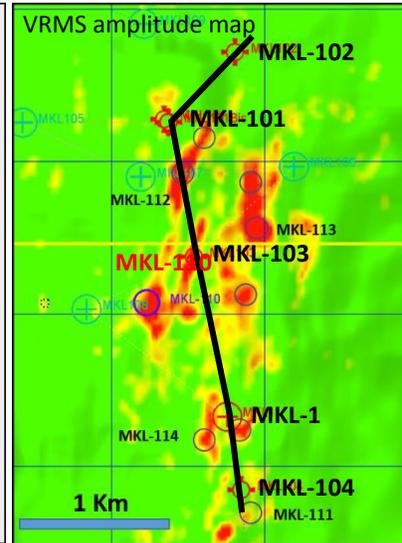
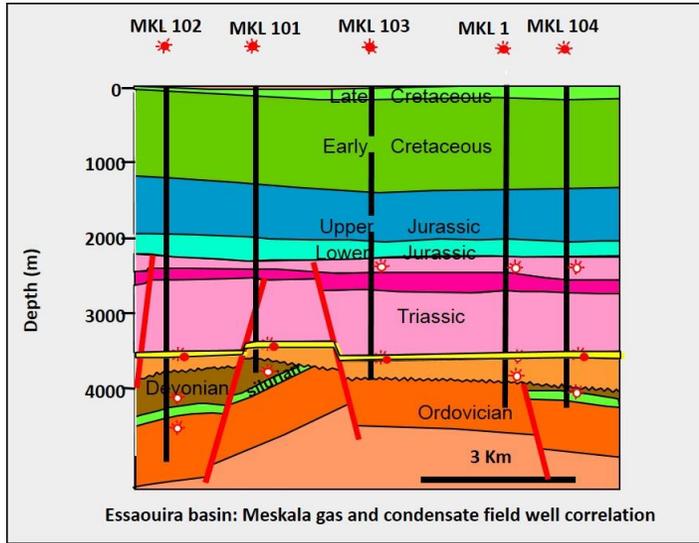
Open blocs

- 15 offshore
- 14 onshore



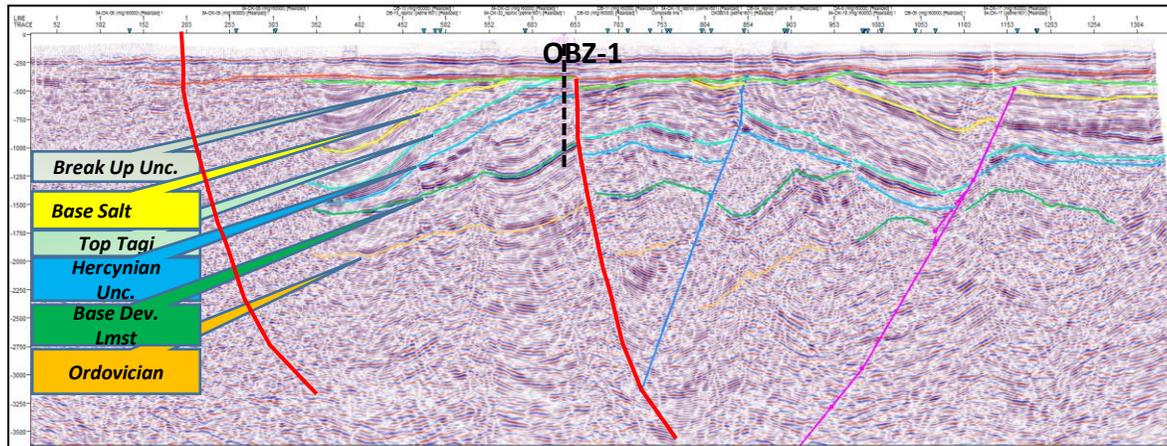
UNTESTED PRESALT PROSPECTS/LEADS AND ANALOGS

Positively tested presalt play (Meskala gas and condensate field in Essaouira basin)



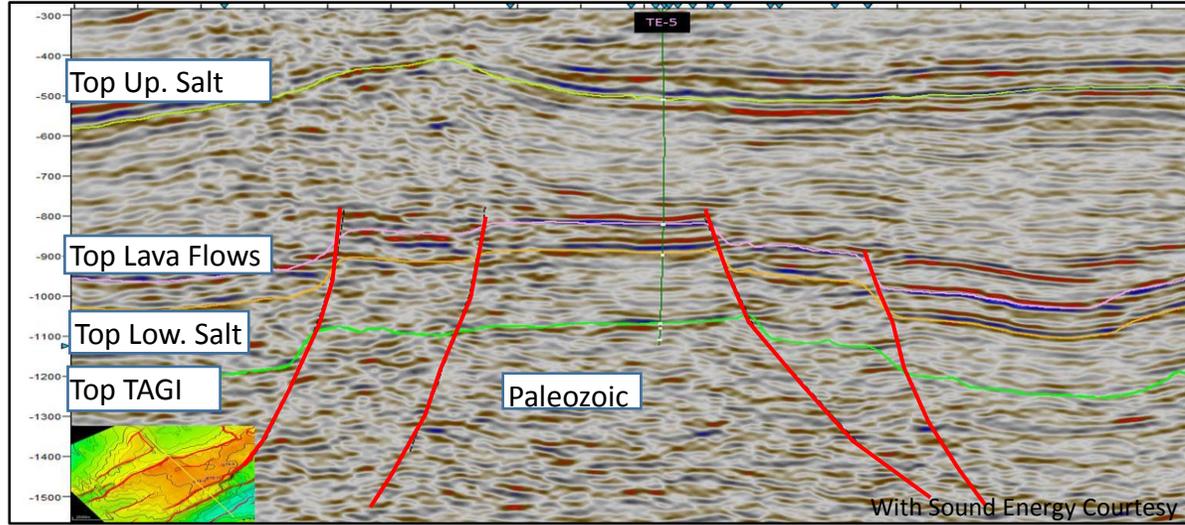
Presalt Play in the Atlantic Rift Basins

