



The Norwegian Offshore Directorate, responsibility and expectations

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Norwegian Offshore Directorate

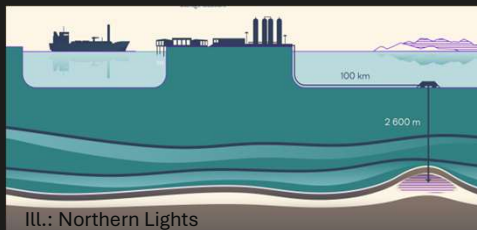
- ✓ Subordinate to the Ministry of Energy
- ✓ Established 1972 in Stavanger as the Norwegian Petroleum Directorate
- ✓ Changed name January 2024 to The Norwegian Offshore Directorate
- ✓ Resource management and co-existence
- ✓ Oil and gas
- ✓ CO₂ storage
- ✓ Seabed minerals
- ✓ Offshore wind



Norwegian Offshore Directorate – main priorities



Contribute to maximising **value to society** from the oil and gas industry on the NCS taking into account health, safety, environment and other users of the sea



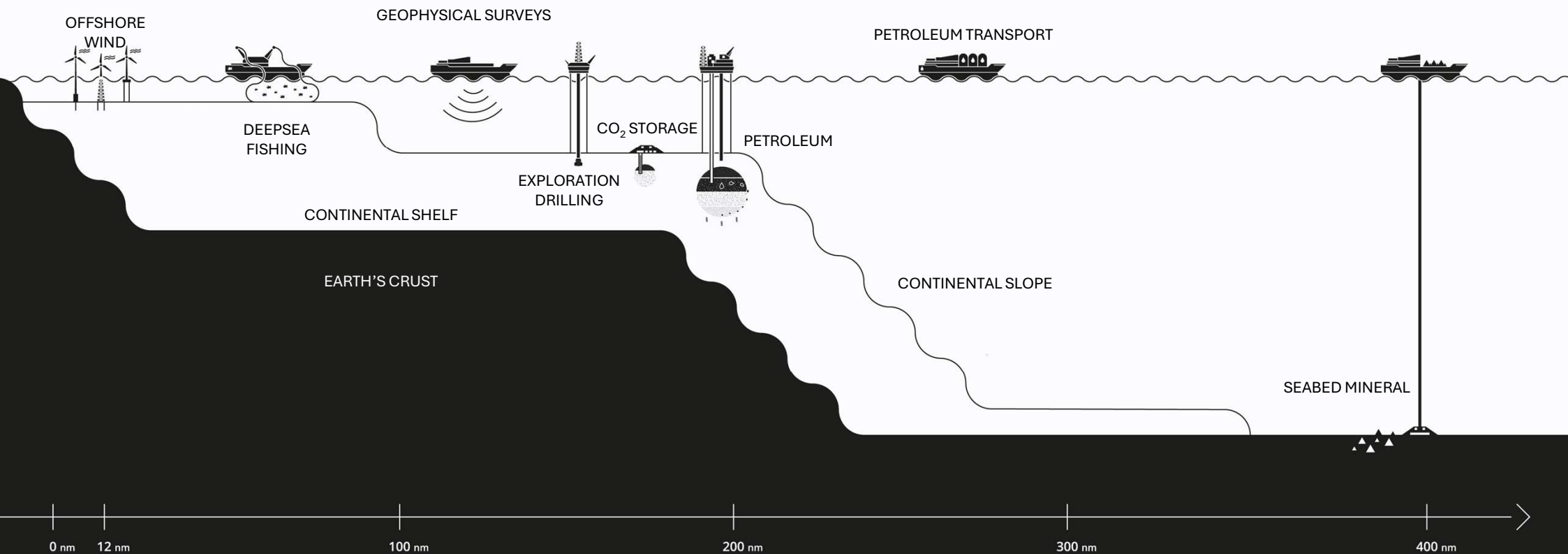
Facilitate the development of CO₂ transport and storage on the NCS



