

Bahrain LNG Stakeholder Engagement Strategy

The Bahrain LNG Import Terminal is a strategic project for the Kingdom of Bahrain to supplement domestic gas production and ensure future energy/gas demand are met. The Terminal comprises a Floating Storage Unit (FSU), an offshore LNG receiving jetty and breakwater, an adjacent regasification platform, subsea gas pipelines from the platform to shore, an onshore gas receiving facility, and an onshore nitrogen production facility.

The location of the offshore site is approximately 4.3km to the northeast of the Muharraq Sewage Treatment Plant in water depth of around 15m, while the onshore receiving facility is located on a site at the mid-point of the pipeline connecting the offshore facility to BAPCO's Hidd metering station.

It is important that the people of Bahrain have confidence in our work and in Bahrain LNG's ability to deliver gas to the Kingdom of Bahrain safely and efficiently. Building that confidence relies on demonstrating good practice in our operational performance and building trust between Bahrain LNG, the people we work with and those whose lives our work impacts. Effective engagement relies on a mutual commitment to engage, listen, respond and communicate openly and honestly with our stakeholders.

Stakeholders are individuals, groups, or organizations that may affect or be affected, either positively or negatively, by Bahrain LNG's activities and decisions. Bahrain LNG recognises that stakeholders might vary in terms of interest, legitimacy, urgency, impact, significance, interest and relevance in relation to its objectives. For this reason, Bahrain LNG's Stakeholders have been and will continue to be identified on an ongoing basis by reviewing:

- Various stakeholder categories that may be affected by, or be interested in, BAHRAIN LNG activities and
- Specific individuals, groups, and organizations within each of these categories taking into account the expected area of impact, that is the geographical area over which Bahrain LNG activities may cause impacts (both positive and negative) over Bahrain LNG plant's lifetime, and therefore the localities within which people and businesses could be affected.

Stakeholder engagement may be required on both a commercial and operational level and any engagement will strive to build sustainable relationships with people who are affected by what we do and the services we provide.

Objectives

The objectives of Bahrain LNG's stakeholder engagement strategy are to:

- Build, strengthen and nurture mutually beneficial relationships with stakeholders.
- Promote productive engagement with stakeholders to shape programmes and services.
- Ensure that all relevant stakeholders are given sufficient and appropriate opportunities to consider and influence plans and decisions made by Bahrain LNG.
- Ensure our engagement activities are prioritised and relevant audiences are clear on how we make our decisions and how they can influence them.
- Engage a diverse range of customers, communities and partners (old and new) in the organisation's work so that views come from a wide constituency of people. We will learn from the expertise and experience of others.

Stakeholder Engagement Principles

Bahrain LNG will follow the principles of public engagement and recognises that effective engagement:

- will make a difference and allow the participants a real chance to influence policy, service and delivery,
- encourages and enables everyone affected to be involved, if they so choose,
- should be planned and delivered in a timely and appropriate way,
- works with partner organisations to communicate with each other and work together and ensures that people's time is used effectively,
- provides access to relevant to the stakeholders needs, is free from jargon and is appropriate and understandable,
- enables people to take part effectively.

Stakeholder Engagement Techniques

Bahrain LNG recognised that there are a variety of engagement techniques used to build relationships with stakeholders, gather information from stakeholders, consult with stakeholders, and disseminate project information to stakeholders. When taking part in stakeholder engagement Bahrain LNG will select an appropriate consultation technique that is culturally appropriate and fulfils the purpose for engaging with a particular stakeholder group should be considered. The techniques that will be most frequently used are:

Engagement Technique	Appropriate application of the technique
Correspondences (Phone, Emails)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Distribute information to Government officials, NGOs, Local Government, and organisations/agencies • Invite stakeholders to meetings and follow-up
One-on-one meetings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Seeking views and opinions • Enable stakeholder to speak freely about sensitive issues • Build personal relationships • Record meetings
Formal meetings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Present the Project information to Government officials, Local Government, NGOs and organisations/agencies • Encourage group to comment – express opinions and views • Disseminate technical information • Record discussions
Focus group meetings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Present information on Bahrain LNG activities to a group of stakeholders • Allow stakeholders to provide their views on targeted baseline information • Build relationships with communities • Record responses
Project website	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Present information on Bahrain LNG activities and updates

Grievance Mechanism

A grievance mechanism has been developed for potential use by external stakeholders. The aim of the grievance mechanism is to achieve mutually agreed resolution of grievances raised by external stakeholders.

This grievance mechanism ensures that complaints and grievances are addressed in good faith and through a transparent and impartial process, but one which is culturally acceptable. The Grievance process can be accessed and initiated through the Bahrain LNG website.

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