Untested Presalt play related prospects in the Dokkala basin

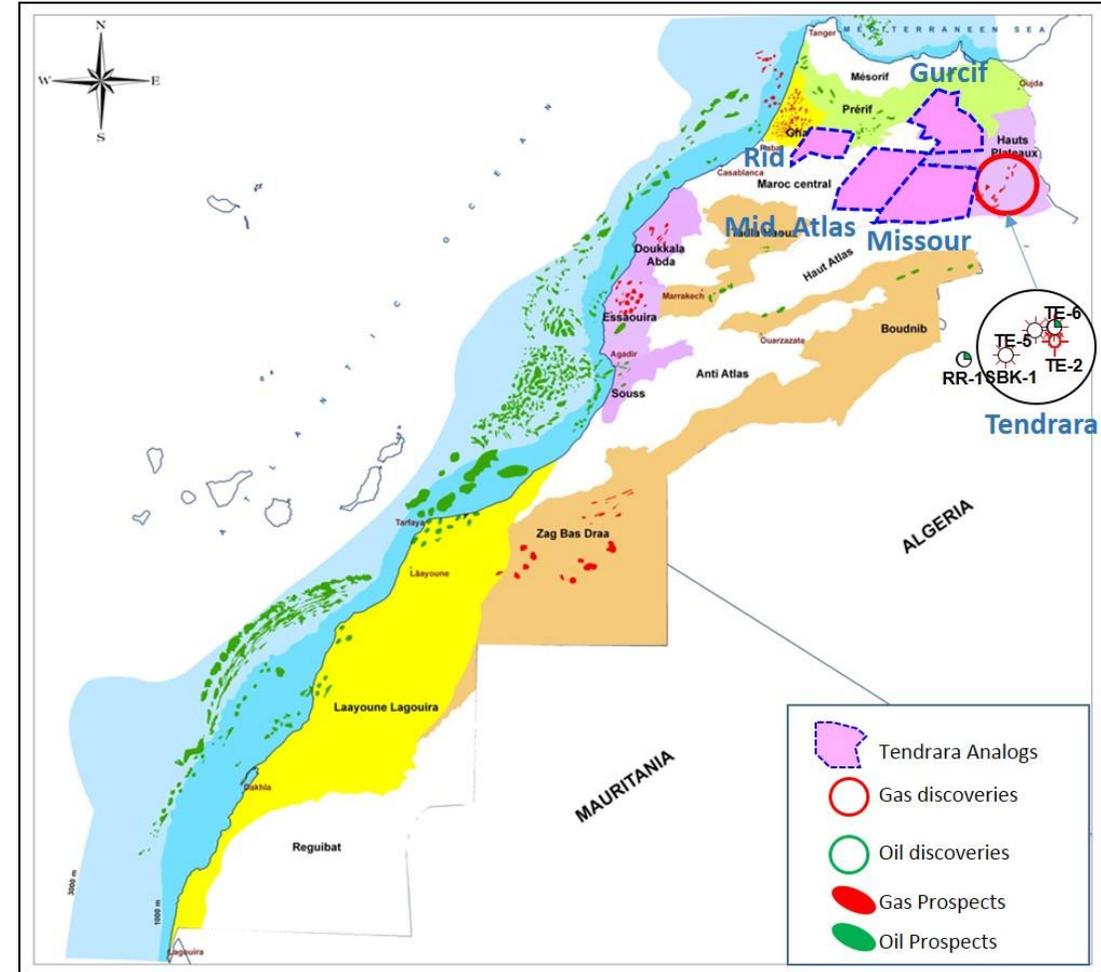
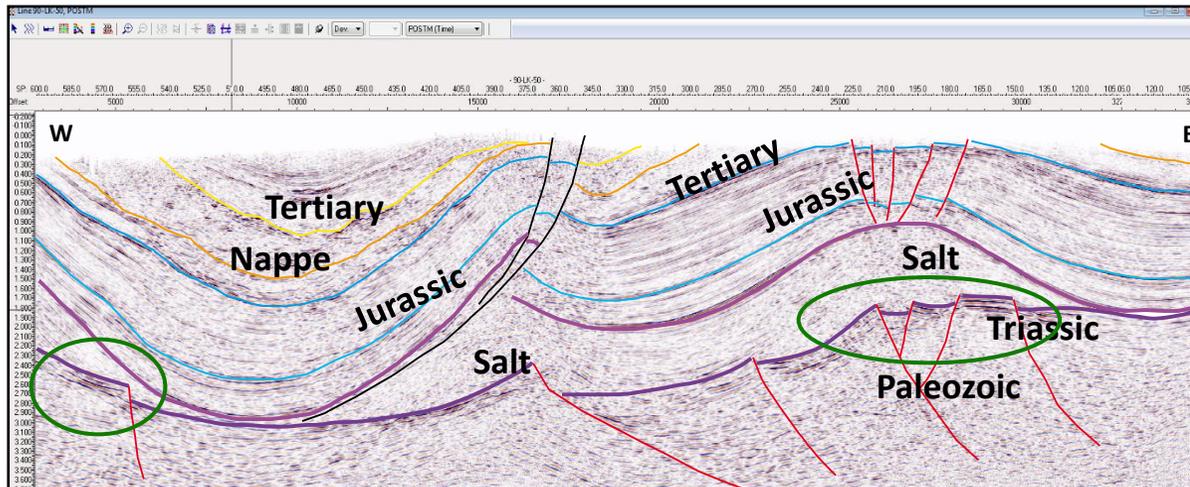


UNTESTED PRESALT PROSPECTS/LEADS AND ANALOGS

Positively tested presalt play in Tendirara Area



Untested Presalt play related prospects in the Prerif Ridges



Presalt Play in the Tethys Rift Basins

UNTESTED SUBTHRUST PROSPECTS/LEADS AND ANALOGS

Subthrust Play main drivers

Hydrocarbon occurrences:

