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TotalEnergies EP Block 9 – Lebanon Branch

Block 9: Public Consultation Meetings held prior to exploration well drilling

Beirut, June 1, 2023 – In preparation for the upcoming exploration offshore activities in Block 9, TotalEnergies EP Block 9 – Lebanon Branch (operator) published the Environmental and Social Impact Assessment study (ESIA) on 15 May 2023, on the Lebanese Petroleum Administration and TotalEnergies Lebanon websites for public review.

RSK, an international environmental consultant, together with the Lebanese consulting company, DAR, organized public consultation meetings on behalf of TotalEnergies EP Block 9 – Lebanon Branch on 31 May 2023, in Beirut and 1 June 2023 in Tyre. Public invitations to these meetings were published in two local newspapers (Annahar and Al Akhbar) on 15 and 16 May 2023.

The objective of these meetings was to present the project. Interested stakeholders were invited to comment on the findings of the ESIA study. The public consultation period is expected to take 30 days, in line with the Lebanese regulations. Following this period, the final ESIA report will be submitted to the Ministry of Environment for approval.

TotalEnergies and its partners Eni and QatarEnergy are committed to conducting the exploration well drilling in Block 9 in accordance with international environmental standards and in compliance with the Lebanese applicable regulations.

About TotalEnergies EP Block 9 – Lebanon Branch

TotalEnergies Exploration & Production has been established in Lebanon since 2018, the year during which the two exploration and production agreements for blocks 9 and 4 were signed. As the operator of these two blocks, TotalEnergies completed the first exploration well ever drilled in Lebanese deep waters, in block 4 in early 2020, in accordance with its contractual obligations. With its partners, ENI and QatarEnergy, TotalEnergies is preparing to drill a second exploration well. This well will be drilled in block 9 during the year 2023. <https://totalenergies.com.lb/en/exploration-and-production>



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