



METHANE  
GUIDING  
PRINCIPLES

# The Methane Guiding Principles

Rebecca Middleton

*Programme Manager, Methane Guiding Principles*

# Methane Guiding Principles



## Overview

### MGP Mission Statement

- Methane Guiding Principles is a voluntary, international multi-stakeholder partnership between industry and non-industry organisations. It has a focus on priority areas for action along the natural gas supply chain, from production to the final consumer.

### The 5 Guiding Principles – At-a-Glance

- Continually reduce methane emissions
- Advance strong performance across gas value chains
- Improve accuracy of methane emissions data
- Advocate sound policy/regulations on methane emissions
- Increase transparency

## Signatories and Supporting Organisations



# EXPECTATIONS OF MEMBERS

---

- Signatories commit to progressing the five Methane Guiding Principles.
- Signatories will publicly report on how they are meeting the intent of the Methane Guiding Principles.
- Each Signatory and Supporting Organisation will support at least one project annually, in-kind and/or financially, that will be publicly reported.
- Any relevant outputs from completed projects will be made public, where appropriate and via relevant channels.





METHANE  
GUIDING  
PRINCIPLES

# Reducing Methane Emissions: Best Practices

Muhunthan Sathiamoorthy,  
*Methane SME, bp*

# Best Practice Guides – Why the Need ?

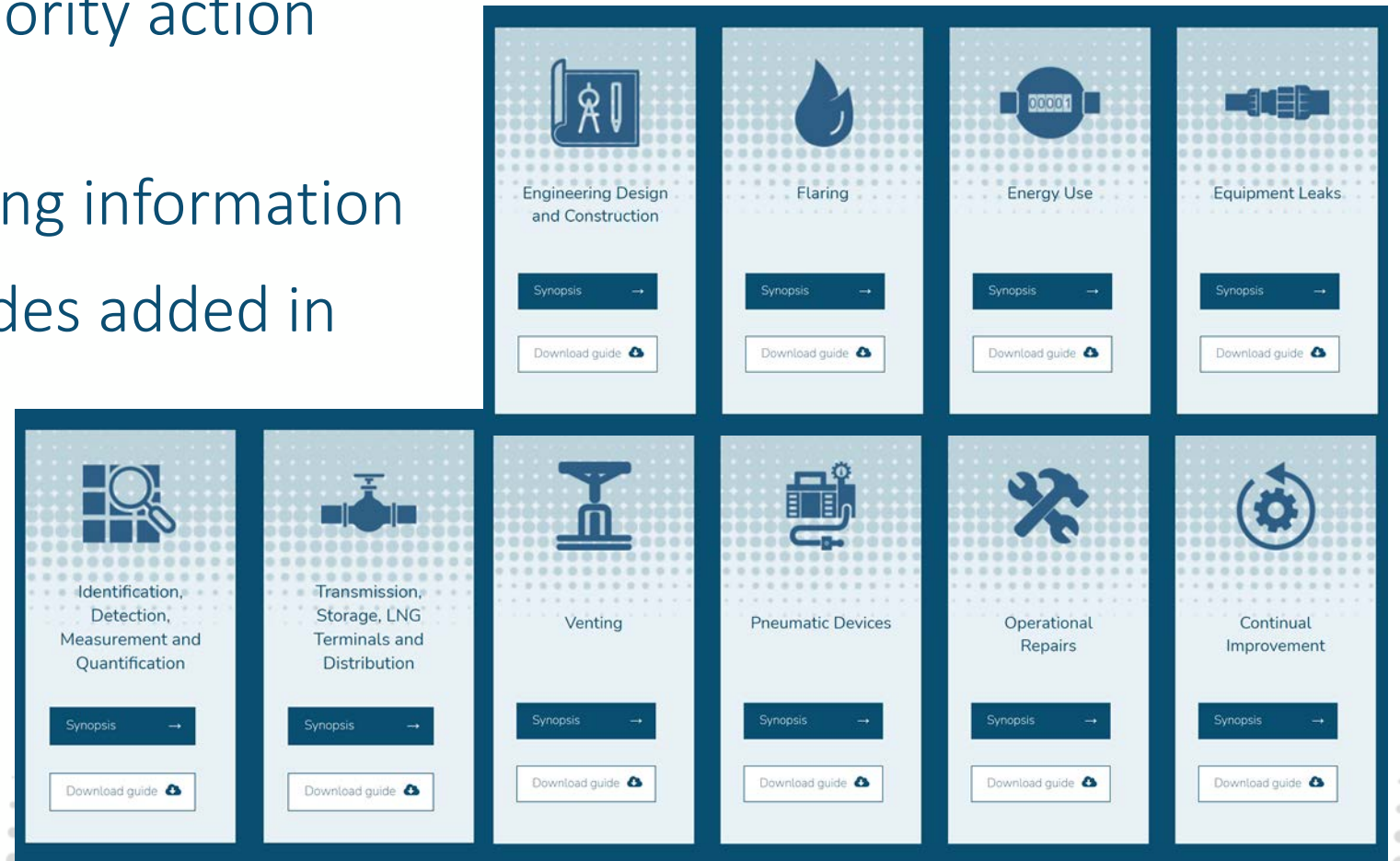
---



- Designed to support methane emissions management across the natural gas supply chain
- Provide consistent, accurate guidance recognising technology developments
- Developed by experts:
  - Matt Harrison from SLR International Corporation and
  - Professor Dave Allen from University of Texas (Austin) as Lead Authors
- Reviewed, supported by members

# Best Practice Guides (BPG) – Coverage

- 8 Guides with focus on priority action areas.
- 2 Guides provide supporting information
- Demand driven e.g. 2 Guides added in 2020



# Designed to be Useable / Useful

- Each Guide provides a summary of current known mitigations, costs, and available technologies.
  - Summary, Intro
  - Mitigation
  - Case studies / Examples
  - Checklist
  - References
- Synopsis provided to get to key information quickly
- Can be updated in the future to reflect technology advancements
- Guides in multiple languages: English Spanish, French, Mandarin, Arabic and Russia



## Checklist

### Methods of reducing methane emissions from leaks in equipment:

- Keep an accurate inventory of emissions from equipment leaks.
- Conduct a periodic leak detection and repair program.
- Consider using alternative monitoring programs.
