



EU Refining Competitiveness and impact of planned legislation

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Established as a European association for research on health, safety, and environmental (HSE) issues of importance to the European oil refining industry



Objectives:

- Acquire adequate scientific, economic, technical, and legal information on HSE issues
- > Improve the understanding of these issues by the industry, authorities, and consumers

Operating principles:

- Sound science
- Cost-effectiveness of options
- Transparency of results

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- Solomon Associates is a US-based consultant to the global refining industry, specialising in performance benchmarking
- Refiners all over the world participate in the Solomon survey every two years
 - Each refinery completes a questionnaire providing an extensive set of operating data
 - Each participating company is presented with the <u>confidential</u> results showing:
 - Relative position of its own refineries compared to <u>anonymised</u> aggregates of refineries in the region, and in other world regions
 - Many different performance indicators (margins, energy efficiency, personnel costs, maintenance costs, etc.)

concawe Comparative study of EU refining vs peers

- CONCAWE requested Solomon to supply historic data showing the relative position of EU average refineries against other competing world regions
- Performance Indicators:
 - Gross Refining Margin
 - Cash Operating Costs
 - Energy costs
 - Personnel costs
 - Other cash costs
 - Net Cash Margin

Regions:

- ► EU-28
- ► US
- Middle East
- Russia
- Korea/Singapore
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India

Gross Margin (GM)

Gross Margin in US \$/bbl for all regions indexed relative to 100 in Year 2000



Growing demand (esp. China) improves GM until Financial Crisis in 2008.

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Cash OPEX



From 2008, operating costs in the US fall relative to other regions
 EU-28 costs increase by a factor of 3 over the period, while US costs increase by only 1/3

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OPEX – Energy Cost



US energy costs fall by 26% due to shale gas whilst EU-28 energy costs increase by a factor of 3.8 over the same period
Korea/Singapore energy costs increase over 2010-2012 period, probably due to higher fuel oil prices after the 2011 Japanese tsunami

Cash OPEX Breakdown



EU-28 energy costs grow from 52% of total cash operating costs in 2000 to 63% in 2012

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Cash OPEX Breakdown



 US Gulf Coast energy costs shrink from 52% of total cash operating costs in 2000 to only 28% in 2012

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Net Cash Margin



- EU-28 refining is trailing the pack in terms of improvement in Net Cash Margin
- US refining has gained a significant competitive advantage, with Net Cash Margin improving by a factor of 2.22 over the period

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Product demand and quality trends



- Refined product demand loss 2005-2030 is estimated at 166 Mt
 - Equivalent to combined capacity of the 9 biggest (or the 40 smallest) refineries out of the 90 currently active EU mainstream refineries
- Share of light products in the demand basket changes from 75% in 2005 to 83% in 2030, requiring more conversion processes, energy, CO₂ emissions

Announced refining investments and closures 2009-15 concawe



Guide to terms used:

- **CDU** Crude Distillation Unit
- **VDU** Vacuum Distillation Unit
- **REF** Reforming unit
- **DHC** Distillate Hydrocracking
- RHC Residue Hydrocracking
- FCC Fluid Catalytic Cracking
- COK Coking unit
- **VIS** Visbreaking unit
- HDS Distillate Hydrodesulphurisation unit
- H2U Hydrogen production
- ▶ 14 EU refineries closed in 2008-13 resulting in *Capacity Reductions* in crude distillation (CDU, VDU) & units that boost gasoline production (FCC, REF) Publicly announced investments to *increase conversion* capacity in units to:
 - Distillate Hydrocracking capacity increased by 28% Residue hydrocracking & Coking by 37%). Reduced residue and increased diesel & jet fuel production.
 - 49% more hydrogen production capacity, needed for cracking and sulphur removal reactions

- EU refined products demand declined by 100 Mt over 2005-2010 period
- ► €21 billion₂₀₁₁ investments in publicly announced projects for the period 2009-2015:
 - Hydrodesulphurisation & conversion capacity to produce more diesel and meet fuels specifications for EU automotive & IMO 0.1% Emission Control Areas (ECAs)
- Supply/demand imbalances remain due to declining demand for gasoline & high sulphur fuel oil
- Increased operating costs have significantly degraded the competitive position of EU-28 refineries

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Marine fuel Sulphur reduction



- In Emission Control Areas, S content of marine fuel oil reduced from 1.5% to 1.0% by 2010, then from 1.0% to 0.1 % by 2015.
- Global S cap equivalent to reducing Heavy Fuel Oil S content from 3.5% to 0.5% by 2020 (or 2025)

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Global Sulphur cap reduction to 0.5% would require significant additional investment in EU-28 refineries, estimated at €15 billion₂₀₁₁.

