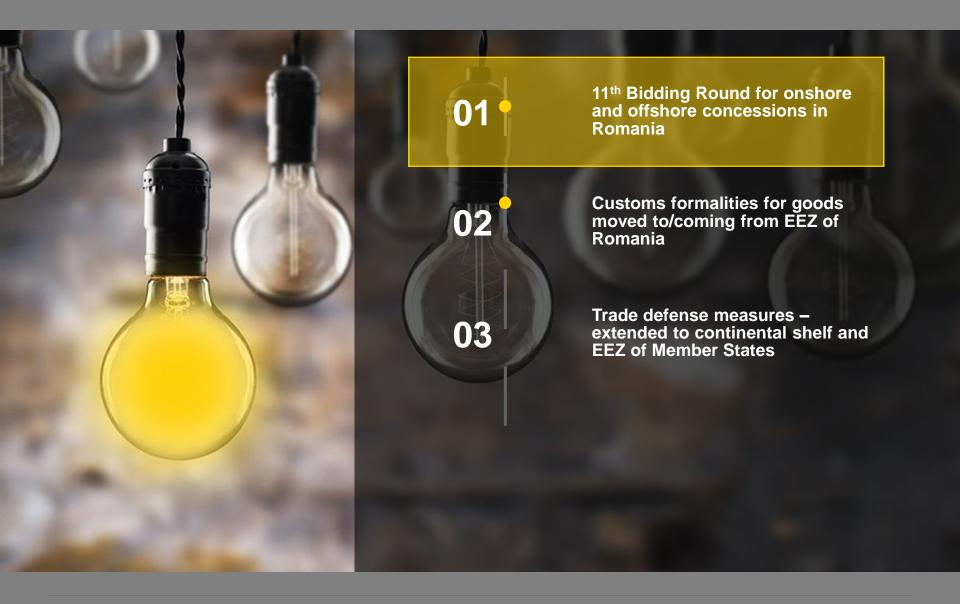
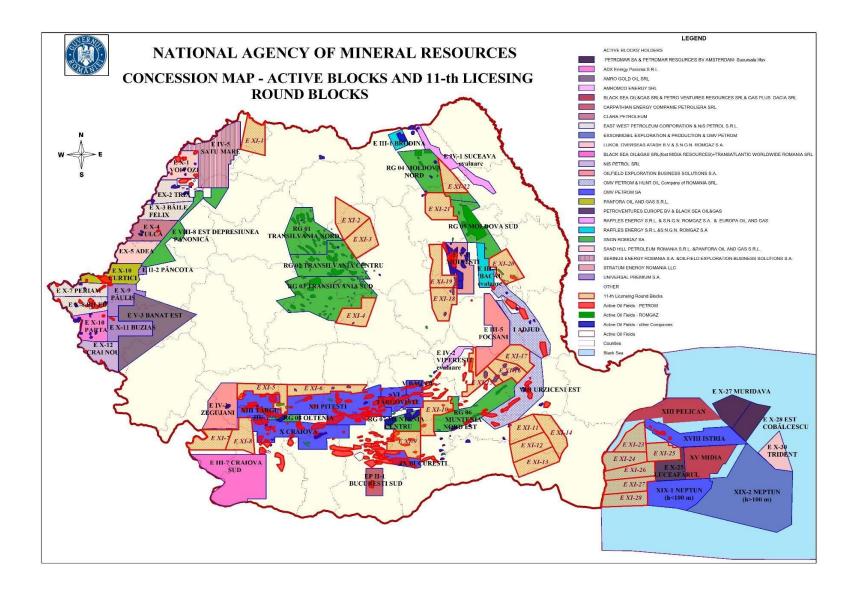
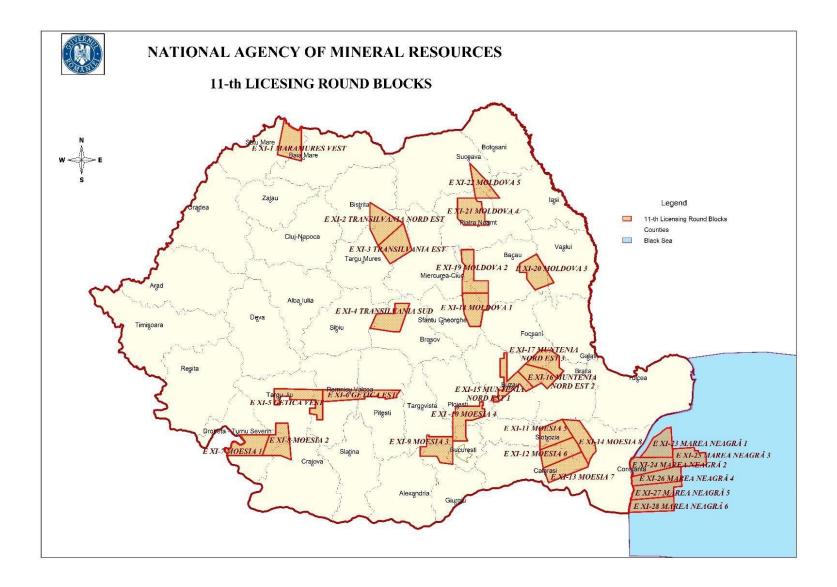
# Offshore developments in Romania