Facilitate the development of seabed minerals on the NCS



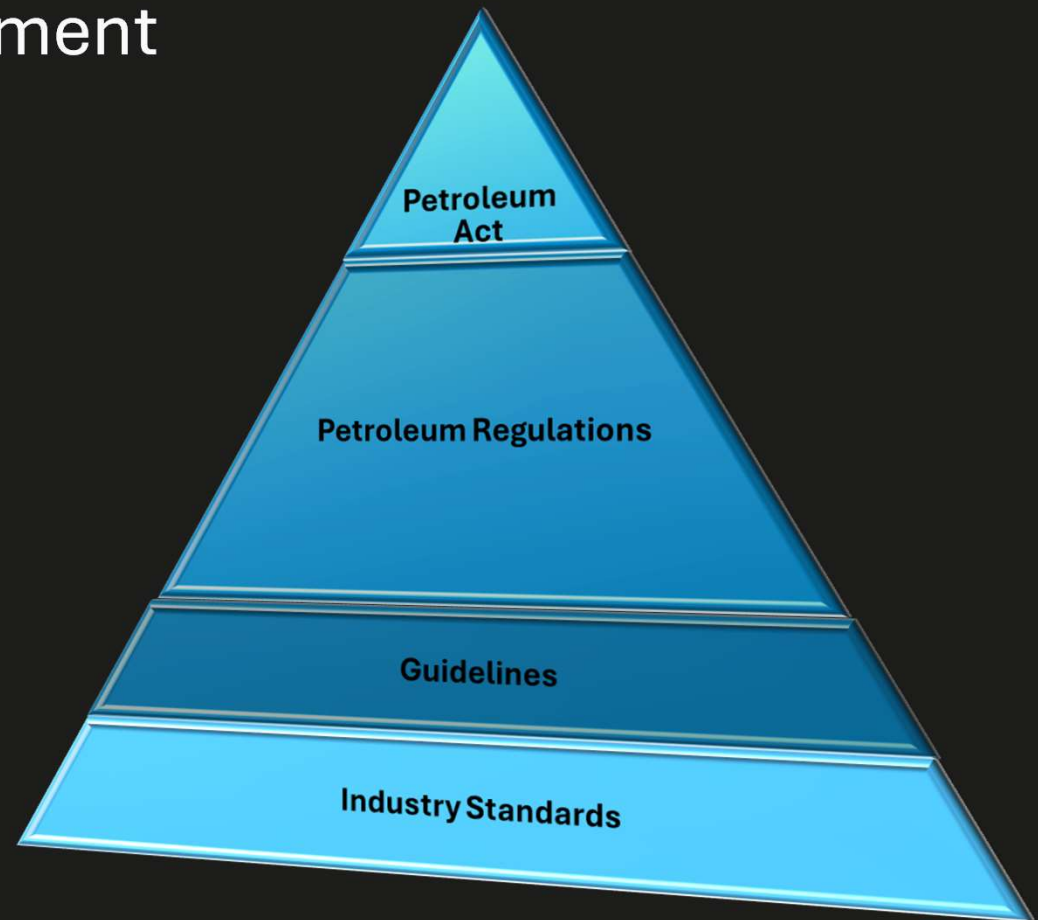
