Economic Diversification in Oil Producing States

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Context

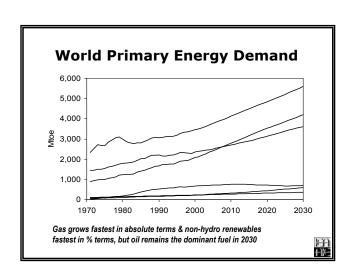
- OPEC Middle East hold 63% of world crude oil and NGL reserves
- Saudi Arabia, Iraq, Iran, UAE, Kuwait hold the largest reserves among Middle East producers
- Major Middle East producers have the lowest supply cost
- Declining market share through price optimisation policy

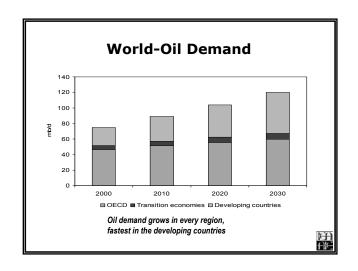


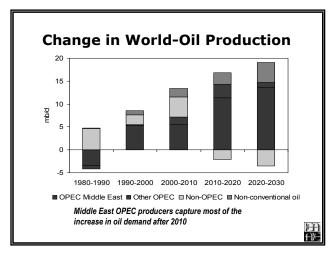
Economic Parameters

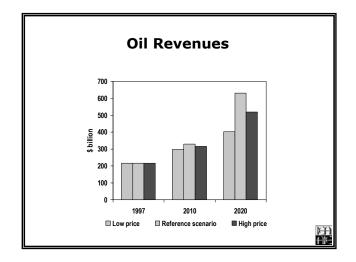
- Chronic budget deficits
- Oil dependency
- Slow economic diversification
- High population growth rates
- Decrease in GDP/capita
- Rising unemployment













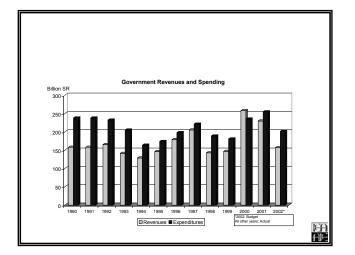
Core Imbalances

- High government debt
 - excessive state spending
 - high domestic debt levels (99% of 2001 GDP)
- Oil dependency
- Rapid population growth
- Unemployment
- Slow implementation of Saudisation

Crude Oil

- Holder of the world's largest oil reserves
- Largest oil producer in the Middle East
- Production capacity officially at 10.5mbd
- Only country in the region with supply cushion in times of crises





Iraq Untapped Resource Base

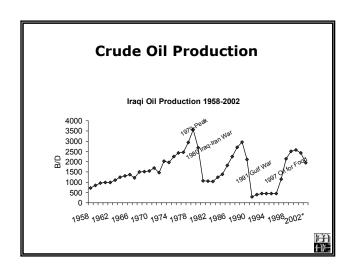
- 2nd largest proven crude oil reserves in the Middle East
- 3rd largest in the World after Russia
- least explored oil provinces in the Middle East
 - 526 known structures
 - Only 125 have been drilled
 - 73 discovered fields
 - 15 of which have been developed



Irregular Crude Oil Production

- Crude oil production peaked in 1979 at 3.5mbd
- Production climbed to 1.7mbd in 1997 with the introduction of the oil-for-food programme
- In 2002, output averaged 2.1mbd
- Sustainable production capacity estimated at 2.8mbd





Mobilising Energy Investment

- Expansion of production & supply capacity will call for massive investment especially in developing countries
- Raising production capacity in many countries will require major capital inflows & know-how from OECD countries
- Producing governments need to lower regulatory & market barriers to create an attractive investment climate



Concluding Points

- Investment and costs will depend on:
 - Government policies and industry developments
 - Political stability
 - Macroeconomic stabilisation
 - Ability to attract FDI
- Much of the supply growth after 2030 will come from the Middle East but contingent on:
 - **■** Timely investment
 - Lowering of barriers
 - Creating stable regulatory and fiscal regimes



Producer/Consumer Co-operation

- Security of Supply: Producer-Consumer dialogue on different levels
 - Dialogue successful in 2003
 - Continued exchange of data
- Energy Policy & Regulatory Reform: energy sector restructuring underway in many countries: energy policy reviews
- Energy Efficiency & Technology: crucial for NMCs to meet growing energy demands



Co-operation with Non-IEA Countries

- Through its Committee on Non-Member Countries, the IEA carries out a significant work programme and organises workshops outside the OECD;
- OECD countries increasingly rely on energy supplies from non-OECD sources hence, importance of close relations, cooperation and the sharing of experiences to help with transition.