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### Bidding

#### Block specific data packages

#### 28 data packages for 22 onshore blocks and 6 offshore blocks prepared

Available for license on a non-exclusive basis.

Includes seismic sections, well logs and location data.

The purchase of a license-to-use a block-specific package is a requirement to participate in the round.

Companies purchasing use of the data will be required to sign a standard license-to-use agreement prior to delivery.

#### Data package structure

#### Describes the petroleum geology, plays, leads and prospectivity of the block

- ➡ Location map
- Bidding requirements
- → All available data (maps and tables)
- Block coordinates and excluded areas (existing fields under concession)
- → Map showing environmental protected areas
- Geological setting (lithology, tectonics, hydrocarbon potential)
- Enclosures: maps, key seismic sections, key well logs, etc.

#### Block specific data package format

#### 28 data packages for 22 onshore blocks and 6 offshore blocks prepared

**Graphical part on paper format** consisting of the tender package and the graphical annexes (lines, maps and plotted wells)

**Digital part** including information on DVD (*segy* seismic lines, lines, wells and interpreted sections in jpg format, coordinates...)

ArcGIS Project on DVD

## Biding

A company may bid for one or more open blocks in its own right, or on behalf of a consortium

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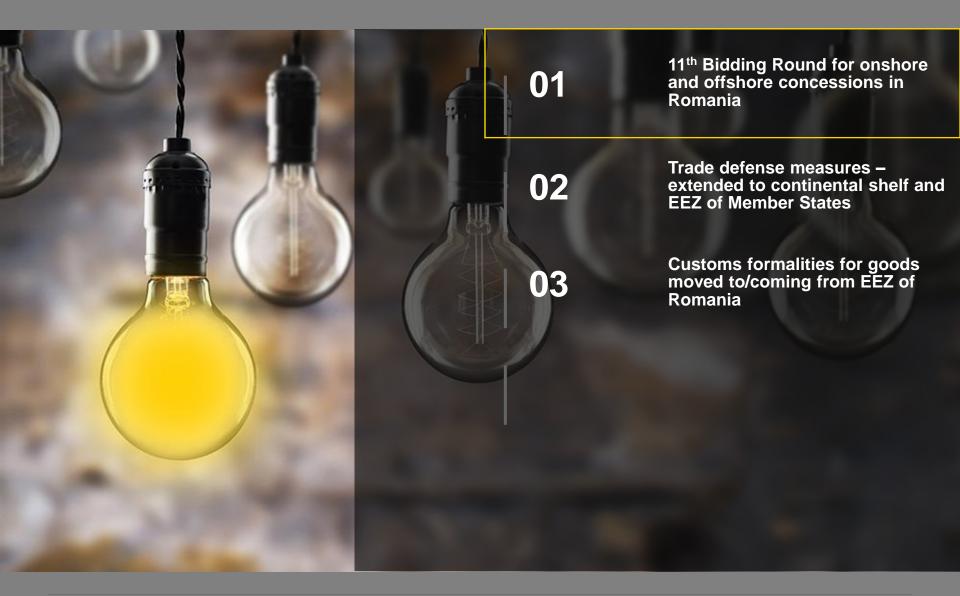
The qualification document, the content of which is set out in the Bidding Procedure;