- BUT Uncertainty on how the Global Sulphur Cap will be achieved.
- **1. Installation of flue gas scrubbers on ships?**
- 2. Hydrodesulphurisation (HDS) of High Sulphur Fuel Oil?
- **3. Conversion of ships to LNG or dual fuel LNG / diesel engines? LNG cost competitive with marine low S diesel.**

As Global S cap comes into effect, some combination of the above 3 alternatives will emerge.

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- Operating costs are not expected to improve through to 2020
- Energy costs are not expected to benefit from the US shale gas boom until US LNG gas exports are allowed and terminals are operational
- **EU legislation will impact EU-28 refineries**
 - Investment costs for new equipment
 - Increased Operating costs process energy, hydrogen, additional treatment chemicals and catalysts

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- CONCAWE estimates are based on CONCAWE refinery model run results or on anonymized data from refineries in Europe.
- This data is then used as the basis for simple calculations and assumptions to develop the cost impact scenarios. These should not be regarded as forecasts.
- <u>Note:</u> This is an initial release of work in progress
 - First tier: Estimates already released by CONCAWE
 Marine Fuels Directive (MFD)
 IED REF BREF Air and Water emissions compliance
 Second tier: CONCAWE estimates based on simple calculations, reasonable assumptions and relevant backup data, EU ETS
 - ▶ RED
 - ► REACH
 - Third tier: Estimates based on consultant studies (Wood Mckenzie)
 - FQD article 7a (crude differentiation impact)
 - Legislation is not yet finalized
 - Estimates in this tier have a high level of uncertainty

concawe Initial estimates of cost of legislation



Additional costs imposed by EU Legislation in 2020 (expressed in \$2012 per barrel of crude) are estimated to be in the range 2.5-4.5 \$/bbl
 This excludes the possible cost impact of crude shuffling resulting from FQD art.7a, estimated by Wood Mackenzie at 1.5-7 \$/bbl
 This compares with the range of EU refining Net Cash Margin of 1-6 \$/bbl over 2000-2012

For More Information

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Backup

- Definitions of
 - Gross Margin,
 - Opex
 - Net Margin

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Gross Margin – in US \$ per Net Raw Material Input Barrel

(Gross Product Value – Raw Material Cost)

Gross Margin = -

Net Raw Material Input

- Gross Product Value: Sum of net product quantity multiplying product price, plus net value of lube refinery & chemical plant transfers, and refineryproduced fuel, minus third-party product terminalling
- Raw Material Cost: Sum of crude quantity multiplying crude price, plus costs for other net raw materials, plus third-party raw material terminalling
- The actual Gross Margin values calculated in \$/bbl are the intellectual property of Solomon Associates and may not be divulged
- The graphs show the indexed \$/bbl Gross Margin values relative to a fixed value in the year 2000, without any adjustment for inflation

Cash OPEX – in US \$ per Net Raw Material Input Barrel

(Personnel Cost + Energy Cost + Other Cost)

Cash OPEX =

Net Raw Material Input Barrels

- Personnel Cost: Includes salaries, wages, and benefits of company employees, contract maintenance labor, other contract services, 55% of annualized turnaround expenses, and General & Administrative personnel cost (G&A; typically provided by parent company at headquarters location)
- Energy Cost: On a net consumption basis, includes purchased fuel, electricity, and steam, plus refinery-produced fuel at regional average price
- Other Cost: All other volume-related or non-volume-related cash operating expenses excluding personnel and energy costs
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Net Cash Margin – in US \$ per Net Raw Material Input Barrel

Gross Product Value – Raw Material Cost + Other Revenue – Cash OPEX

Net Cash Margin =

Net Raw Material Input Barrels

Other Revenue: Revenue from other sales or services such as gaseous and liquid CO₂ sales, insurance payments (if premium reported under OPEX), and reimbursement for services provided to third parties (such as laboratory use, maintenance, environmental, and water treating, excluding toll processing fees)

- Cash OPEX: Sum of personnel cost, energy cost, and other cost
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