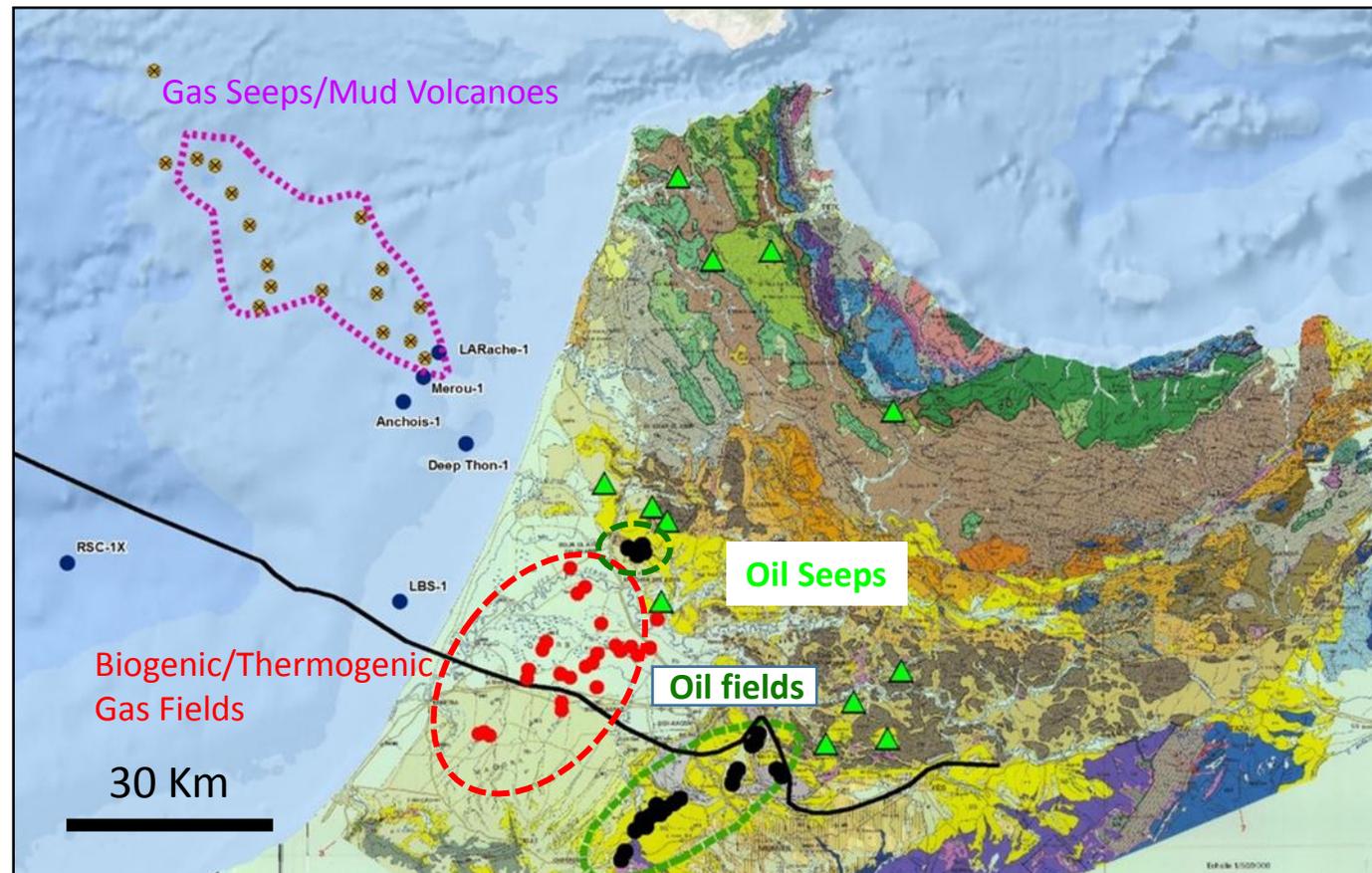
- Oil seeps
- Oil fields
- Biogenic and thermogenic gas
- Gas seeps associated with mud volcanos.

Four (4) proven marine and organic rich source rocks :

- Miocene up to 10% Toc
- Cenomanian-Turonian 0.6 to 10.7%Toc
- Toarcian 0.5 to 2.5 % Toc
- Domerian 0.5 to 1.2 % Toc

Four (4) proven reservoir intervalles:

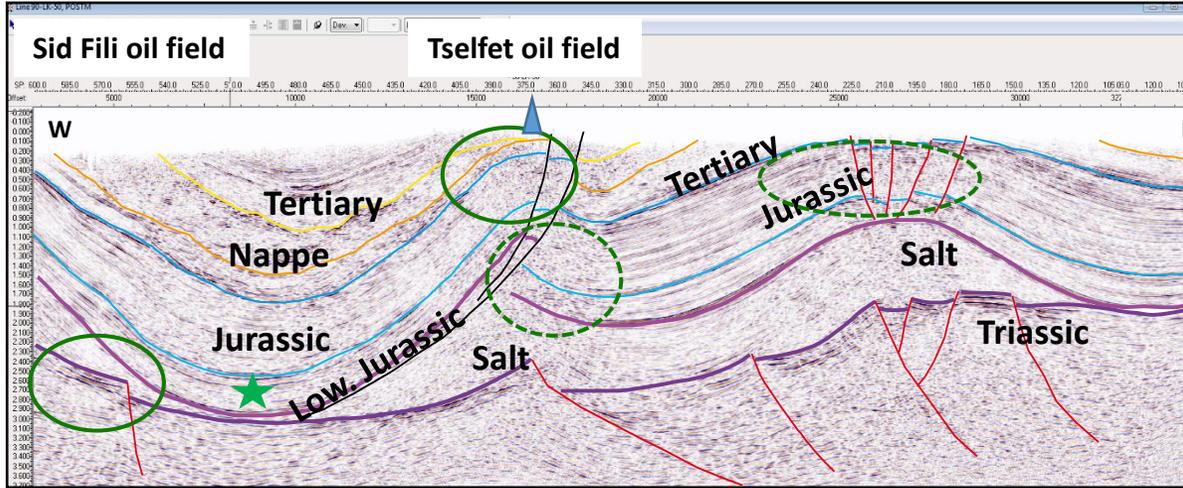
- Miocene turbidite sandstones
- Mid. And Up. Jurassic deltaic and turbidite sandstones
- Low. And Mid. Jurassic carbonates
- Triassic fluvial sandstones