- Demonstration of financial capability is mandatory for all applicants
- Demonstration of both technical and financial capability is mandatory for applicants intending to bid alone, or as appointed operator of a consortium
- Proposed minimum exploration program and expenditure commitment;
- Environmental impact mitigation;
- Proposed training and transfer of technology program.

## **Biding**

Publication of the list of blocks on offer in the Official Monitor of Romania, according to The Petroleum Law

- Publication of notice inviting applications in the Official Journal of the European Union, according to 94/22/EC Directive – marks the official launch of the 11th Licensing Round
- Data room and data package distribution, companies prepare proposals
- Deadline for submission of offers on the 120th working day after the official launch
- ➡ NAMR evaluates bids tentatively 30 days after the submission deadline
- Notification of bid qualification status
- NAMR and company negotiations
- Contract signing



#### **Trade defence measures** Extended to continental shelf and EEZ of EU Member States

- ✓ New customs rules → levying anti-dumping and/or countervailing duty on goods brought to:
  - an artificial island, on a fixed or floating installation or on any other structure on the continental shelf or in the exclusive economic zone of a Member State
  - goods coming from non-EU or EU to such places → need to be followed by a declaration of receipt submitted by consignee to competent customs office
  - ! full application of the procedure starting with November 2019;



#### ✓ Which goods are subject to the procedure ?

Goods subject to:

- a notice of initiation of an anti-dumping or anti-subsidy investigation;
- a Commission Implementing Regulation whereby imports are subject to registration;
- a Commission Implementing Regulation imposing a provisional or definitive anti-dumping or countervailing duties

#### ✓ Legislative basis

- EU Regulation no. 1131/2019
- ! No Romanian local rules yet

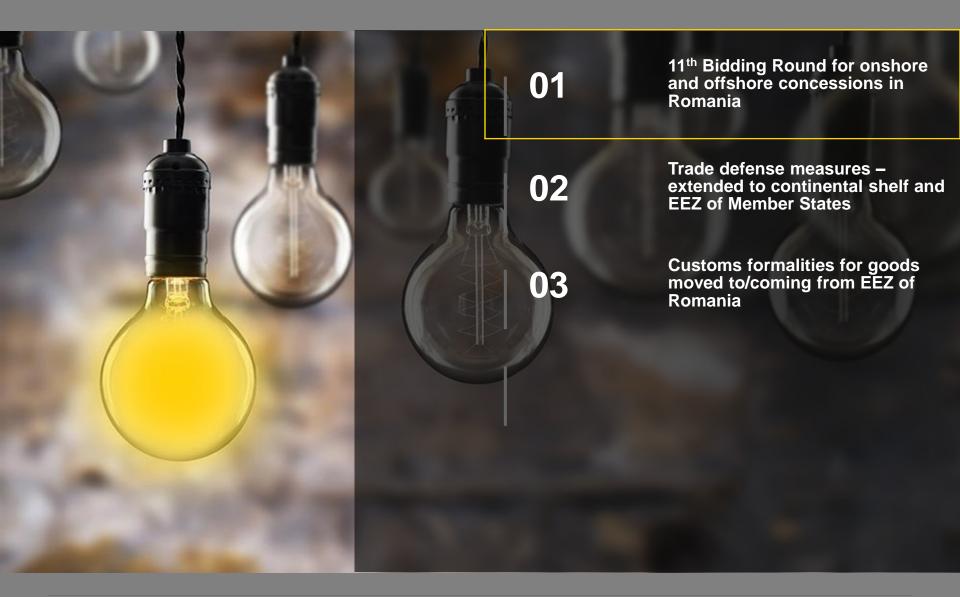
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## Deep practical knowledge of customs, excise and VAT implications of offshore drilling

Three people only arranged and visited a full working offshore rig in the Romanian Black Sea.



