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Akakus opens prequalification for Sharara fire-suppression upgrade

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Akakus Oil Operations has launched a prequalification process for the redesign and full modernisation of the fire suppression system at the Sharara field, specifically at site GOSB-A-NC-115. The tender reference is BC-2026-SAFETY-002, and the deadline for submission of prequalification documents is 27 May 2026.

The Sharara field is one of Libya's largest producing oil fields, and the scope of this prequalification covers a complete overhaul of fire and gas safety infrastructure at the GOSB-A facility within the NC-115 concession block. Akakus Oil Operations, the operator of the field, is seeking qualified contractors to participate in the formal tender process that will follow successful prequalification. The announcement is currently published in Arabic, indicating that the primary engagement channel will be through Akakus's Libyan procurement office.

For Norwegian service companies, fire suppression and safety system modernisation on producing oilfield infrastructure is a well-established competency area, covering active fire protection design, deluge systems, fire and gas detection integration, and associated control systems. The GOSB-A site context suggests permanent surface production facilities where international safety engineering standards are applicable. The prequalification stage means that the formal contract award remains some distance away, and no contract value or project execution timeline has been disclosed at this stage.

Libya's upstream sector has seen gradual but uneven recovery following years of political instability, and Akakus continues to operate the Sharara field as one of the

country's key production centres. Safety system upgrades at major producing facilities reflect both operational necessity and the operator's efforts to maintain international standards. Norwegian companies considering engagement should note that Libya's procurement environment carries elevated compliance and logistics risk, and that local partner arrangements or regional representatives will likely be essential for a credible prequalification submission.

Why this matters to partners and clients of Saga

This is an active prequalification notice with a firm submission deadline of 27 May 2026, making it actionable now for Norwegian companies with fire and gas safety system competencies. Partners should assess whether they meet Akakus's prequalification criteria and, if so, initiate contact through the operator's procurement channel — either directly or via a regional representative with Libyan market access. Given the early stage, the priority is securing a slot in the qualified supplier list ahead of the formal tender, not procurement outreach on contract terms.

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- **Service:** Fire and gas safety engineering specialists should evaluate the BC-2026-SAFETY-002 prequalification criteria immediately given the 27 May 2026 deadline.
- **Subsea/FPSO:** Companies with surface facility safety system integration experience on large oil production sites may find the GOSB-A scope relevant to their onshore operations portfolio.
- **Drilling:** Drilling service companies already mobilised in the Sharara/NC-115 area could leverage existing Akakus relationships to support or co-bid on the safety upgrade scope.
- **Pipeline:** Pipeline and process safety specialists familiar with large Libyan oilfield infrastructure should assess whether their safety system credentials meet Akakus's prequalification requirements.

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