Hydrocarbon Occurrences in the Moroccan Alpine (Rif) folded and thrust belt

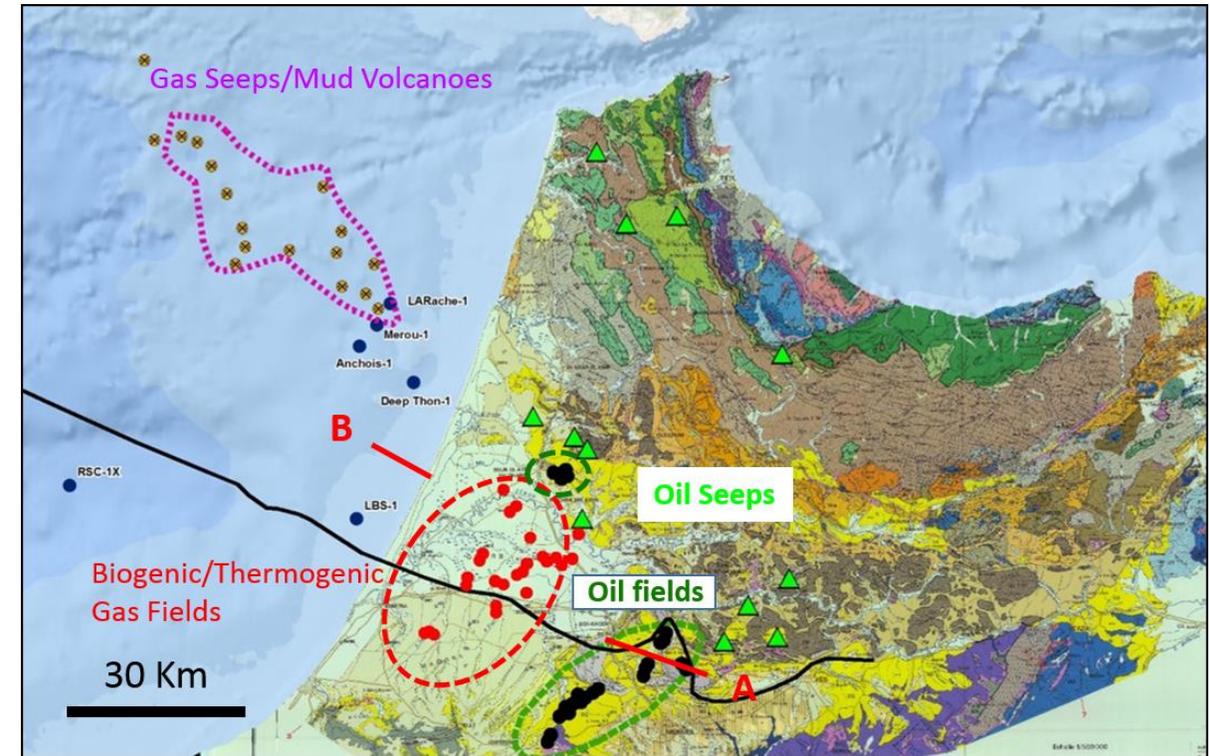
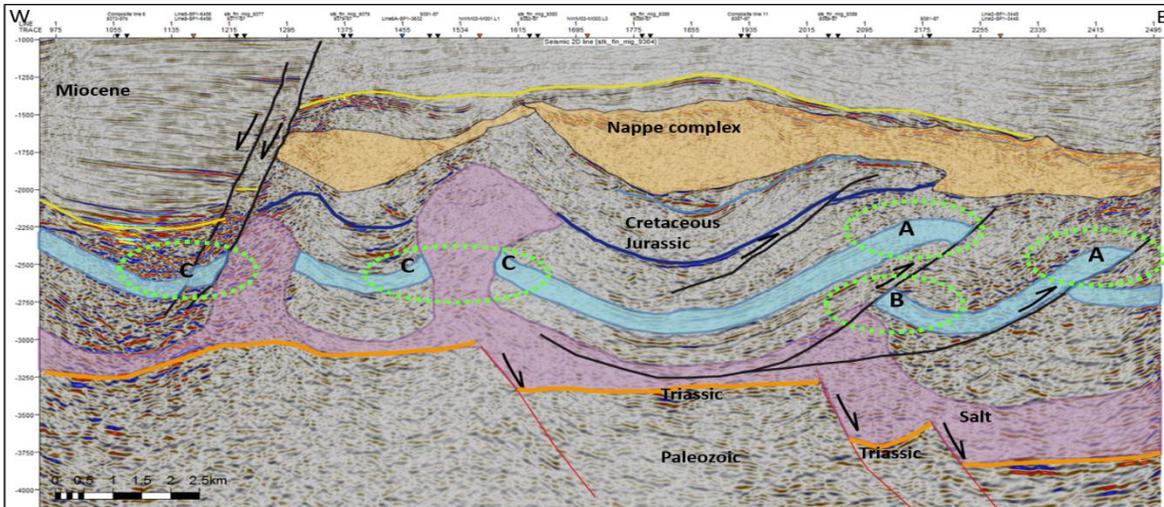
UNTESTED SUBTHRUST PROSPECTS/LEADS AND ANALOGS

