

Abiodun Afolabi, Secretary General Total E&P Africa, to speak in Paris

68th PetroAfricanus-World Upstream Cocktail Reception held at the InterContinental Pairs-Le Grand Hotel, 8 April 2015



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/EINPresswire.com/ -- Global Pacific & Partners are pleased to announce their forthcoming 68th PetroAfricanus-World Upstream Cocktail Reception on 8 April 2015 to be held in Paris.

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Guest Speaker: "Total's Africa Trek: The Long Safari: Abiodun Afolabi, Secretary General Total E&P Africa, Paris

Abiodun Afolabi, will address Members & Guests on Total's growth and extensive Africa interests, large upstream portfolio, and wide experience drawn following a long career for the company in and across the Continent: Total holds a premier corporate position in Africa with a long oil and gas history and pedigree in E&P as well as in the downstream while the company has added new ventures and widespread portfolio in Eastern Africa, West Africa, Southern Africa and the Maghreb over the years. In the past, the firm acquired the corporate interests of both Fina and later Elf to build a sizeable set of ventures in exploration, development and production, notably too in the deepwater, and is now holding productive assets in numerous basins, plays and frontiers across a wider suite of countries both onshore and offshore. Prior to recent appointment as Secretary-General Total E&P Africa in September 2013, Abiodun spent five years in charge of the company's Business Development Division in Nigeria, where Total has substantial onshore and deepwater assets and production, and before then was Project Director, Sub-Saharan Africa New Ventures, based in Paris. Abiodun holds the degree of Bachelor of Geology from Tulane University, New Orleans, and dual Masters' Degree in Energy Management from the University of Pennsylvania and the well-known Institut Français du Pétrole.

The <u>PetroAfricanus Club</u>, founded in London during 2004 is dedicated to exploration and development in Africa's Oil and Gas Industry, focused on the Upstream and LNG business, across the Continent.

The Club acts to connect the corporate and state players, and facilitate industry interests and deal flow in Africa's Upstream, through networking with senior executives from around the world engaged in Africa.

The PetroAfricanus Club was founded, and its Programs organised, by Global Pacific & Partners' Senior Partners: Dr Duncan Clarke (Chairman & CEO) and Babette van Gessel (Vice Chairman & Deputy Chief Executive). Around 4,000 Members/Guests have so far been involved in Dinners/Receptions over the past decade of the Club's existence.

PetroAfricanus provides a unique global networking forum. The primary mechanism for this high-quality network interface is through regular Annual Program of Club Receptions (with Guest

Speakers), held in London and Paris/Geneva/The Hague, plus the Annual PetroAfricanus Dinner in Africa held in Cape Town during our landmark Africa Oil Week (with PetroAfricanus Award for Africa), and/or Dinners/Receptions held variously in Windhoek and Nairobi but also meetings conducted periodically in Johannesburg, Lagos, Marrakech, Accra and Tunis.

Members & Guests are invited to meet in a private setting under Machiavelli's Rules (No Press or reportage), with Guest Speakers a key feature of our Dinners and selected Receptions.

Right of Admission: Registration is required, plus a pre-event payment of fee for individual attendance with online registration done via our <u>website</u>.

Membership for the PetroAfricanus Club is GBP 275 (12 months). For membership enquiries please contact: babette@glopac.com or duncan @glopac.com.

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