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### GAS PRODUCTION FROM WEST NILE DELTA'S RAVEN FIELD

- Major milestone achieved with start-up of third phase of West Nile Delta project
- The fifth field in the offshore project, Raven will significantly boost production of WND

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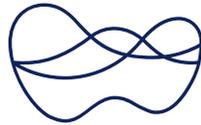
**Cairo/Kassel.** Wintershall Dea and operator bp produce gas from Raven, the fifth field of the offshore West Nile Delta project. Currently, Raven's gross production is approximately 600 million standard cubic feet of gas per day (mmscf/d). At its peak, the Raven field is expected to deliver a gross production of 900 mmscf/d and approximately 30,000 barrels of condensate per day (gross production). The onshore facilities – including the new Raven facility – now have a total gas processing capacity of around 1.4 billion standard cubic feet of gas per day (bcf/d).

“West Nile Delta is a strategically significant project for Egypt's energy security and an important part of Wintershall Dea's gas-weighted portfolio, so we are pleased to have reached this milestone” said Mario Mehren, Chief Executive Officer of Wintershall Dea.

Wintershall Dea, Europe's leading independent gas and oil company, holds a 17.25 per cent stake in the West Nile Delta project, with bp holding the remaining 82.75 per cent as operator. The project involves

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five fields in the North Alexandria and West Mediterranean Deepwater offshore concession blocks, delivered in three stages. The first, Taurus/Libra, began production in March 2017; the second, Giza/Fayoum, in February 2019. Overall, the project involves twenty-five wells and three deep water long distance subsea tiebacks to the shore. The gas produced is for domestic consumption.

Dawn Summers, Chief Operating Officer and board member responsible for the Middle East and North Africa, comments: "Wintershall Dea is proud to be a long-term, reliable partner for Egypt, with a 45 year track record of investment and stable energy production for the country. Our investment in the West Nile Delta project reflects our ongoing commitment to Egypt and its strong and attractive energy sector."

Sameh Sabry, Senior Vice President and Managing Director of Wintershall Dea in Egypt, adds: "Our dedicated team has worked closely with bp during a challenging period to help ensure that the project came safely onstream. The startup for Raven is a major step forward. Now we are looking ahead to start our exploration at East Damanhour – our next exciting project in Egypt."

Wintershall Dea will shortly start exploration in the onshore Nile Delta, near to its Disouq operations. Wintershall Dea operates the East Damanhour exploration block. In 2021 the company will begin a drilling campaign involving several wells. Wintershall Dea's activities in Egypt



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also include crude oil production in the Gulf of Suez, and gas production at Disouq in the onshore Nile Delta, in joint ventures with the Egyptian General Petroleum Corporation and with EGAS.

### **About Wintershall Dea**

Wintershall Dea is Europe's leading independent natural gas and oil company with more than 120 years of experience as an operator and project partner along the entire E&P value chain. The company with German roots and headquarters in Kassel and Hamburg explores for and produces gas and oil in 13 countries worldwide in an efficient and responsible manner. With activities in Europe, Russia, Latin America and the MENA region (Middle East & North Africa), Wintershall Dea has a global upstream portfolio and, with its participation in natural gas transport, is also active in the midstream business.

**Wintershall Dea** was formed from the merger of Wintershall Holding GmbH and DEA Deutsche Erdoel AG, in 2019. Today, the company employs around 2,500 people worldwide from over 60 nations.

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