



**REGIONAL ACTIVITY CENTRE / REGIONAL MARINE POLLUTION  
EMERGENCY, INFORMATION AND TRAINING CENTRE - WIDER CARIBBEAN REGION**

## **Country Profile 2015**

<b>COUNTRY</b>	<b>REPÚBLICA BOLIVARIANA DE VENEZUELA</b>
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**Introduction**

Thank you for taking the time to complete this important questionnaire. The thorough and accurate information you provide will be used by RAC/REMPEITC-Caribe to:

1. fulfill the exchange of information requirements of the Cartagena Convention and the International Convention on Oil Pollution Prevention, Response and Cooperation, 1990 (OPRC 90),
2. determine your country's specific training and exercise expectations and needs,
3. determine the regional training and exercise needs within the Wider Caribbean Region (WCR),
4. inform the working group currently developing RAC/REMPEITC-Caribe's new, 10-year strategic plan,
5. share with other organizations like UNEP, IMO and ITOPF.

RAC/REMPEITC-Caribe has been serving the marine environmental training, communication and exercise needs of the Wider Caribbean Region for over 20 years. Completing the questionnaire below will ensure RAC/REMPEITC-Caribe meets your needs and expectations well into the future. Thank you.

**Person responsible for this questionnaire**

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**1. Conventions and Agreements Ratified and/or Implemented**

	Oil Spill Response			Prevention and Safety						Compensation						Other				
	OPRC 90	OPRC HNS	Cartagena Conv. Oil Spill Protocol	MARPOL 73/78, protocol 97 Annexes						CLC			Fund			HNS Conv	HNS Prot.	Anti fouling	Bunkers Conv.	Ballast water
				1	2	3	4	5	6	'69	'76	'92	'76	'92	'03	'96	'10	'01	'01	'04
<b>Year of ratification</b>																				
<b>Year of implementation</b>	1994			1998	1995	1999	1993	1999		1991	1991	1991	1991	1991	1991			Por Suscribir	Por Suscribir	Por Suscribir
<b>Expect to Ratify (yes / no)</b>																				

**1.1 What, if any, International Convention is your Country most likely to ratify next?**

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**1.2 Additional Comments**

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**2. National Focal Points**

2.1	<b>MINISTRY OF LEAD AGENCY</b>	Ministerio del Poder Popular para Transporte Acuático y Aéreo	POC: Giuseppe Yofreda Yorio TEL: 58-212-2745411 / 2745458 CELL: FAX: 58-212-6602356 / 6602350 EMAIL:
		Address: Avenida Francisco de Miranda, Torre Pequiven, Municipio Chacao, Caracas.	
2.2	<b>LEAD AGENCY</b>	Instituto Nacional de los Espacios Acuáticos- INEA. Presidencia	POC: César Romero Salazar TEL: 58-212-9091593 / 9091594 CELL: FAX:58-2129091433 EMAIL: <a href="mailto:despacho@inea.gob.ve">despacho@inea.gob.ve</a>
		Address: Calle Orinoco entre Mucuchéfes y Perijá, Edificio INEA	
2.3	<b>SPILL NOTIFICATION POINT</b>	Petróleos de Venezuela, S.A. PDVSA	POC: Ángel Esteban Ortiz TEL: 58-212-274.7493 CELL: FAX: EMAIL:
		Address: Av. Eugenio Mendoza, Centro Letonia, Torre ING Bank, Piso 7, Urb. La Castellana, Distrito Capital 1064-A.	
2.4	<b>RESPONSE AGENCY</b>	Petróleos de Venezuela, S.A. PDVSA	POC: Alfredo Ríos Taborda TEL: 58-212-274.7493 CELL: 0412 3371744 FAX: EMAIL:
		Address: Av. Eugenio Mendoza, Centro Letonia, Torre ING Bank, Piso 7, Urb. La Castellana, Distrito Capital 1064-A.	
2.5	<b>NATIONAL OPERATIONAL CONTACT FOR MARPOL</b>	Instituto Nacional de los Espacios Acuáticos- INEA. Gerencia General de Seguridad y Gente de Mar	POC: Wilfredo Urbáez TEL: 58-212-9091459 CELL: FAX: 58-212-9091450 EMAIL: <a href="mailto:wurbaez@inea.gob.ve">wurbaez@inea.gob.ve</a>
		Address: Calle Orinoco entre Mucuchéfes y Perijá, Edificio INEA	

