Petroleum Geology of the Russian Far East

A major study based on a comprehensive analysis of the Russian-language and International literature

The Pacific border of Russia’s Far East is perhaps the most accessible major hydrocarbon province in the FSU, lying within easy reach of the Japanese and North American markets. Despite political setbacks and technological difficulties, not least being the seasonal presence of sea ice, oil fields on the shelf around Sakhalin Island are now being developed by consortia of multinational companies.

The Sakhalin basin is, however, only one of a number of known and prospective basins in the region. As the infrastructure is developed in the area, further exploration opportunities are arising round Sakhalin and in other Far-Eastern basins, both on- and offshore. The report considers the tectonic and structural development of the entire Russian Far East, before describing the geological history and stratigraphy of individual basins.

Particular emphasis is placed on the nature and distribution of known and potential reservoir and source horizons and the development of hydrocarbon systems.
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The main basins covered include (roughly from North to South):

- Momo-Zyryan Basin
- Anadyr Basin
- Navarin Basin
- Khatyryka Basin
- Penzhina Basin
- Pustorets, Olyutor, Il’pinsk-Karaginsk
- and Komandorsk Basins
- Okhotsk-Kamchatka Group of Basins
- Central and East Kamchatka Basins
- Sakhalin-Okhotsk Group of Basins
- South Okhotsk Group of Basins
- Ishikari-West Sakhalin Group of Basins
- Upper Bureya Basin
- Middle Amur Basin
- Amur-Bureya Basin

Part I: Introduction to the Russian Far East and its Structural Development

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Appendix: Field Database

Extract from Blackbourn Geoconsulting’s FSU Oil & Gas Field Database.

Timing & Cost

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