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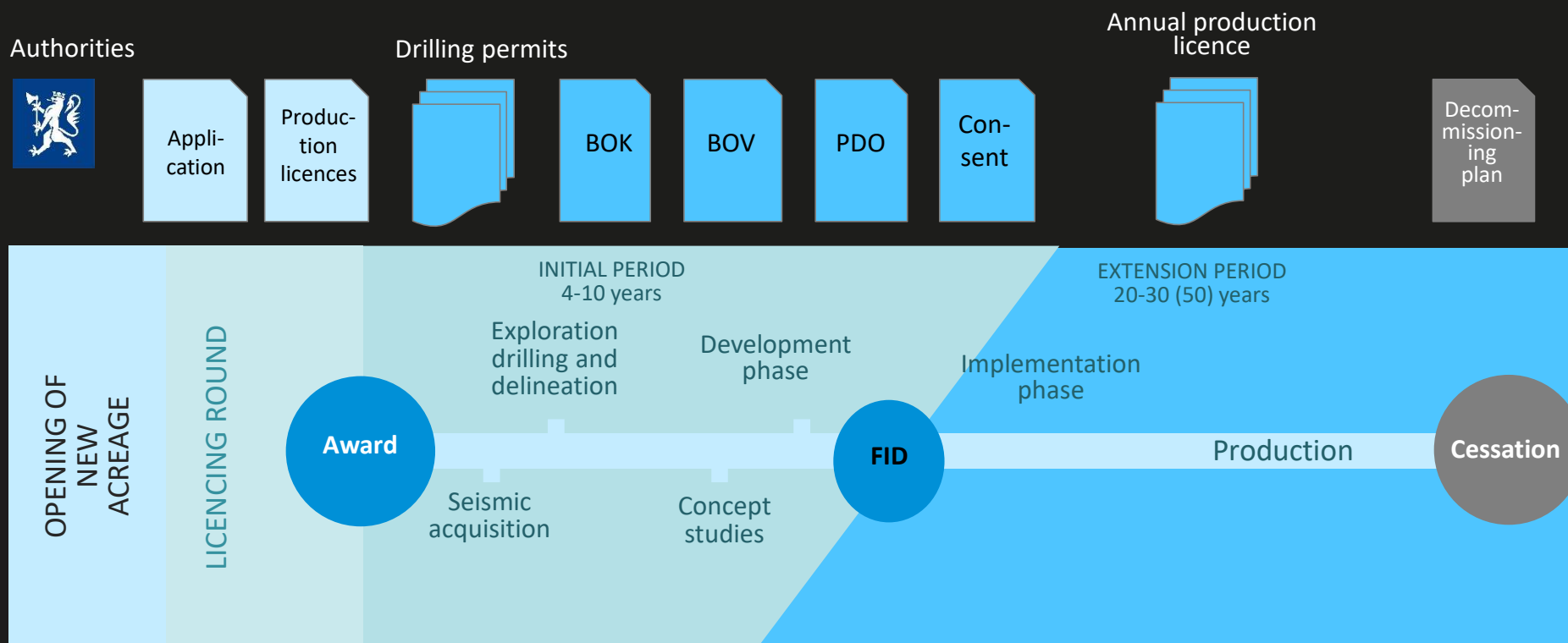
Petroleum resource management