Onshore Line A: Jurassic play positively tested in overthrust structures



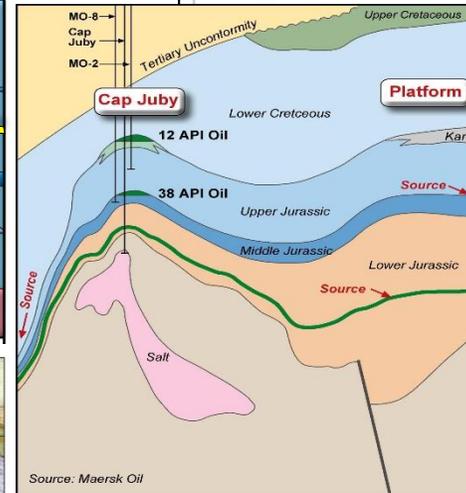
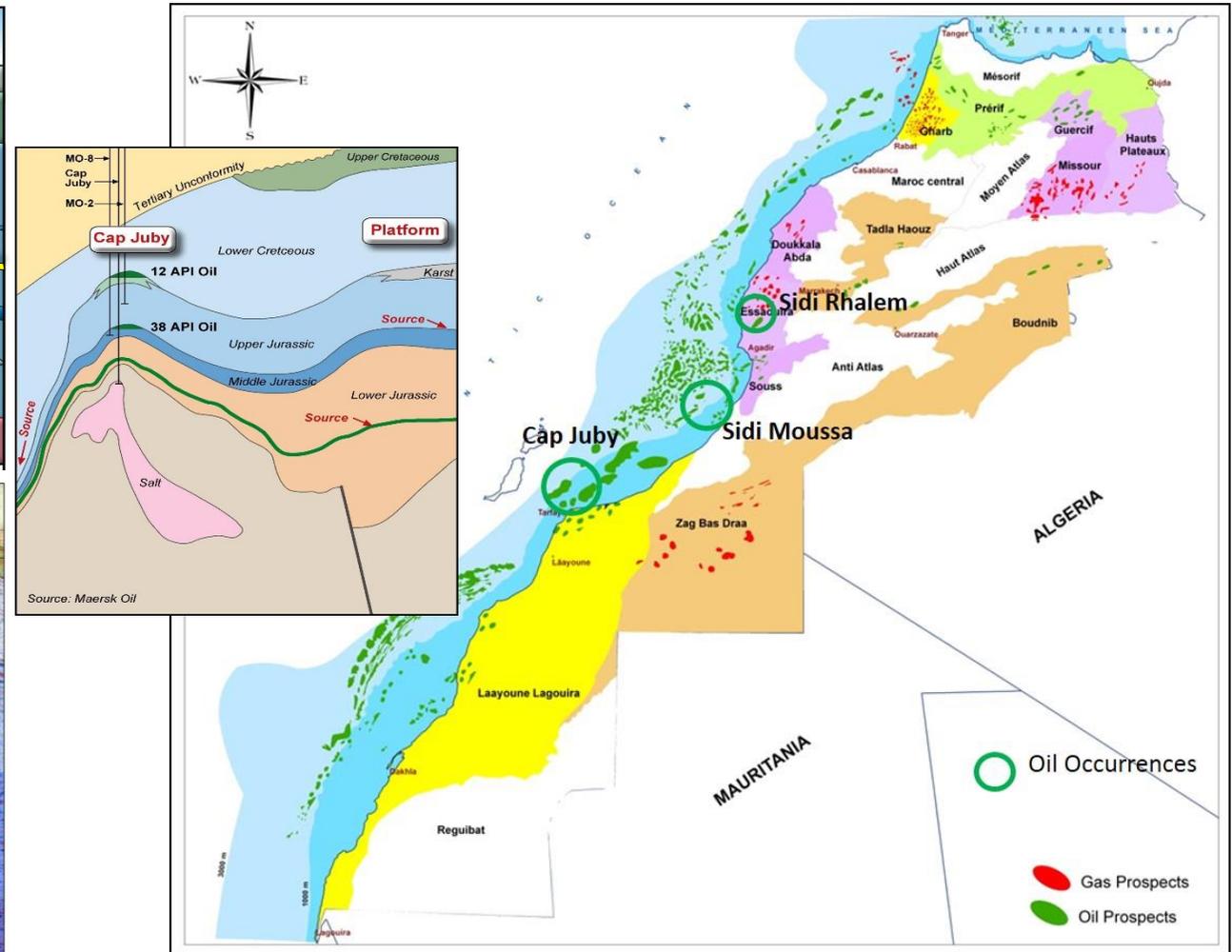
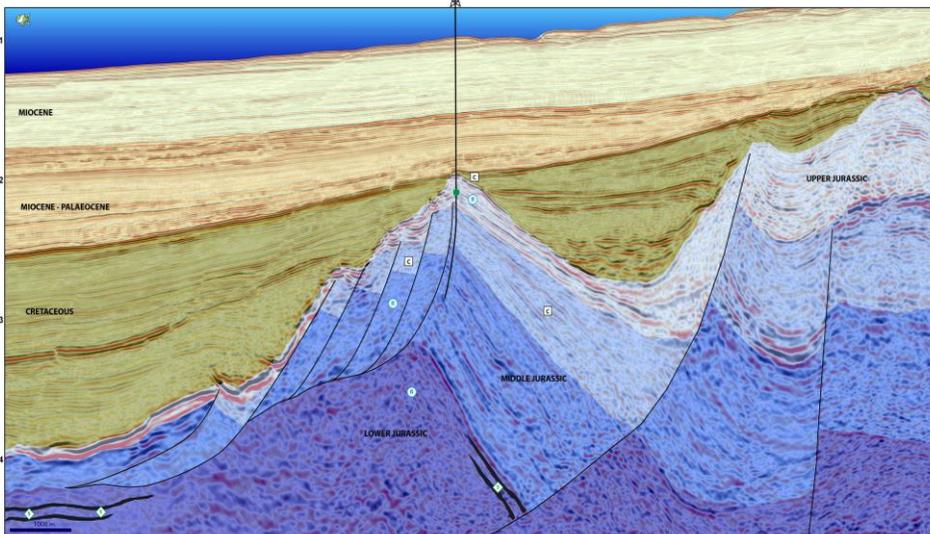
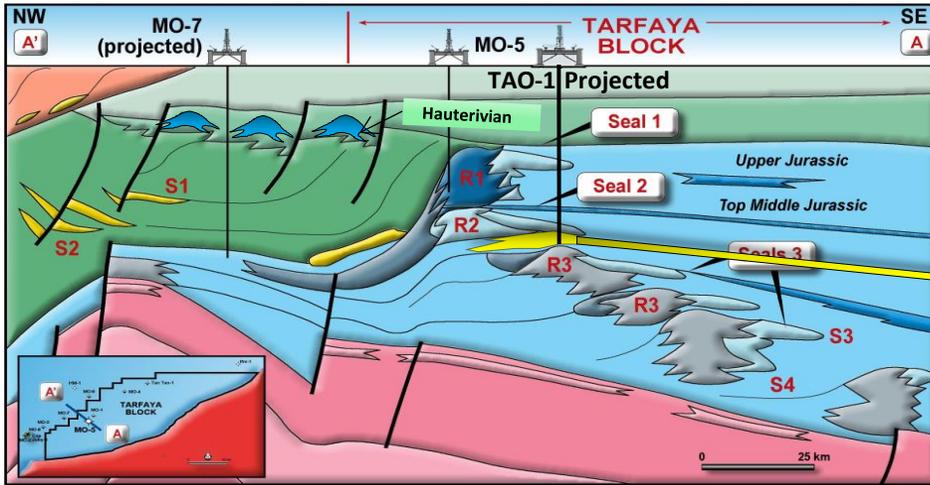
- Onshore overthrust structures positively tested: Tsefet, Bou Draa, Ain Hamra, Tselfat, Boudraa, Baton etc...
- Offshore Ovrthrust (A), subthrust (B) and salt related structures (C) remain untested

