



His Highness Sheikh Hamad Bin Khalifa Al Thani
The Emir of Qatar

A vision for the future...

Qatar's future under the leadership of His Highness the Emir, Sheikh Hamad Bin Khalifa Al Thani, is comprehensively expressed in the Qatar National Vision 2030 (QNV2030). This document sets out the country's developmental goals, and the strategies by which it will achieve those goals over the next two decades. The strategies are wisely focused on four areas – human, social, economic and environmental development – but QNV2030 is a holistic view that recognises the integration of industry, for example, with all other elements of national life.

In this regard, the Barzan Gas Project is an essential building block for Qatar's future.

It is also a symbol of the country's energy sector living up to its responsibilities. In his address to the 39th Advisory Council, referring to the more detailed Qatar National Development Strategy 2011–2016, His Highness the Emir made it clear that private and public institutions are partners in the development of the country.

"Out of our conviction that the achievement of our sustainable development objectives is not the sole responsibility of the state, but rather a national responsibility that should be shared by all, this strategy has been drafted in coordination with the private sector and civil society institutions, in realisation of the principle of full partnership of the components of the society and in pursuit of guaranteeing the implementation and commitment on both planning and execution levels... [The] strategy reflects our keenness to develop the economic infrastructure, expanding the production cycle, achieving economic diversification, securing sound management of our economic and financial resources, and protecting the environment."

In realising the potential of the Barzan Gas Project, the shareholders Qatar Petroleum and Exxon Mobil Corporation and RasGas as the producer and operator will make a powerful contribution, in the fullest sense, to the life of Qatar and its residents.



His Highness Sheikh Tamim Bin Hamad Al Thani
The Heir Apparent of Qatar

...from potential to reality

His Highness the Heir Apparent, Sheikh Tamim Bin Hamad Al Thani, is Chair of the Supreme Oversight Committee for Implementing Qatar National Vision 2030, which includes this expression of the value of Qatar's natural resources: "Converting [hydrocarbon] assets into financial wealth provides a means to invest in world-class infrastructure; build efficient delivery mechanisms for public services; create a highly skilled and productive labour force; and support the development of entrepreneurship and innovation capabilities."

The Barzan Gas Project supports all these goals, both through the employment opportunities and economic benefits that will flow directly from its construction and subsequent operations, and through the availability of power generated from Barzan sales gas.

The Qatar National Development Strategy 2011–2016 (QNDS) also emphasises the close connections between the commercial, social and environmental spheres. In his foreword to QNDS, His Highness the Heir

Apparent writes that the strategy is "a product of consultations with all segments of Qatari society, including the private sector and civil society, [which] takes into account Qatar's cultural and religious values, as well as the needs of future generations, covering all aspects of social, economic and environmental activity.

"Qatar's tremendous progress is clear in all fields. However, the stresses that accompany rapid progress are also visible. Our mission – balanced and sustainable growth – requires responsible use of resources and continuous modernisation and development of public institutions to ensure good programme management and high-quality public services."

Barzan is both an intrinsic part of Qatari society and a mechanism through which Qatar can translate its natural resources into social, economic and environmental development.