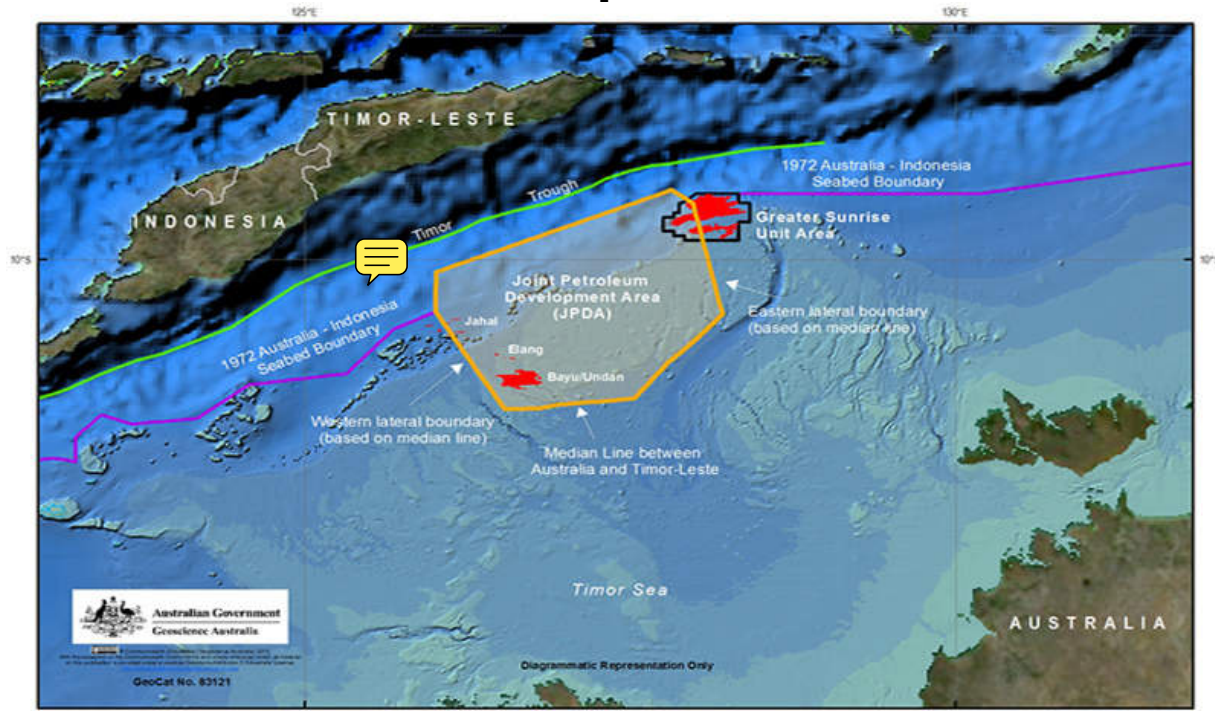


Timor-Leste and Australia Intensify Talks on Greater Sunrise Development



DILI, 03 July 2025 (TATOLI) – The governments of Timor-Leste and Australia have intensified discussions aimed at concluding negotiations on the development of the Greater Sunrise oil and gas field.

Minister of Petroleum and Mineral Resources, Francisco Monteiro, told reporters following a meeting with Parliamentary Committee D, which oversees economic and development affairs.

The talks highlighted Timor-Leste's push to accelerate the project's implementation, as it is regarded as the country's largest future source of revenue, with an estimated value of up to US\$50 billion.

"Negotiations are still ongoing. There was a slight slowdown recently due to Australia's election and the formation of its new government. However, in recent weeks, discussions have resumed, and we are working toward a mutual commitment to intensify meetings and conclude negotiations by the end of this year," said Monteiro.

He emphasized that Timor-Leste is well prepared for the talks but noted the need to continue discussions with the joint venture partners—Woodside, Osaka Gas, and Timor Gap.

Regarding the Tasi Mane Project, the Minister said preparations are underway to launch public tenders for the Suai Supply Base and the construction of the highway connecting Zumalai and Natarbora.

"Our technical team is independently conducting feasibility studies. Once negotiations are complete, we will be ready to move forward with implementation of the project," he said.

Monteiro added that project implementation is expected to begin between 2027 and 2028, with oil and gas production and exports expected to start in 2032.

"The goal is to finalize negotiations this year, which is why preparatory work must begin in 2027. We have a clear timeline and well-defined objectives that we are presenting in discussions with both Australia and the joint venture partners. Our negotiations aim to reach a consensus on the proposed development concept," he concluded.

Timor-Leste no Austrália halo kontaktu intensivu ba negosiasaun Greater Sunrise



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“Negosiasaun la’o hela, foin daudaun tanba Governu Austrália iha faze eleisaun no depois eleisaun sira forma Governu, entaun iha *slow down process* ida, maibé iha semana hirak ne’e ami iha komunikaun intensiva fali ona. Estabelese kompromisu hamutuk hodi intensifika filafali enkontru ba negosiasaun hodi finaliza iha tinan ne’e, konseitu úniku ba dezenvolvimentu *Greater Sunrise*”, governante ne’e dehan iha PN, ohin.

Governante ne’e realsa katak Timor-Leste nia preparasaun sira la’o maka’as tebes, aleinde estudu ka diskusaun balun tenke halo ho proponente sira iha *Greater Sunrise* mak hanesan *Woodside, Osaka Gas* no *Timor Gap*.

“Internalmente, Timor-Leste avansa nafatin serbisu lubun ida preparasaun para halo dezenvolvimentu ita bolu dehan iha integrated downstream iha Kosta Súl ne’ebá”, nia relata.