Offshore Line B: Untested Jurassic play



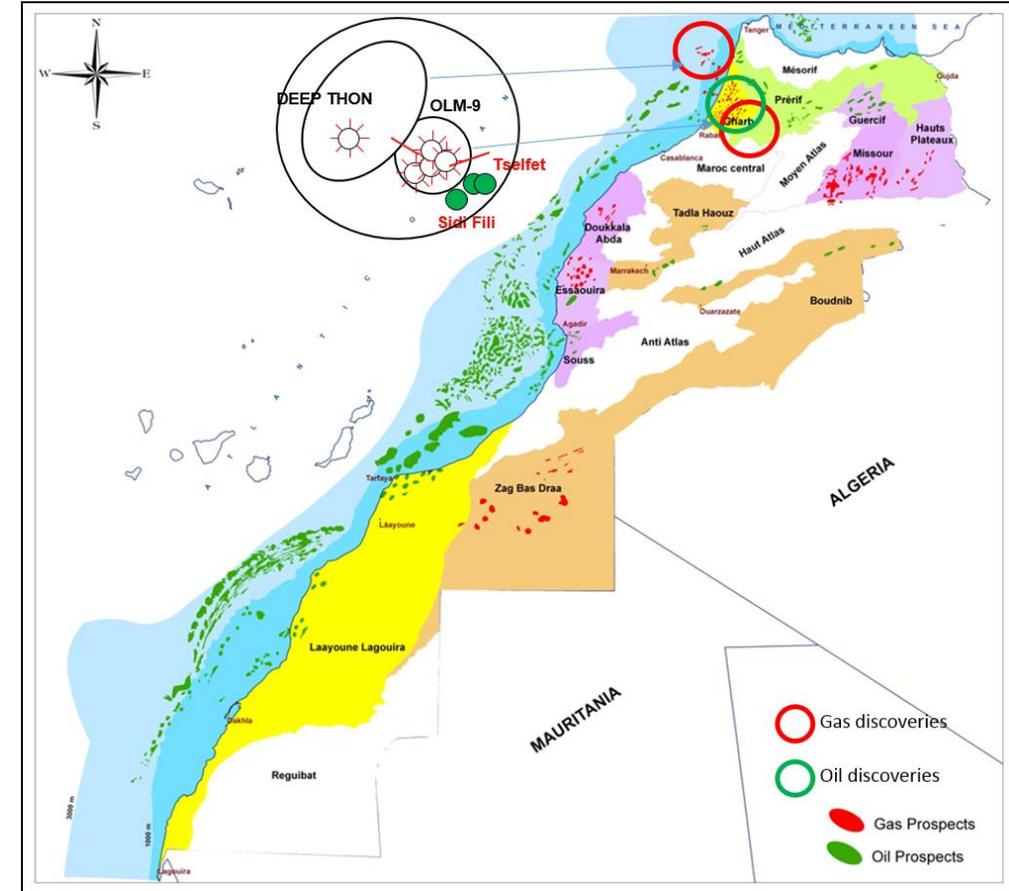
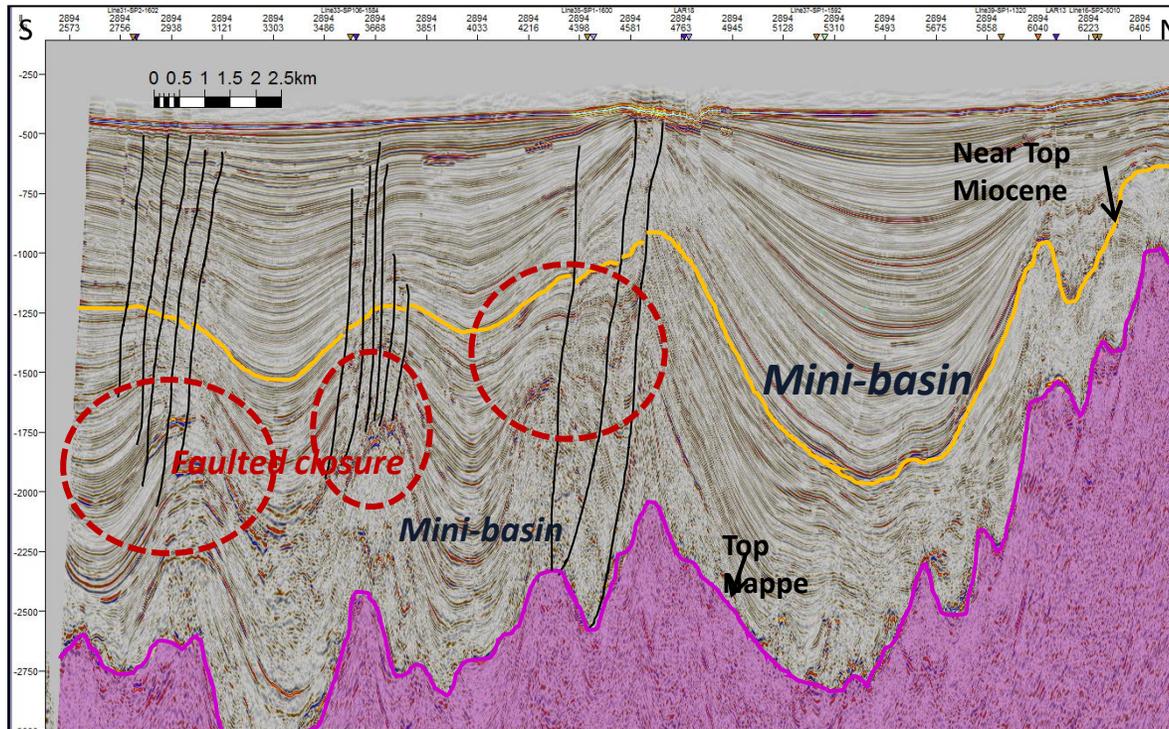
JURASSIC PLATFORM PLAY

- Oil field (Sidi Rhalem), heavy and light oils accumulations (Cap Juby and Sidi Moussa) are associated with the Jurassic platform play and give strong evidence of working petroleum systems.
- New focus on down faulted blocs, reefs and oolite shoals sealed by Cretaceous shale.



