



The President of the Republic of Congo, Denis Sassou N’Guesso, and Eni's Chief Executive Officer, Claudio Descalzi, celebrate the first LNG cargo from Phase 2 of Congo LNG

The Congo LNG project, which has now entered commercial production, is a core component of Eni’s strategy aimed at growing its presence in the global gas and LNG market through cost-competitive projects in diversified geographies.

Pointe-Noire (Republic of Congo), 7 February 2026 - The President of the Republic of Congo, Denis Sassou N’Guesso, and Eni's Chief Executive Officer, Claudio Descalzi, attended today in Pointe-Noire the ceremony marking the first cargo of liquefied natural gas (LNG) from the Nguya FLNG floating facility, signaling the start-up of gas exports from Phase 2 of the Congo LNG project. This represents a further step toward Eni’s target of expanding its LNG portfolio to 20 million tonnes per annum (MTPA) by 2030, leveraging the flexibility, competitiveness and geographical diversification of its equity projects, and is a key milestone in building a leading position in the global LNG market.

With Phase 2, the Congo LNG project reaches a total liquefaction capacity of 3 million tonnes per annum (MTPA) of LNG, equivalent to 4.5 billion cubic metres of gas per year, leveraging gas resources from the Nené and Litchendjili fields in the offshore Marine XII license.

Eni CEO Claudio Descalzi commented: “Today we reach a very important milestone thanks to the relationship of trust built with the country’s institutions and local communities. We have been the only company to invest in gas to develop the domestic market and to reduce routine flaring. This decision, taken more than 20 years ago, led us to discover enough volumes to enable export as well. Phase II of the Congo LNG project was delivered in record time compared with industry averages, increasing gas availability on international markets and contributing to Italian and European energy security, while at the same time generating concrete benefits for the local economy”.



Congo LNG highlights Eni's ability to transform gas resources into strategic value for the country and for international markets, through a cost-competitive project with strong environmental performance. Phase 1 of Congo LNG, launched with the Tango FLNG liquefaction unit, reached start-up in December 2023, just over one year after the project definition. Phase 2 start-up, in turn, comes only 35 months after construction of the Nguya FLNG unit began, setting a new international industry benchmark in terms of execution speed and efficiency.

Eni has been present in the Republic of the Congo since 1968. With equity production of approximately 70 kboed in 2025, expected to rise to 110 kboed in 2026, Eni is currently the country's leading producer of associated and non-associated gas. The company supplies gas to the Congo Power Plant, which provides around 70% of the country's electricity generation capacity, and contributes to the strengthening of the high-voltage transmission network. Eni is also active in initiatives supporting the energy transition, such as the agri-feedstock project, which integrates the country into the biofuels value chain and represents a development lever for the agro-industrial sector, as well as a wide range of programmes aimed at improving local communities' access to energy, water, healthcare and economic diversification.

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