The structural evolution and the associated structural styles of a given geological province control parameters which have major implications when it comes to hydrocarbon prospectivity. These parameters can be sorted as per the below categories:

- Genesis and evolution of sedimentary basins and hydrocarbon source rocks
- Deposition and maturation of source rocks
- Circulation and trapping of hydrocarbons, structuring of oil and gas reservoirs
- Impact on fault geometries and control on reservoir flow paths

One can trace the structural history of the Middle East back to the assembly of the Rodinia super continent (1200-900 Ma) and to the Middle to Late Proterozoic times (-800 to -650 Ma). Since then, the region went through a long and complex evolution which included several major deformation episodes which explain its present day structural configuration.

This complex history resulted in the creation of distinct provinces dominated by contrasted structural styles. They include an old stable craton (also known as the Arabian Shield) in the western and central part of the Arabian Peninsula. The craton also exists, though poorly exposed, to the east in the Huq'f and Dhofar regions of Oman. The eastern boundary of the craton corresponds mainly to ancient, intensely deformed, accreted terranes of Panafrican age. To the west and south west,

the Red Sea and the Gulf of Aden are dominated by present-day extensional systems. The structural style of the western edge of the Arabo-Persic Gulf reflects the results of the Late Cretaceous and Miocene episodes (also known as Alpine I and Alpine II stages). Here structures are most often clearly transtensional and transpressional. Along the eastern border of the Gulf, the Zagros fold and thrust belts and the Makran accretionary complex are the results from the convergence and subduction of the Arabian Plate beneath Iran since the Miocene period. Finally, the south-eastern part of the Arabian Peninsula (South Oman) corresponds to a quite specific structural province where the tectonic styles are essentially controlled by multi-phased halokinesis (related to the thick, Precambrian Ara salt deposits).

Workshop Objectives

The workshop aims at providing a state of the art review of the contrasted structural styles of the Middle East. Based on this review, a focus should be dedicated to the implications of these regional styles and structural evolutions on the region's economical prospectivity in terms of hydrocarbon resources. Among others, the specific challenges occurring during the exploration and production of these resources should be tackled. A critical success factor for such a workshop would be to get contributions from multidisciplinary teams of technical experts, from geologists and engineers from the oil and gas and mining industry, as well as from a solid participation from academic institutions.

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