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2.6	<b>NATIONAL OPERATIONAL CONTACT FOR BALLASTWATER</b>	Instituto Nacional de los Espacios Acuáticos- INEA. Gerencia de Seguridad Integral	POC: Yyaré Parra Pichardo TEL: 58-212-9091552 CELL: FAX: 58-212-9091551 EMAIL: <a href="mailto:yparra@inea.gob.ve">yparra@inea.gob.ve</a>
		Address: Calle Orinoco entre Mucuchíes y Perijá, Edificio INEA	

### 3. Risk Assessment

3.1	What is your Countries greatest risk for an oil spill?	
3.2	Date of last oil spill risk assessment?	
3.3	Topics covered?	
3.4	Geographic area?	
3.5	What area is considered a priority?	
3.6	Additional comments / Difficulties encountered?	

### 4. Sensitivity Maps

4.1	Sensitivity Maps exist?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No (go to 4.5)
4.2	Date of map or last update?	
4.3	Geographic area covered?	
4.4	Format used: paper or electronic?	
4.5	Additional comments/ Difficulties encountered?	El mapa de sensibilidad es competencia de otro ente diferente al INEA
4.6	Will you share with RAC/REMPEITC-Caribe data layers for your sensitivity maps if any?	Se debe realizar los trámites correspondientes para esta solicitud.

**5. National Contingency Plan**

5.1a	National Contingency Plan exists?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No – Status of Plan <input type="checkbox"/> Draft <input type="checkbox"/> To be developed Details: ...				
5.1b	Is there a National Contingency Plan for HNS incidents? (& if so, is this an extension of the oil spill contingency plan or a separate document?)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No – Status of Plan <input type="checkbox"/> Extension of the NCP <input type="checkbox"/> Separate document <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Draft <input type="checkbox"/> To be developed Details: ...				
5.2	Date Plan was developed or updated?	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="width: 50%; text-align: center;">NCP</th> <th style="width: 50%; text-align: center;">NCP for HNS incidents</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">Se actualiza cada cierto tiempo</td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	NCP	NCP for HNS incidents	Se actualiza cada cierto tiempo	
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5.3	Date approved?					
5.4	Is the Plan in electronic format?	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tbody> <tr> <td style="width: 50%; text-align: center;"> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No         </td> <td style="width: 50%; text-align: center;"> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No         </td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No					
5.5	Date of the last evaluation with the assessment tool, the "Readiness Evaluation Tool for Oil Spills (RETOS™)"					
5.6	What is the National policy on dispersant use and in-situ burning?	No está permitido el uso de dispersantes en nuestro país. El incendio controlado, solo cuando la situación y las condiciones lo permitan				
5.7	Agreements with other organizations for response? (Please provide details)	Todos los entes con competencia, participan de manera conjunta en casos que lo ameriten.				
5.8	Does the country have regulations for managing waste? (Please provide details)	Existen regulaciones en cuanto al manejo de los desechos. PDVSA es ente responsable de su implementación				
5.9	Additional comments/ Difficulties encountered?					

### 6. Exercises / Training / Incidents

6.1	What is the national agency in charge of personnel training?	Cada ente con competencias específicas, se encarga de la capacitación y entrenamiento de su personal, con el apoyo de otros organismos.
6.2	Does a national center exist to train personnel?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes (Please provide details) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
6.3	Date of last national exercise?	
6.4	Has there been any experience of ship-source Oil pollution related incidents?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes (Please provide details) La más reciente, fue ocasionada por un Buque denominado GDANKS en cuerpo de agua fluvial (Río Orinoco). <input type="checkbox"/> No
6.5	Has there been any experience of ship-source HNS related incidents?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes (Please provide details) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
6.6	Additional comments/ Difficulties encountered?	

### 7. Regional Cooperation

7.1	What are the bilateral or multilateral agreements for the country?	Existe un Convenio Bilateral con Trinidad y Tobago
7.2	What are the opportunities in developing a regional exercise in the country?	
7.3	Is there a mechanism in place to facilitate the clearance of equipment through Customs in an emergency situation? What is the process?	
7.4	Additional comments?	