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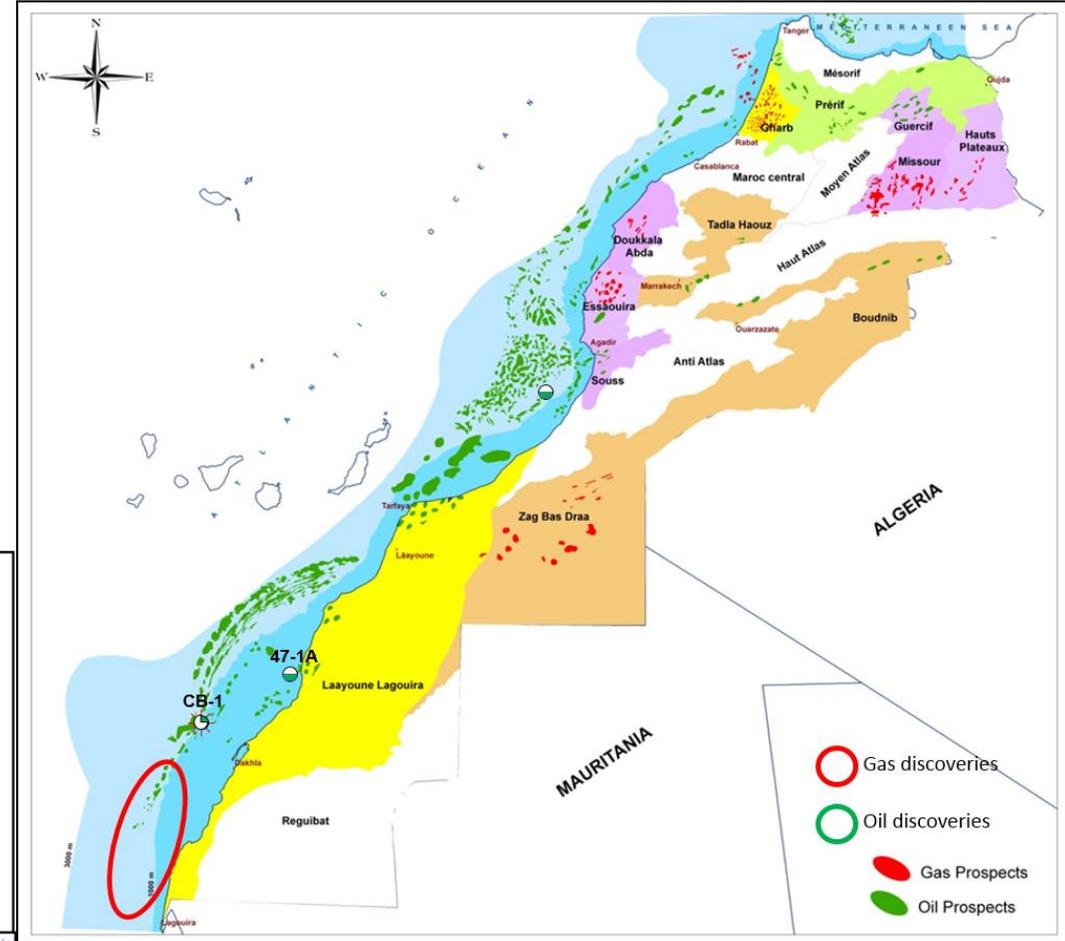
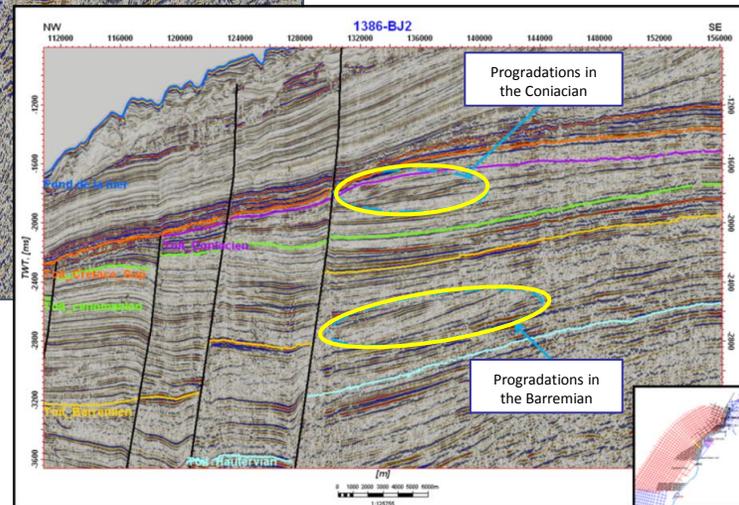
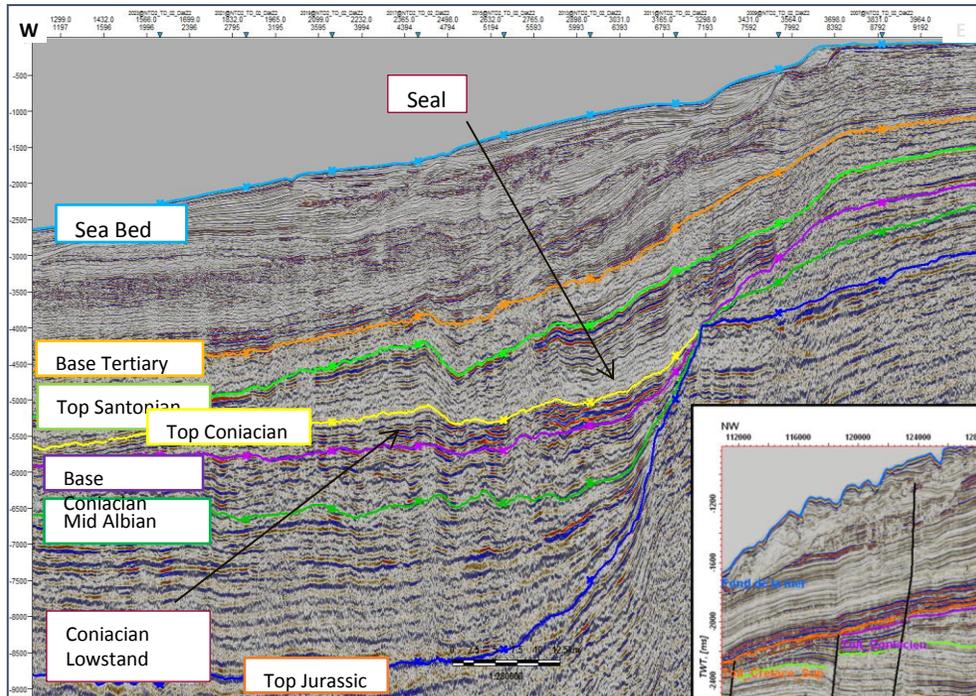
- Biogenic and thermogenic gas in the Miocene turbidite sandstones.
- Alpine tectonics related structures, involving Mesozoic strata within the accretionary wedge “Nappe” and underneath, show up on adequately reprocessed 3D seismic, to constitute new play in the area.



