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The Rise of Unconventional Gas: An Australian Perspective



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Today's presentation

- Australian CSG-to-LNG projects
 - Current status
 - Technical, stakeholder and project structuring issues
- Shale gas in Australia
 - Current status
 - Where to next?



Mallesons

- Australia's premier law firm
- Lead advisor on some of Asia Pacific's most significant matters, including advising:
 - Chevron on the structuring and development of the \$40+bn Gorgon LNG Project
 - pre-FID phase of the Wheatstone LNG Project
 - BG Group/QGC on the A\$15bn Queensland Curtis Island CSG-to-LNG project
- On 1 March 2012, Mallesons Stephen Jaques and Chinese law firm King & Wood will combine to create [King & Wood Mallesons, a new legal powerhouse centred in Asia](#)

MARKET LEADING NUMBERS

9

Offices worldwide

12

Industry Awards - 2009/10

49

Practice Area Tier-One Rankings

178

Years of Advising Clients

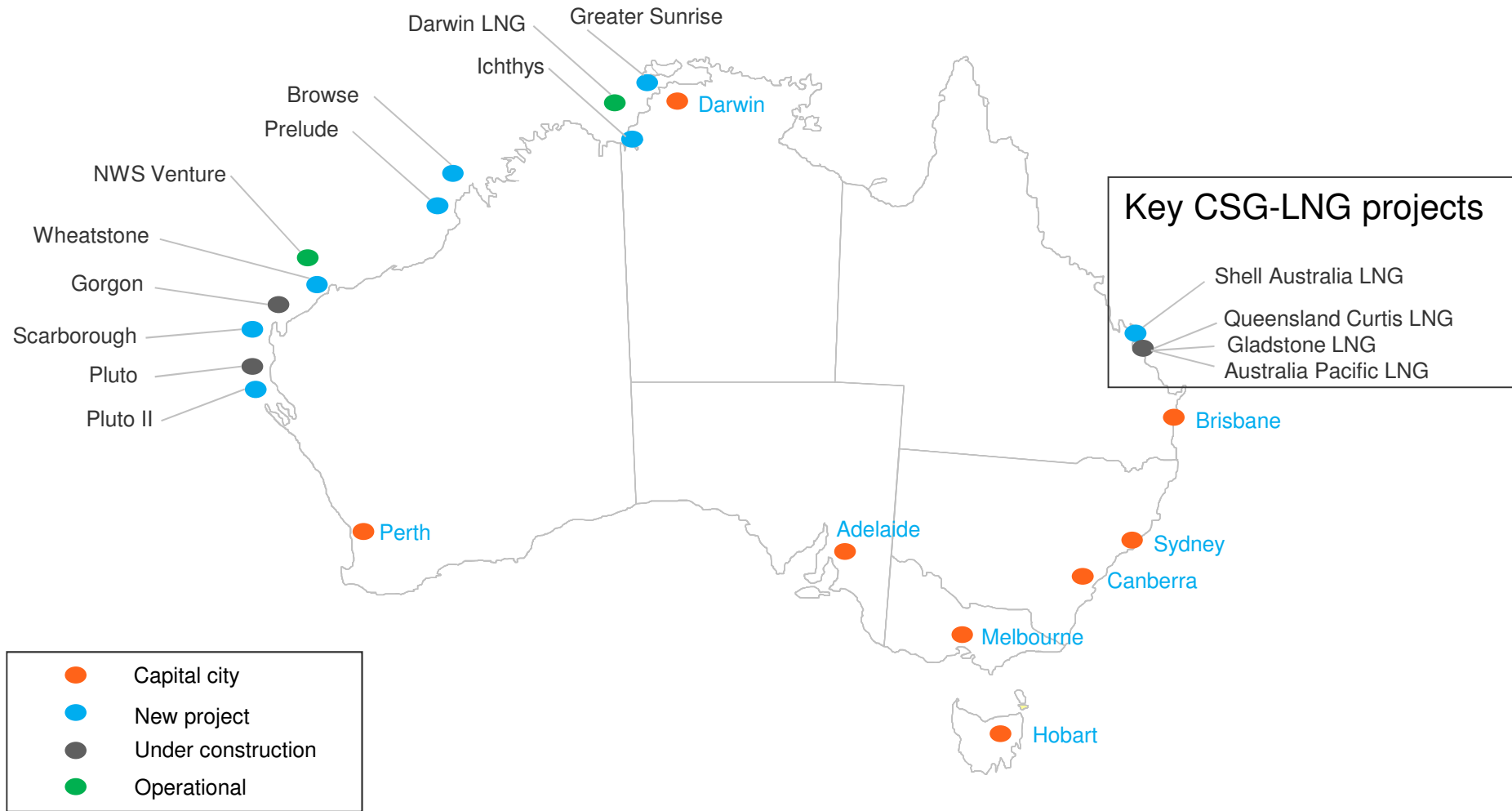
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Partner Tier-One Rankings

