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Sangomar FPSO certifies 14 Senegalese technicians

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Fourteen Senegalese technicians and operators employed by MODEC Sénégal have completed a certified training programme qualifying them to work aboard the FPSO LSS on the Sangomar project, operated by Woodside Energy. Certificates were presented on 17 July 2026 at a closing ceremony organised by Senegal's Institut National du Pétrole et du Gaz (INPG) in partnership with IFP Training, attended by senior figures from the Senegalese oil and gas industry and the national local content oversight body, the ST-CNSCL.

The programme is a direct output of the local content commitments operators are required to embed in their development plans under Senegalese regulations. The ST-CNSCL — the technical secretariat of the national local content committee — monitors compliance with those plans and tracks the progressive replacement of expatriate technical and operational roles with qualified Senegalese nationals. Dr Mor Bakhoun, the ST-CNSCL's Technical Secretary, used the ceremony to underline that local content obligations extend beyond regulatory compliance: they rest fundamentally on investment in human capital, consistent with the government's Vision Sénégal 2050 economic transformation agenda.

For the Sangomar project, this cohort represents a concrete step toward increasing Senegalese participation in FPSO operations. The fourteen newly certified individuals are described by the ST-CNSCL as future contributors to the ongoing operational workforce aboard the FPSO LSS, with their qualifications positioned as a building block for broader workforce nationalisation across technical and operational

disciplines. MODEC, as the FPSO contractor on the project, sponsored the trainees through the INPG-IFP Training curriculum.

The certification event signals that Senegal's local content enforcement infrastructure is moving from policy articulation to measurable output. With Sangomar now in production, the pressure on operators and contractors to demonstrate workforce localisation milestones — rather than simply file plans — is intensifying. The ST-CNSCL's visible presence at the ceremony reinforces that compliance monitoring is active, not passive, and that training pipelines feeding directly into FPSO operations will be a recurring feature of the regulatory landscape for the life of the asset.

Why this matters to partners and clients of Saga

Norwegian service companies already active on Sangomar or pursuing future scopes should treat this development as a signal that Senegalese local content enforcement is maturing and will be applied to all contractors, not just the operator and FPSO provider. Companies not yet engaged should monitor ST-CNSCL reporting and build relationships with INPG and IFP Training as preferred channels for meeting workforce localisation obligations. No procurement outreach is triggered by this item; it is a training milestone, not a contract award or tender.

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- **FPSO:** MODEC's sponsorship of this cohort sets a visible benchmark — FPSO service subcontractors bidding on Sangomar scopes should audit their own local training pipelines against ST-CNSCL expectations before submitting tenders.
- **Subsea:** Subsea contractors targeting future Sangomar tie-back or inspection scopes should engage INPG as a curriculum partner now to establish local training credentials ahead of any competitive process.
- **Drilling:** Drilling service companies active in Senegal should assess whether their local workforce development plans satisfy the same standard the ST-CNSCL is now publicly benchmarking against MODEC.

- **Service:** Norwegian well services and maintenance firms should note that IFP Training is the established in-country training partner — co-developing modules with IFP Training is a practical route to demonstrating local content compliance.

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