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Mellitah seeks pipeline maintenance firms for Elephant Field

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Mellitah Oil & Gas has issued a pre-qualification invitation for maintenance services on high-pressure overhead pipelines in Contract Area 'H' of the Elephant Field in Libya. The notice, published 6 July 2026 under tender reference PRQ-186-FEL-26, carries a closing date of 13 July 2026 at 14:00 Libyan time, giving prospective bidders a narrow seven-day window to submit pre-qualification documentation.

The Elephant Field is operated under the Mellitah Oil & Gas joint venture, a partnership between Italy's ENI and the Libyan National Oil Corporation. Contract Area 'H' sits within this broader concession, and the scope here covers maintenance of high-pressure overhead pipeline infrastructure — a technically demanding discipline requiring certified competency in pressure systems, inspection regimes, and integrity management in a North African operating environment.

Libya's upstream sector has shown incremental signs of operational recovery in recent years, with Mellitah among the more active operators continuing to tender for field-support services. High-pressure overhead pipeline maintenance is a recurring requirement across mature field operations and demands contractors with demonstrable track records in pipeline integrity, non-destructive testing, corrosion management, and HSE compliance under international standards. The short pre-qualification window suggests Mellitah may be running an accelerated procurement cycle, possibly to address near-term operational continuity requirements at the field.

For service companies, the pre-qualification stage is the critical entry point. Only firms successfully pre-qualified will be invited to participate in the subsequent public

tender. Companies without an existing footprint in Libya should assess whether the timeline allows for the necessary in-country registration and agent arrangements before the 13 July deadline. Those already registered and active in the Libyan market are best positioned to respond immediately.

Norwegian and internationally experienced pipeline service firms with relevant credentials in high-pressure systems should treat this as a live commercial opportunity. The instrument here is an open pre-qualification invitation — a concrete procurement step — making direct action appropriate rather than monitoring alone.

Why this matters to partners and clients of Saga

This is an active pre-qualification tender with a closing date of 13 July 2026, meaning Norwegian pipeline integrity and maintenance service companies should assess eligibility and submit pre-qualification documents immediately if they hold relevant credentials and Libyan market access. Firms without in-country registration should evaluate whether the seven-day window is sufficient to mobilise through a local agent. Partners already active with Mellitah or NOC-affiliated operators in Libya are best placed to move at speed.

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- **Pipeline:** Direct pre-qualification opportunity for firms with high-pressure overhead pipeline maintenance and integrity management experience — submit credentials before 13 July 2026.
- **Service:** Non-destructive testing and corrosion inspection specialists should review PRQ-186-FEL-26 scope and assess whether existing Libyan registration supports a compliant submission.
- **Subsea/FPSO:** Limited direct relevance, but operators with Mellitah relationships should flag this tender internally as a relationship-maintenance touchpoint with a key Libyan JV.
- **Drilling:** No drilling scope in this tender, but drilling-service companies active in Libya should monitor Mellitah's tender portal for concurrent well-services requirements in the Elephant Field concession.



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