

Pipeline Operators Forum

Objectives and activities

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The Pipeline Operators Forum is a non-profit organization enabling pipeline inspection and integrity engineers to share and build good practices, with the ultimate purpose of raising the standards of pipeline integrity management.





- Forum of pipeline inspection/integrity specialists
- Members: Pipeline operating companies in petrochemical industry (e.g. no ILI/service companies)
- Companies are represented by 2 delegates (called "Company-member"), other colleagues can become "Registered User"
- On- and off-shore, oil/gas/chemical pipelines
- Mainly European pipeline operators, but also from India, Japan, North and South America, Middle East
- Costs shared by members via annual fee





• 30 member companies :

- Air Liquide
- BP
- Chevron
- ConocoPhillips
- Enagas
- Equinor
- ExxonMobil
- FGSZ
- Fluxys
- Gail

- Gascade
- Gas Connect Austria
- Gassco
- Gasgrid
- GRTgaz
- Indian Oil Corporation
- Inpex
- Nederlandse Gasunie
- NOW
- Open Grid Europe

- Ørsted
- Petrobras
- RRP
- Saudi Aramco
- Shell
- SPMR
- TAL
- TAP
- Terega
- Total



Organization of activities

One meeting per year:

- 2 days, organized by a member in its home-location
- Annual General Meeting of the association :
 - Financial report, board election, budgets, ...
- Technical meeting
 - Presentation and experience sharing by members
 - Discussion on special integrity issues
 - Working groups proposal, organization, sessions, feedback, documents
 - Presentation of an ILI or Service company





Standard practices

- POF 100: Specifications and requirements for in-line inspection of pipelines
- POF 110: Specifications and requirements for Universal POF Template (UPT) data format for in-line inspection of pipelines

Recommended practices

- POF 300: Achieving successful in-line inspection
- POF 310: Field verification procedures for in-line inspection
- POF 320: In-line inspection contractor compliance check

Technical reports

POF 510: Integrity management of corrosion resistant alloy pipelines





- Non intrusive inspection (POF 520)
- Field verification procedures for ILI (POF 310 Update)
- Universal POF Template (minor POF 110 Update)
- Hydrogen transportation: review of relevant topics for POF



Web site

- pipelineoperators.org
- Information on POF:
 - goals, mission
 - member list
 - contact
- Public documents:
 - POF 100, 110
 - POF 300, 310, 320
 - POF 510



around the world

As an excellent resource for pipeline operators around the world, this site provides an opportunity to gain pipeline integrity experience and good practice to the benefit of all who use it.

About us

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Some history

- 1993: First POF meeting
- 1998: First version og "POF specifications" issued: Specifications and requirements for intelligent pig inspection of pipelines.
- 2005: POF specifications updated, version 3.2 issued
- 2006: Website developed
- 2009: POF specifications updated, version 2009 issued
- 2012: Initiatives to make POF an association
- 2014: POF association established
- 2016: POF specifications updated, version 2016 issued
- 2021: POF specifications updated, version 2021 issued
- 2022: 35th meeting in Southampton



Thanks for your attention

Questions?