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**Private Sector Operators,**  
African Energy, Oil and Gas Sector Operators

**Dear Partners,**

**Subject** : Invitation to participate in CAPE VIII, the 8<sup>th</sup> African  
Petroleum Congress and Exhibition  
16 - 19 May 2022 in Luanda, Republic of Angola

The 8<sup>th</sup> edition of the APPO flagship energy event, the **African Petroleum Congress and Exhibition, CAPE**, comes up from May 16-19, 2022. This time, it is the turn of esteemed Member Country, Angola, to host this very important continental triennial energy event. On behalf of the President of **APPO** and the Government of the Republic of Angola, the host country of CAPE VIII, I am pleased to invite you and your delegation to this triennial continental energy event, which is scheduled to take place in Luanda, Angola.

2. **CAPE VIII** will be the first CAPE since the emergence of COVID-19 with the serious dislocation it brought on the oil and gas industry especially in 2020. It will also be the first since COP-26, which provided the first major opportunity to assess the performance of the world towards meeting the goals of COP-21.

3. Although Africa currently accounts for less than 10% of global oil and gas production, there is a consensus that Africa shall be the hardest hit, economically and socially if the world is to quickly shift away from fossil fuels. This is because even though the continent has over 125 billion barrels and 500 trillion cubic feet of proven reserves of oil and gas respectively, the industry in Africa has largely been dominated by foreign technologies, financiers and operators.

4. CAPE VIII, as with CAPE I in 2003 in Tripoli (Libya), CAPE II in 2005 in Algiers (Algeria); CAPE III in 2007 in Cotonou (Benin); CAPE IV, 2010 in Kinshasa (Democratic Republic of Congo); CAPE V in 2013, in Libreville (Gabonese Republic); CAPE VI in 2016, Abuja (Nigeria) and CAPE VII in 2019 in Sipopo – Malabo (Equatorial Guinea), promises to provide an excellent platform for high level policy and operations discourse on the future of the oil and gas in industry in Africa.

5. Organized under the theme **Energy Transition and the Future of the Oil and Gas Industry in Africa: Opportunities, Challenges and Development**, CAPE VIII will also feature three days of activities including conference, trade exhibition, meeting of Chief Executive Officers (CEO) of the National Oil Companies (NOC) and a Roundtable on Local Content in African. While the organizers shall facilitate bilateral meetings among delegates, there will also be numerous social networking opportunities.

6. By this letter, APPO also confirms accreditation of AME Trade Ltd as co-organizer of this CAPE VIII and requests that they be accorded utmost cooperation and support towards the actualization of these regional industry promotion initiatives. AME Trade can be reached at [www.ametrade.org](http://www.ametrade.org).

7. I also attach a copy of a letter from **H.E. Diamantino Pedro Azevedo**, APPO President and the Minister of Mineral Resources, Petroleum and Gaz of the Republic of Angola confirming the commitment of the host country to the success of this important event.

8. We are using this medium to encourage all the Ministries of Energy, Oil and Gas and parastatals/institutions in the sector to support the Conference by registering delegates, taking up the opportunities for sponsorship and speaking on any aspect of the theme that may be of interest to them and exhibit their products and services at the event.

9. Kindly visit the event website [www.africacape.com](http://www.africacape.com) to get more information about the conference, how to participate and for more understanding about the Conference.

10. CAPE VIII will be a key meeting in the global oil and gas business calendar and we all in APPO, eagerly look forward receiving you and your delegation in Luanda in May 2022.

11. Please accept, **Dear Partners**, the assurance of my total consideration.

  
**Omar Farouk Ibrahim**  
Secretary General



Encl.: The letter from the Minister of Mineral Resources, Petroleum and Gaz of the Republic of Angola