- ✓ State ownership
- ✓ Concession system
- ✓ Production license





Licensing system on the NCS





High activity level on NCS



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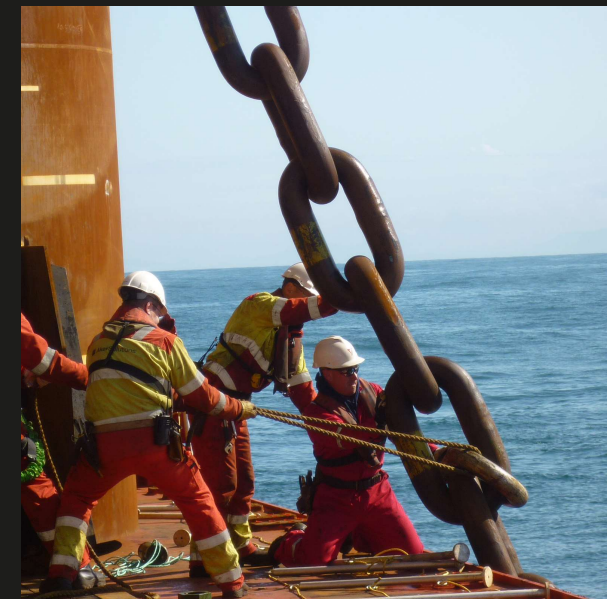
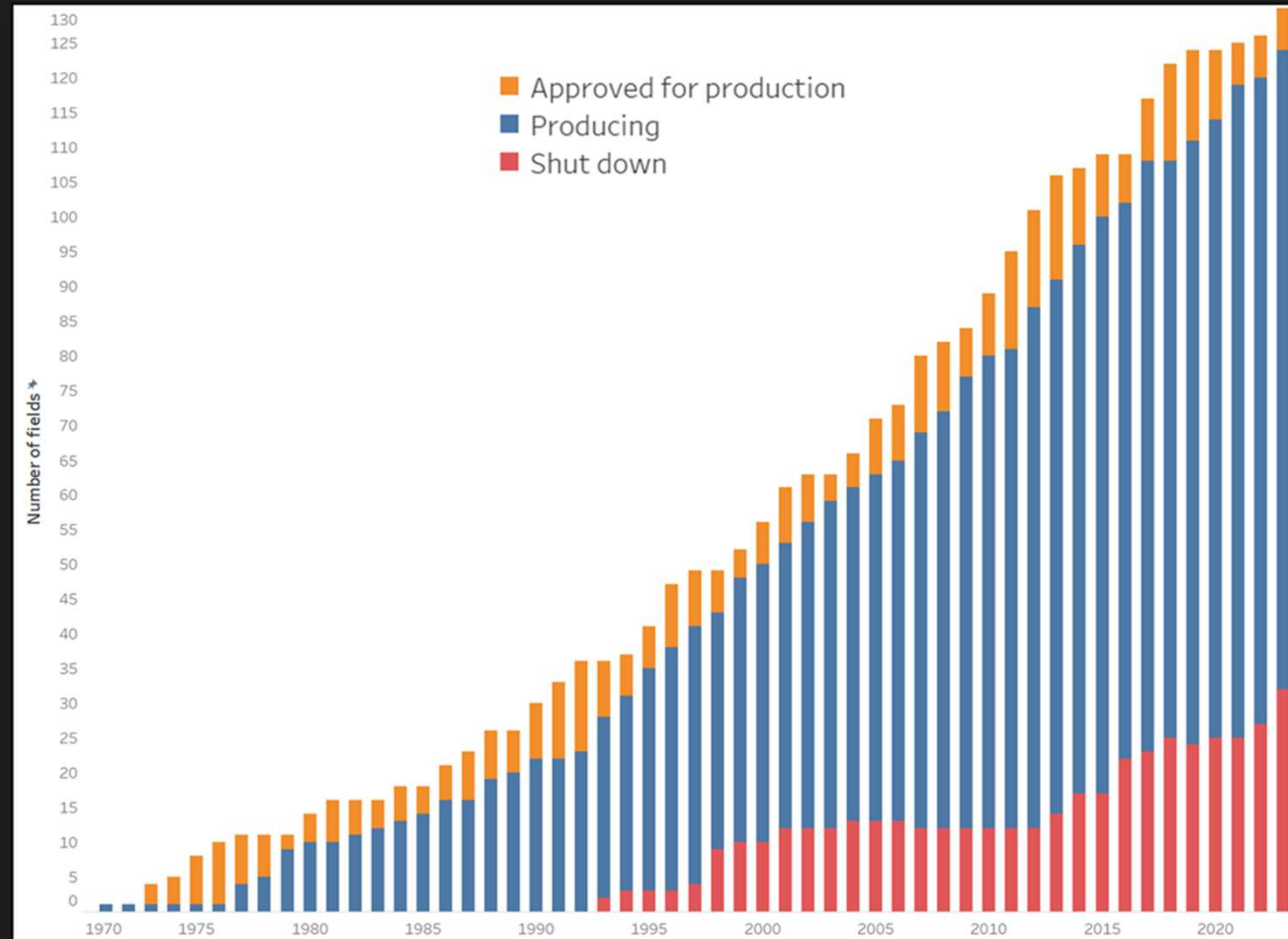


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Decommissioning activities on the NCS