## Customs formalities Goods moved to/coming from EEZ of Romania

- New approach of the Exclusive Economic Zone from a customs duties perspective
  - EU goods moved to EEZ = Export formalities needed (goods will loose EU status);
  - Non-EU goods brought directly to EEZ = No import formalities needed (still remain non-EU goods)
  - Goods coming from EEZ to Romanian shore = Import/Reimport formalities needed (they become EU goods)





## Customs formalities Goods moved to/coming from EEZ of Romania

- ✓ What are the challenges ?
  - EEZ of Romania = still remains tax territory in terms of VAT and EXCISE
  - VAT & Excise duties become chargeable;
  - Reimbursement of any applicable customs duties for EU goods brought back from EEZ to EU shore (3 years timeframe)
  - Customs duties economies = application of special customs regimes

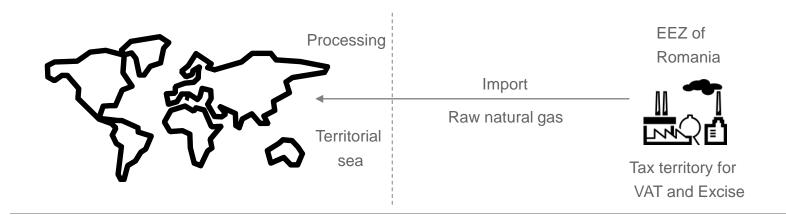




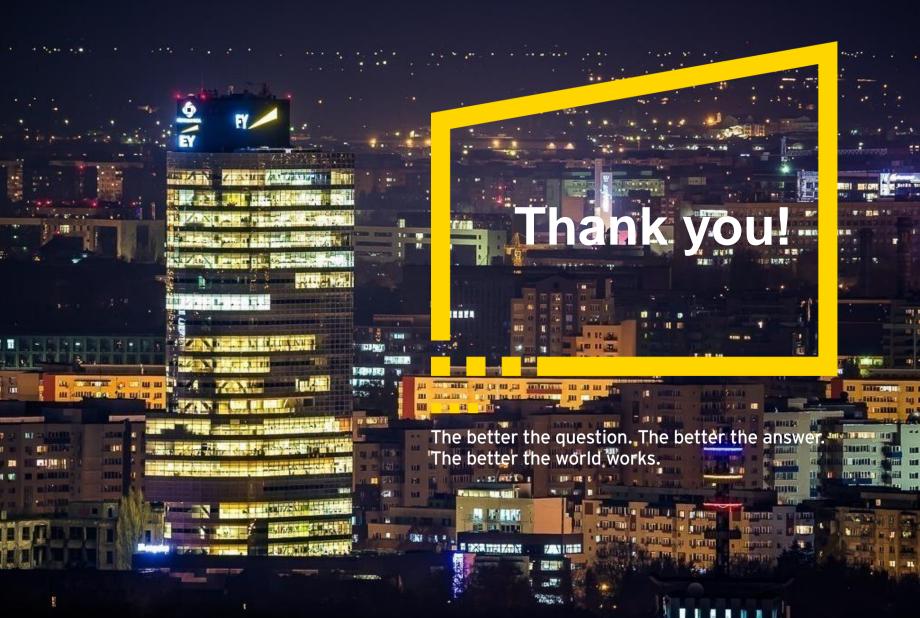
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# Example: Unprocessed natural gas coming from EEZ to onshore destined for further processing

- Import customs clearance vs. use of a special customs regime (e.g. IPR, warehousing ?)
- Excise duties and import VAT become chargeable upon release for free circulation in EU territory
- Excise treatment of further transactions with the processed natural gas







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