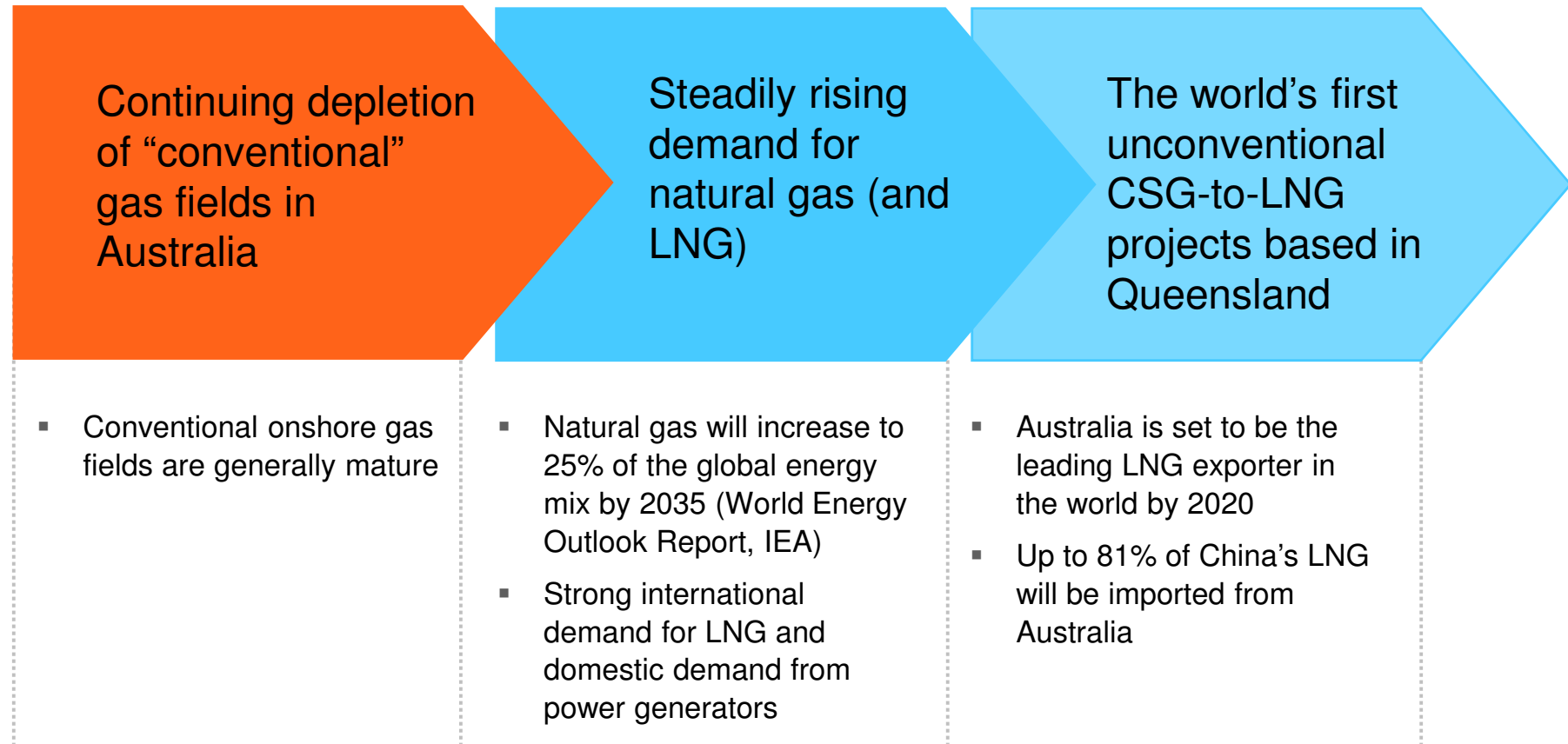
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Lawyers and Support Staff



