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Eni strikes gas at Nasim well in Egypt Med

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Eni has made a gas discovery at the Nasim exploration well in Egypt's Mediterranean sector, with the partnership planning a fast-track tie-in to existing infrastructure via a new subsea pipeline. The find adds to Eni's established position in Egyptian offshore gas, where the Italian major operates several producing assets in the same basin.

The Nasim well result confirms continued exploration potential in Egypt's Mediterranean acreage, a region that has delivered significant gas volumes over the past decade and remains a focus for regional and international operators alike. The decision to pursue a fast-track development path signals confidence in the commercial viability of the discovery and suggests reservoir parameters are considered sufficient to justify early monetisation.

The chosen development concept — a subsea tie-in via a new pipeline to existing infrastructure — is a well-established approach in the Egyptian Mediterranean, where Eni and its partners have built out a network of subsea assets and processing facilities. This strategy minimises the need for standalone topsides and reduces capital expenditure relative to greenfield development, while compressing the timeline from discovery to first gas. The subsea pipeline component will require engineering, procurement, and installation work, alongside associated subsea production system scopes including wellheads, manifolds, and flowlines.

Egypt's Mediterranean sector has been one of the more active deepwater and offshore gas exploration frontiers on the African continent in recent years, anchored by large-scale developments and a domestic gas market that absorbs significant

volumes while also supporting LNG export capacity. Fast-track tie-back developments of the type planned at Nasim are consistent with Egypt's broader objective of maintaining and growing its gas production base as mature fields decline. The country's gas infrastructure density in this sector — including pipelines, processing platforms, and onshore reception terminals — makes incremental tie-back projects technically and commercially attractive compared with more frontier basins.

No figures for estimated recoverable volumes, well depth, or contract values were disclosed in the available reporting. The composition of the partnership beyond Eni's operatorship was not specified in the source material. Further technical disclosures and project sanction timelines are expected as front-end engineering progresses and regulatory approvals are sought from Egyptian authorities.

Why this matters to partners and clients of Saga

The project is currently at discovery stage with a fast-track concept selected but no contracts announced; Norwegian service companies should monitor for upcoming FEED and EPCI tender activity. The subsea pipeline and tie-back scope — flowlines, wellheads, manifolds, and installation — aligns directly with Norwegian subsea and pipeline specialists. Relationship-building with Eni's Egypt procurement and project teams is the appropriate near-term action, not procurement outreach.

PARTNER ANGLES

- **Subsea:** Subsea tie-back scope covering wellheads, manifolds, and flowlines is a natural fit — monitor for FEED and EPCI tender release as project matures.
- **Pipeline:** New subsea pipeline required for the tie-in presents an installation and engineering scope; track project sanction for tender opportunity.
- **Drilling:** Appraisal or development well drilling may follow discovery confirmation; monitor Eni Egypt's well programme announcements.
- **FPSO:** Tie-back concept uses existing infrastructure, limiting standalone FPSO scope, but host facility upgrade or life-extension work may emerge.

- **Service:** Well services and subsea inspection, maintenance, and repair contracts typically follow fast-track tie-back sanctions — register with Eni Egypt supplier database now.

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