

Assessing the HC potential of Devonian-Carboniferous Carbonates in the Dutch subsurface – part 1

Dinantian Carbonates of the Zeeland Grp

- Petroleum play producing in Caspian Sea at ~4.5 km depth; eg Tengiz, Kashagan
- NL wells and seismic data show potential for fractured / karstified (producing) reservoir.
- Cluster of sizable leads straddling the UK-NL median line, close to existing infrastructure
- Namurian clastics may form secondary target
- NL-block P10c awarded recently, blocks P04, P07, P08b have been applied for.
- Geothermal potential onshore NL
- MSc research at EBN by Nynke Hoornveld ('12-'13) and Jan Schneider ('13-'14)
- MSc research at TNO by Roy Boots ('13-'14) TNO-supervisor Johan ten Veen, EBN co-supervisor.
- Prospectivity screening of the Dinantian Carbonates by EBN (supported by PanTerra)
- Data acquisition by EBN at well CAL-GT-01 ('12) (in corporation with Wijnen Squarecrops)





Dinantian carbonates of the Zeeland Group key play elements

Structure	(faulted) carbonate platform
Source	Namurian / Dinantian shales (lateral migration)
Reservoir	karstified / fractured (Visean) limestone
Seal	Namurian shales (top / side seal)



Early Carboniferous Dinantian carbonates (Visean) paleogeography and changes in carbonate platform type



From Bridges et al. (1995)

Dinantian platform carbonates – conceptual model karst scenarios (with examples)



Dinantian platform carbonates in seismic

Tournasian ramp and Visean shelf in S, Visean mounds and platforms in North



Reservoir quality – from tombstone to cave indications for good reservoir quality from well data and seismic



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Dinantian Carbonate play in the SNS in brief – more details on poster 6



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Devonian Carbonates of the Kyle Limestone Fm

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- MSc research at VU / EBN by Koos de Jong, project "Sea-Arm" ('15-'16)





Distribution of Mid-Upp Devonian Carbonates (3) recent seismic changes the map, plus indications for HTD reservoir ?



Paleogeographic reconstruction Middle Devonian From de Jong et al. (2016)

From Grammer et al (2010) (Devonian Slave Point reservoir, Canada)

Kyle Lst Fm in recent 3D seismic (DEF)



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Seismic data courtesy Spectrum SA

Devonian carbonates of the Kyle Limestone Fm

key play elements – similar to other carbonate petroleum plays

Trap	fault-dip closures and stratigraphic traps
Source	intra-Kyle Fm shales (i.e. self-sourcing)
Reservoir	Kyle Fm limestone (karstified / dolomitised / fractured)
Seal	Kyle Fm shales

Critical factors

- Timing of karstification / dolomitisation (rifting / heatflow)
- Intra-Kyle source rock potential and timing of maturity
- Retention potential

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Kyle Lst Fm (equivalent) in recent 3D seismic allowing for advanced seismic interpretation as part of project Sea-Arm



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