- ✓ Decommissioning plan PL § 5-1
 - ✓ Impact assessment
 - ✓ Disposal part
 - ✓ Basis for the disposal decision
- ✓ The facilities must be disposed of in accordance with OSPAR (98/3)
- ✓ Pipelines and cables: guidelines in the Report No. 47 from the Parliament (1999-2000)





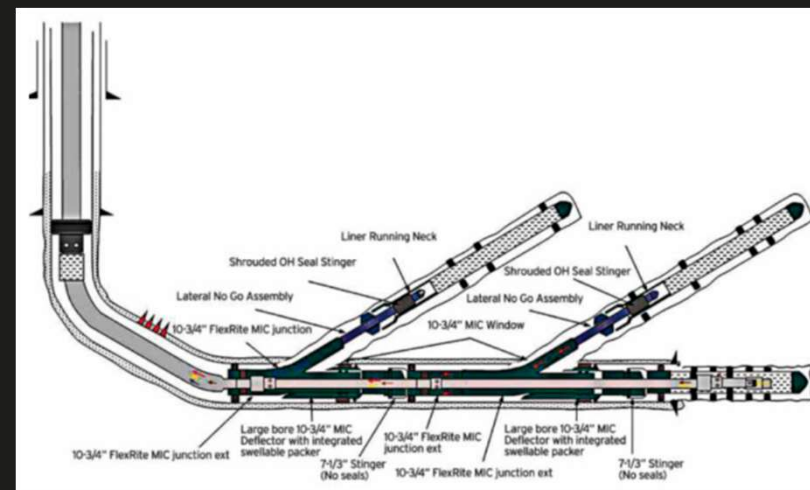
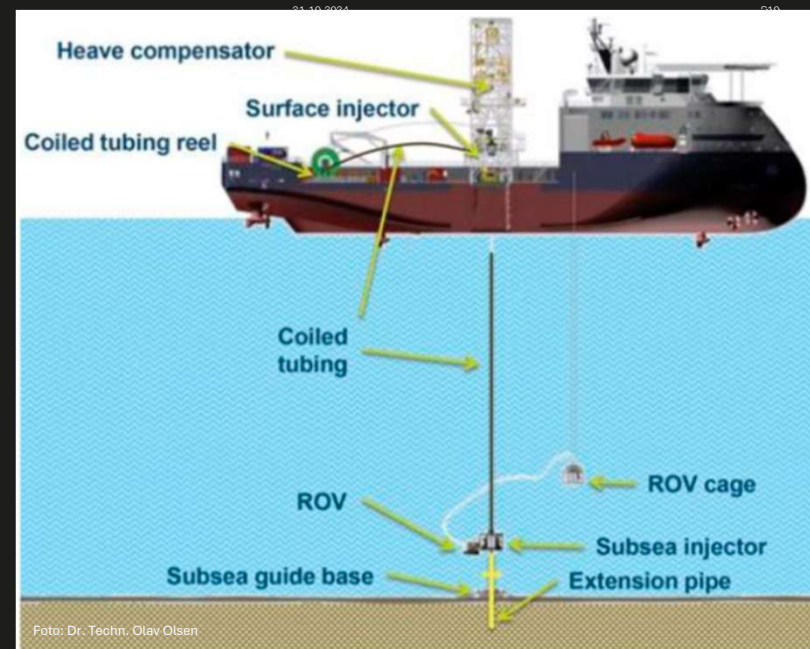
Decommissioning plan





Well plugging

- ✓ The Norwegian continental shelf has a high and still growing number of wells.
- ✓ All wells shall be permanently plugged and abandoned in an acceptable manner.
- ✓ It is therefore important that the industry continues to identify new technology and solutions which can help to reduce the time and cost of P&A.
- ✓ Exploiting the big investment which a well represents for as long as commercially justified is important.
 - ✓ The companies must accordingly assess reusing existing wells to maintain profitable production on a Field.



Decommissioning Technologies - roles and expectations

- ✓ OSPAR expectations - technology development - full removal
- ✓ The main responsibility for development of technology, including technology for decommissioning, lies with the industry
- ✓ Framework set by the national competent authorities





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