LNG projects: current status





CSG-LNG drivers



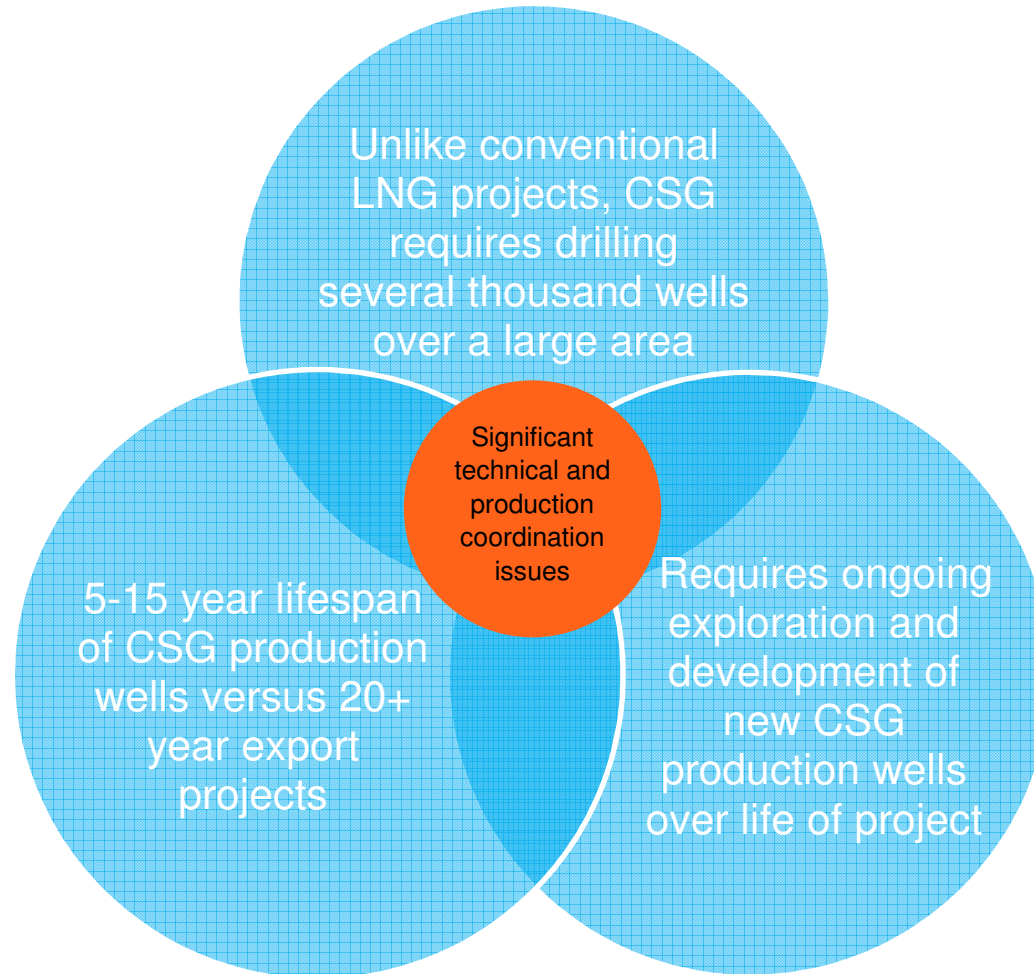
Queensland projects

Project Name	Participants	FID status ('Financial Investment Decision')	First cargoes
QCLNG	<p>QGC (BG Group), CNOOC (10% in Train 1, 5% upstream) and Tokyo Gas (2.5% in Train 2, 1.25% upstream)</p> 	FID reached on 31 October 2010	Expected in 2014
Shell/Arrow LNG	<p>Shell Energy (50%) PetroChina (50%)</p> 	FID expected in 2013	Expected in 2017

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APLNG	<p>Origin Energy (42.5%) ConocoPhillips (42.5%) Sinopec (15%)</p> 	FID on first train of the two train project reached on 28 July 2011	Expected in 2015
GLNG	<p>Santos (30%) PETRONAS (27.5%) Total (27.5%) KOGAS (15%)</p> 	FID reached on 13 January 2011	Expected in 2015

CSG-to-LNG technical issues



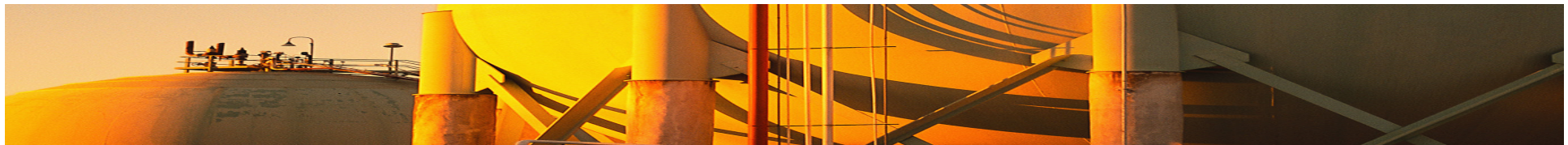
CSG-to-LNG stakeholder issues

- Land access
- Water management
- Hydraulic fracturing (“fracking”)
- Domestic gas reservation and overlapping tenures
- Community / political concerns
- Regulatory issues – regulatory environment under continuing development



CSG-to-LNG project structuring issues

- Number of CSG specific legal, technical and commercial issues which have resulted in need to modify more conventional LNG project structures
- Unlike conventional gas projects, CSG to LNG based on reserves from multiple fields not necessarily owned by all participants
- Structures need to accommodate:
 - Upstream co-ordination of field/well development and gas supply, potentially from a number of separate joint ventures
 - Need for different participant composition across supply chain
 - Apportionment of economic value and corresponding risk allocation across supply chain
 - Need for multi-user plant arrangements



Shale gas in Australia: Current status

- Estimates for as much as 400 Tcf of recoverable shale gas (compared with 827 Tcf in the US)
- Commercially-viable extraction
 - Horizontal drilling and fracking
 - Current extraction costs up to 3 times higher than US due to labour shortages and lack of infrastructure and equipment
- Initial exploration in 2011
 - Beach Energy drilled test wells in South Australia's Cooper Basin - aim to commercialise by 2015
 - BG Group entered into a farm-in / joint venture with Drillsearch in South Australia's Cooper Basin
 - ConocoPhillips entered into a farm-in deal with New Standard Energy in Western Australia's Canning Basin



Where to next?

- Known conventional gas deposits represent 50 years of current demand
- Shale gas acreage in Australia appears undervalued relative to the US
- Cooper, Canning and Perth basins are likely to be the most attractive for shale gas
- Potential returns: shale gas industry contributed > \$76 billion to US GDP in 2010
- Cleaner energy: gas power generation produces about half CO₂ emissions of coal