Iha kontestu Projetu Tasi-Mane nian ne’ebé daudaun loka hela konkursu públiku ba Suai *Supply Base* no ba autostrada husi Zumalaui bá Natarbora, ministru dehan ekipa agora halo hela serbisu no estudu lubun ida iha ne’ebá ho indepedentemente. “Bainhira negosiasaun hotu, ita-nia mós preparadu avanza ba dezenvolvimentu”, nia realsa.

Tuir governante, alvu ba projetu ne’e nafatin iha tinan 2027 no 2028 tenke halo konstrusaun, nune’e iha tinan 2032 bele prodús ona mina no gás hodi fa’an bá merkadu.

“Alvu negosiasaun tenke hotu iha tinan ne’e nia laran hodi bele fó bibán ba ita halo serbisu sira nesasáriu hodi halo konstrusaun iha 2027. Maibé imi hotu hatene, kualkér negosiasaun ne’e la’ós depende parte ida de’it. Timór ita iha ita-nia tempu no *target* rasik, ita apresenta ida-ne’e para negósia ho parte Austrália ho joint venture sira, to’o ikus mai ita aseita konseitu ida ne’ebé ita hakarak”, hateten.

Prezidente Komisaun D, Ricardo Baptista, apresia ba serbisu MPRM no hein katak halo serbisu di’ak liután, tanba ita hotu iha esperansa atu kadoras mina mai Timor-Leste.

Relembra katak, iha 1 Maiu 2025, ministru Francisco Monteiro hateten Autoridade Nasionál Petróleu (ANP) hno Timor Gás no Petróleu reestabelese ona negosiasaun projetu *Greater Sunrise* depoisde Austrália iha ona primeiru-ministru.

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Timor-Leste and Woodside Advance Talks on Greater Sunrise Development

DILI, 03 July 2025 (TATOLI) — Timor-Leste's Minister of Petroleum and Mineral Resources, Francisco da Costa Monteiro, hosted a Woodside Energy technical delegation in Dili on Thursday to strengthen cooperation on the development of the Greater Sunrise gas field.

The meeting followed high-level discussions between Minister Monteiro and Woodside CEO Meg O'Neill on the sidelines of the LNG Producer–Consumer Conference recently held in Tokyo.

Held at the office of the Ministry of Petroleum and Mineral Resources (MPMR), the meeting served as a for continued alignment between Timor-Leste and Woodside on the development of the Greater Sunrise gas field.

The engagement reflects the Government of Timor-Leste's determination to advance the Greater Sunrise project in close partnership with its joint venture stakeholders and to promote sustainable and sovereign-led energy development on the South Coast.

Minister Monteiro and his team presented the country's vision for the oil and gas sector, including the integrated downstream development strategy under the Tasi Mane Project. This includes the TLNG project and associated pipeline infrastructure.

The discussions also addressed cooperation frameworks, technical planning, and the potential for joint efforts in establishing a commercially attractive structure for investment.

Minister Monteiro reaffirmed the government's commitment to progressing the legal and contractual documents required for the Greater Sunrise Special Regime and expressed readiness to work with all joint venture partners to achieve alignment on a single development concept.

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PR Horta rekoñese rezolve Greater Sunrise la fasil

DILI, 10 Jullu 2025 (TATOLI)—Prezidente Repúblika (PR), José Ramos Horta, rekoñese rezolve kampu petrolíferu, Greater Sunrise la fasil maibé daudaun negosiasaun kontinua la’o hela no Governu hahú loke konkursu ba infraestrutura iha Natarbora.

“Ha’u hatene negosiasaun Greater sunrise la’o nafatin ho Austrália, prosesu ne’e lá’os fasil. La’os Austrália la konkorda Greater Sunrise ne’e, lá’os ona problema, mais negosiasaun kona-ba impostu, kona-ba regra oin-oin ne’e, tanba operaun sei nafatin Timor ho Austrália. Timor-Leste labele halo mesak unilaterál, ita mak iha maioria iha Greater Sunrise. Timor GAP mak investidór boot,” PR Horta hateten ba jornalista sira iha abertura Konferénsia internasionál ‘Sidade Amiga’ Timor-Leste no Austrália, iha salaun Ministériu Negósiu Estranjeiru no Kooperasaun (MNEK), Praia dos Coqueiros, Kinta ne’e.

Xefe Estado nota, Autoridade Petroleu no Minerál (ANP) no Timor GAP serbisu maka’as atu hetan akordu ida ho entidade sira ne’ebé hola parte.

Horta mós otimista katak tinan ne’e sei iha solusaun ba dezvoltamentu Greater Sunrise.

PR dehan, Indonézia mós agora prontu atu hahú negosiasaun fronteira marrítima.

“Primeiru, ita rezolve tiha fronteira terrestre depois mak hakat ba fronteira marrítima, maibé agora Indonézia komunika ona, prontu atu hahú negosiasaun fronteira marrítima,” nia tenik.

Antes ne’e, iha loron 12 Maiu 2025, Ministru Petróleu no Rekursu Minerál, Francisco da Costa Monteiro, hateten, ANP no Timor GAP hahú re-estabelese negosiasaun projetu kona-ba Greater Sunrise hafoin Austrália iha ona Primeiru-Ministru foun.

“Ami fiar katak iha semana ida ka rua mai, sei iha kontaktu intensivu filafali para re-estabelese hodi intensifika filafali negosiasaun sira ne’e hodi bele hetan rezultadu iha tempu badak,” nia katak.

Maski nune’e, prosesu negosiasaun la’o intensivu tebes, molok eleisaun Austrália. Iha fulan hirak liubá la’o neineik uitoan tanba Austrália tama hela prosesu eleisaun.

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