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Eni and NOC complete Bouri gas recovery project

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Eni and Libya's National Oil Corporation have completed an offshore gas recovery project at the Bouri field, targeting a reduction in flaring and an increase in gas supply. The project represents a concrete operational milestone at one of Libya's key offshore assets, delivering infrastructure designed to capture gas that was previously burned off and redirect it into productive use.

The Bouri field, located offshore Libya, has long been one of the country's significant hydrocarbon production sites. The completion of this gas recovery project signals a meaningful step forward in Libya's efforts to maximise value from existing fields rather than relying solely on new exploration. Reducing flaring is both an environmental objective and a commercial one — gas captured rather than flared can be monetised through domestic supply networks or export channels, depending on the infrastructure configuration in place.

For Eni, this completion reinforces its long-standing operational footprint in Libya, where the Italian major has maintained a presence through successive periods of political instability. The partnership with NOC remains central to Libya's upstream sector, and project completions of this nature demonstrate that technically complex offshore work continues to advance even within a challenging operating environment. The gas recovery infrastructure required subsea and topside engineering integration to tie in capture and processing capacity to existing facilities at Bouri.

From a broader Libyan energy perspective, the project fits into the NOC's stated ambitions to grow production capacity and reduce hydrocarbon losses. Gas flaring

reduction is increasingly scrutinised by international financiers and offtake partners, and demonstrable progress on emissions-linked metrics strengthens Libya's position in European energy discussions — particularly relevant given ongoing European interest in North African gas as a partial alternative to Russian supply.

The completion is reported as achieved, meaning the engineering and installation phases are behind them. What remains to be seen is the sustained operational performance of the recovered gas volumes and whether this project serves as a template for similar interventions at other Libyan offshore assets. NOC has previously indicated interest in further field development and debottlenecking projects, and Bouri's gas recovery work may provide a replicable model.

Why this matters to partners and clients of Saga

This is a completed project, so the primary procurement window has passed; Norwegian service companies should monitor whether Eni and NOC announce follow-on work, maintenance contracts, or expansion phases at Bouri or comparable Libyan offshore fields. Relationship-building with Eni's Libya procurement teams and NOC's technical division is the appropriate near-term action, particularly for companies with subsea tie-back, topside processing, and gas handling expertise. Watch for any formal tender or EOI announcements linked to Libya's broader flaring-reduction programme before committing outreach resources.

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- **Subsea:** Assess whether the Bouri gas recovery tie-in required subsea infrastructure upgrades that may need inspection, maintenance, or future expansion work open to third-party contractors.
- **FPSO:** Bouri has historically used floating production assets; monitor whether the gas recovery project drives modifications or additional processing capacity on existing floaters that Norwegian FPSO operators or modifiers could support.
- **Service:** Gas capture and flaring-reduction projects require metering, compression, and integrity management services — Norwegian well service and instrumentation companies should map their relevant portfolios against NOC's ongoing technical needs.

- **Pipeline:** Gas recovered at Bouri may require additional export or injection pipeline capacity; track whether NOC issues tenders for pipeline tie-ins or subsea flowline work linked to this or adjacent fields.

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