### 8. Equipment

8.1	Does your country maintain a list of oil spill cleanup equipment and materials?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (go to 8.4)
8.2	Is this equipment list in electronic format?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
8.3	What equipment is available for Oil pollution incident response? (a	

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	general indication of the types and amounts of response equipment and materials available from both government agencies and private companies within the country).	
8.4	What equipment is available for HNS incident response? (a general indication of the types and amounts of response equipment and materials available from both government agencies and private companies within the country).	
8.5	Are there agreements in place to facilitate additional support (i.e. aerial support, medical support, manpower, communications) (possibilities for deploying dispersants with planes or helicopters)?	
8.6	Additional comments?	

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## FUTURE EXPECTATIONS

### Expectations

#### Introduction

The objective of this part is to identify a country's needed support from various regional and international organizations (activities, manuals, guidelines, etc). This will allow RAC/REMPEITC-Caribe to update their strategic plan to meet the country's expectations and to further develop the Caribbean Island OPRC Plan. While RAC/REMPEITC-Caribe will consider all proposed recommendations, there may be cases where certain expectations will not be met due to financial constraints and/or other commitments.

### **9. Technical Support**

9.1	With respect to the activities developed by RAC/REMPEITC-Caribe, list three activities that are needed in order to	1.  2.
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	improve your country's pollution response posture.	3.	
9.2	What guidelines or technical manuals does your country use in regards to pollution response <b>preparedness</b> (title & author)?	Los documentos técnicos que utiliza nuestro país, son los preparados por la OMI desde sus diferentes Comités y Sub Comités.	
9.3	What guidelines or technical manuals does your country use in regards to pollution <b>response</b> (title & author)?	Los documentos técnicos que utiliza nuestro país, son los preparados por la OMI desde sus diferentes Comités y Sub Comités.	
9.4	How does your country stay informed of the latest response guidelines or obtain updates to the technical manuals (seminars, internet, personal relationships)?	Nuestro país participa en las actividades de capacitación de organizaciones internacionales, avaladas por la OMI. Así mismo, se mantiene actualizada la data proveniente de organizaciones internacionales a las cuales formamos parte.	
9.5	How does your country access these updates (mail order, internet, seminars)?		
9.6	Which of these topics would your country need more guidance on?  <i>Note: Please be specific and add more comments if necessary.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Legislation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Risk Assessment <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sensitivity Maps <input type="checkbox"/> Response Techniques ( <i>conventional / alternative</i> ) <input type="checkbox"/> National Contingency Plan <input type="checkbox"/> MARPOL ( <i>specify Annex</i> )	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Waste Management <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ballast Water Management <input type="checkbox"/> Anti-fouling Systems <input type="checkbox"/> International Cooperation <input type="checkbox"/> Research & Development <input type="checkbox"/> Other: ...
9.7	Why did you choose these topics?	De acuerdo a nuestro conocimiento, en esas áreas existen oportunidades de mejora, de ahí la razón de su escogencia.	

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9.8	How would you like these topics to be presented (technically, practically, theoretically, etc.)?	Sería muy positivo contar con la parte teórica y práctica de estos tópicos.
9.9	What are your expectations from the international technical groups?	Intercambio de información, preparación, información actualizada
9.10	Additional comments?	

### 10. Expectations

10.1	During an actual oil spill situation, what are your response expectations at each of the below levels (i.e. initial intervention, organization, coordination, equipment, waste management, compensation, etc.)?	Actuación especializada y bien coordinada de todos los entes involucrados. Contar con los equipos al momento y disponer de los medios apropiados para su reposición. En caso de que sea necesario, proceder a la compensación de todos los afectados.
	TIER 1	Respuesta inmediata bien definida.
	TIER 2	Equipos disponibles y mecanismos de reposición.
	TIER 3	Recuperación del espacio afectado y compensación.
10.2	What are your expectations in regards to bilateral or multilateral agreements?	Compete a otro ente atender estos asuntos.
10.3	What are your expectations in regards to the Caribbean Island OPRC Plan?	
10.4	Additional comments?	