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Angola's ANPG Launches Public Consultation on 2025-2050 Hydrocarbon Strategy

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Angola's National Agency for Petroleum, Gas and Biofuels (ANPG) has initiated a broad public consultation process on the country's Hydrocarbon Strategy covering the period 2025 to 2050. The move signals that Angola's upstream regulator is actively shaping the long-term framework that will govern petroleum, gas, and biofuels activity across the country for the next quarter-century.

The consultation process is described as wide-ranging, suggesting the ANPG is seeking input from multiple stakeholders — likely including industry players, civil society, and international partners — before finalising the strategic document. A formal long-horizon strategy of this kind typically sets the regulatory, fiscal, and operational parameters that will define how exploration, development, and production activities are structured and incentivised over the coming decades.

For international oil and gas service companies, the significance of this process lies in what the final strategy will determine: licensing rounds, development priorities, infrastructure investment requirements, decommissioning timelines, and the pace of any energy transition integration within Angola's hydrocarbon sector. Angola is one of Sub-Saharan Africa's largest oil producers, and a 25-year strategic framework of this scope is likely to address not only conventional crude production but also gas monetisation and emerging biofuels pathways — all of which carry material implications for the service sector.

The public consultation phase also represents a rare window during which international companies can engage directly with the shaping of policy, either through formal submissions or through industry associations and bilateral channels. Norwegian service companies with an established footprint or ambitions in Angola should monitor the consultation closely and consider whether engagement — directly or via sector bodies — is warranted. The final strategy, once published, will serve as a foundational reference document for any market entry or expansion planning in Angola through mid-century.

While the article does not detail the specific content or provisional conclusions of the strategy, the very fact that ANPG is conducting a structured, public process points to a regulator seeking legitimacy and broad alignment for what is clearly a consequential policy document. Companies that track this process and engage early will be better positioned to understand upcoming licensing terms, infrastructure gaps, and service demand trajectories as Angola works to sustain and potentially grow its hydrocarbon output through 2050.

Why this matters to partners and clients of Saga

Norwegian service companies should register this consultation as an early signal of Angola's long-term contracting and infrastructure pipeline — engaging now, through industry bodies or direct submissions, positions firms ahead of any licensing or tendering activity that flows from the finalised strategy. Saga Advisory recommends monitoring ANPG communications closely and advising clients with existing Angolan exposure to seek clarity on how the 2025-2050 framework will affect current and planned operations.

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- **Subsea/FPSO:** A 25-year strategy will likely define Angola's deepwater development pipeline; early visibility into planned field development phases is critical for FPSO and subsea system positioning.
- **Drilling:** Licensing round timelines embedded in the final strategy will determine rig demand forecasts — drilling contractors should track publication closely.
- **LNG:** Gas monetisation is expected to feature in a strategy of this scope, potentially flagging new LNG or gas infrastructure opportunities worth monitoring.

- **Pipeline:** Long-term hydrocarbon infrastructure planning may identify onshore and offshore pipeline gaps that Norwegian pipeline engineering firms could address.
- **Service:** Well services and maintenance companies should use the consultation period to map anticipated production sustainability requirements under the new strategic framework.

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