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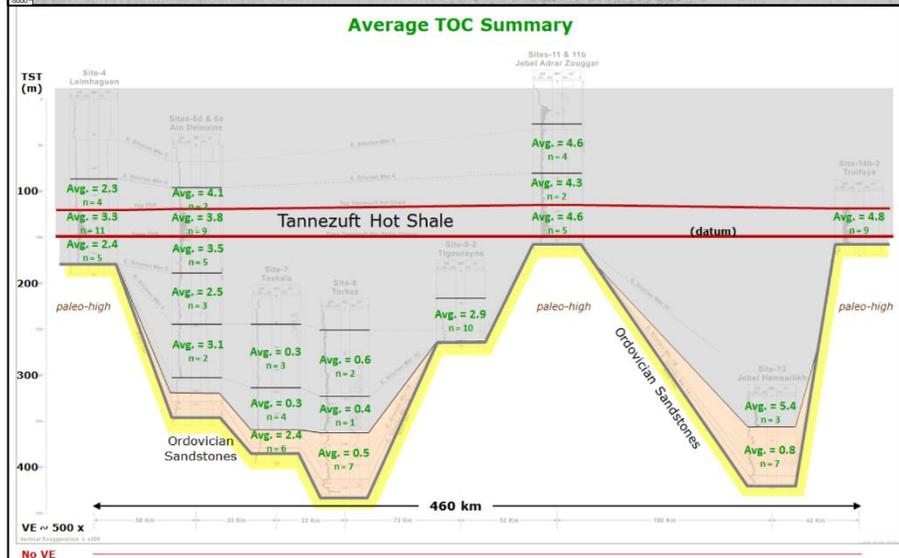
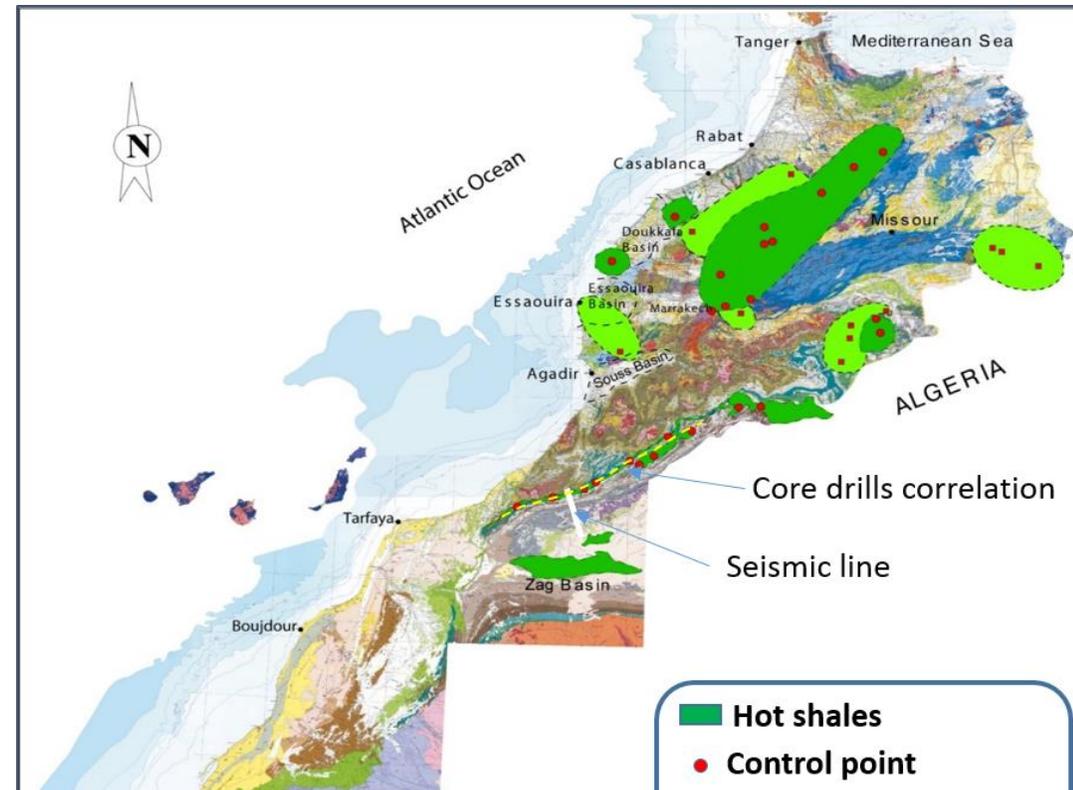
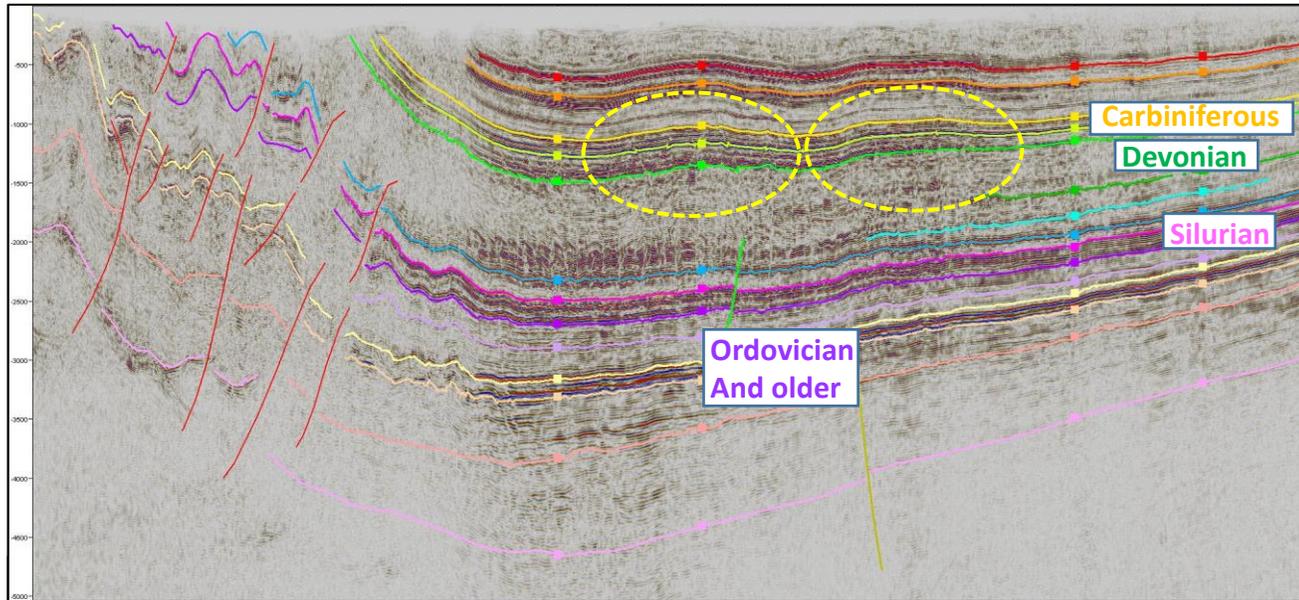
Upper Cretaceous Turbidite Play

- Stratigraphic traps and slope tectonics related structures involving the Upper Cretaceous (Coniacian) turbidite sandstones to be sourced from underlying organic rich Cenomanian Turonian source rocks.

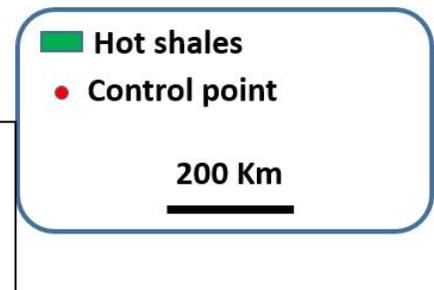


CURRENT PLAYS

Conventional and non conventional



1. Source Rock : **Silurian hot shale & Frasnian shale**
2. Migration: **Vertical through faults & lateral**
3. Reservoir : **Carboniferous sandstones and Devonian carbonates/Sandstones**
4. Seal: **Palaeozoic interbedded shale & marls**
5. Trap: **Hercynian structures**



CONCLUSION

- **The Moroccan geology is, by its sedimentary and tectonic diversity, considerably favorable for oil and gas generation and production**
- **Strong evidences for the existence of several working petroleum systems, through producing fields, oil and gas accumulations or shows and oil or gas seeps ;**
- **Myriad of play concepts are developed in different sedimentary basins and different geological times in Morocco ;**
- **The so far drilled wells have tested two plays and encountered modest hydrocarbon or shows even though some did not penetrate thick reservoir intervals;**
- **The flagship exploration plays are driven by hydrocarbon occurrences in their neighborhood and their analogies with successful cases in Morocco;**

A photograph of an oil rig at sunset. The sun is a large, bright yellow circle on the left side of the frame, partially obscured by clouds. The sky is a deep orange and yellow. The oil rig is a dark silhouette on the right side of the frame, with a tall derrick structure. The ocean is visible at the bottom of the frame.

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