- Replace or eliminate components that persistently leak.

# Use of the Best Practice Guides

---



- Published on the MGP website  
<https://methaneguidingprinciples.org/best-practice-guides/>
- Incorporated into the Global Outreach Programme (delivered by the Sustainable Gas Institute – Imperial College)
- Please use, socialise, provide feedback



# RESOURCES

- The **Gap Assessment Tool** enables organisations to carry out a self-assessment of the completeness and maturity of their existing methane management arrangements based on a simple scoring system. Gaps in current arrangements can be identified, so that improvement measures can be developed.
- The **MGP Global Outreach Programme** comprises of two courses: An Executive Course and a Masterclass designed to improve awareness and know-how on managing methane emissions. Available through F2F and virtual delivery mechanisms, with an e-learning under development.
- A **Policy Framework** sets out the key elements that would form an effective policy framework focused on ensuring ambitious methane reduction outcomes are met. It is intended to provide a foundation upon which jurisdiction-specific regulatory recommendations could be based.
- The **Methane Cost Model** provides the user with a screening tool to identify and evaluate potential methane reduction projects across the natural gas supply chain. The model can be used for both the early design phase of a project as well modifications to existing operations.

*For all yellow cells, please select the appropriate information from the drop-down menu*

Natural Gas Segments to Include in Assessment	
<input type="checkbox"/> Onshore Production	<input type="checkbox"/> Gathering and Boosting
<input type="checkbox"/> Offshore Production	<input type="checkbox"/> Processing
<input type="checkbox"/> Transmission	<input type="checkbox"/> Storage (Underground and LNG)
<input type="button" value="Go"/>	
Inputs	
<i>General Inputs</i>	
Currency Units	\$ (Dollar, Peso)
Exchange Rate (1 USD equals)	<input type="text" value=""/>
Units	US
Cost of Carbon (\$/Ton CO <sub>2</sub> e)	<input type="text" value=""/>
Natural Gas Price (\$/MMBtu)	<input type="text" value=""/>
<i>Offshore Production</i>	
LDAR Program in place?	<input type="text" value=""/>
Number Offshore Platforms	<input type="text" value=""/>
<i>Transmission</i>	
LDAR Program in place?	<input type="text" value=""/>
Number of Compressor Stations	<input type="text" value=""/>

# CONTACTS

---

- Rebecca Middleton
- Programme Manager – Methane Guiding Principles
- +44 7913 054283
- [rebecca.middleton@climateinvestments.energy](mailto:rebecca.middleton@climateinvestments.energy)

# Q&A

---

