



**SPE's Management and Information
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She is the 2017 incoming president of the Society of Decision Professionals (SDP), a board certified Decision Analysis Fellow, a Professional Engineer, a published speaker on decision making and decision quality implementation and has led a global decision analysis practice for 22 years.






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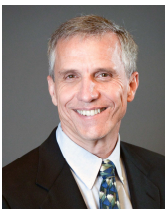
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Mr. Burdett is the lead author of a multi-company expert committee which drafted the SPE Technical Report: "Guidelines for Decision Quality for Multi-Company Upstream Projects", published in 2016.

Burdett has held various positions in Decision Quality and Analysis throughout his 10 years working with Chevron as a consultant and employee. He currently serves as Appraisal Decision Analysis Lead.




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Are you an SPE Member?




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What geographical area are you from?

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What is your affiliation?

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What is your main job interest?

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Outline



- What is the opportunity?
- What are the challenges?
- How do we get there?
 - Give decision makers what they need
 - Use a proven decision quality process
 - Review 6 components

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The Opportunity: Improving on "Dismal" Performance



- Recent large upstream oil and gas projects:
 - 78% of projects underperformed *
 - Average of 33% cost overruns
 - Average of 30% schedule overruns
 - 64% of underperformers had serious production problems
- Causes:
 - Execution problems – "poor functional integration"
 - Complex frontier geology?
 - Unlucky?
- Pre- FID?
 - MISALIGNMENT?
 - POOR DECISION QUALITY?

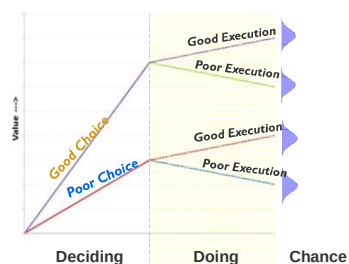
* Source: Edward Merrow, IPA, [Oil & Gas Facilities](#), April 2012

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The Opportunity: Sources of Value



There is more value to be gained or lost in the decision stage, than in execution or outcomes.



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The Challenge: *Multi-Company O&G Projects*



- **Operator dominance**
 - Under-representation from co-owners
 - “Operator-centric” interpretations
 - Perspective limited by Operator’s experience
- **Project/Ownership complexity**
 - Incomplete functional representation
 - Communication
- **Alignment**
 - Disagreement
 - Limitations on sharing information (Legal, competitive)

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How do we get there? *Give Decision Makers What They Need.*



Give Decision Makers what they
need for clarity of thought.

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Decision Maker's Bill of Rights

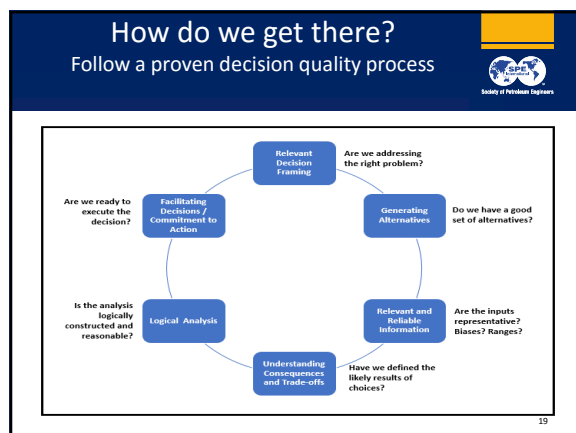
As a decision maker, you have the right to:

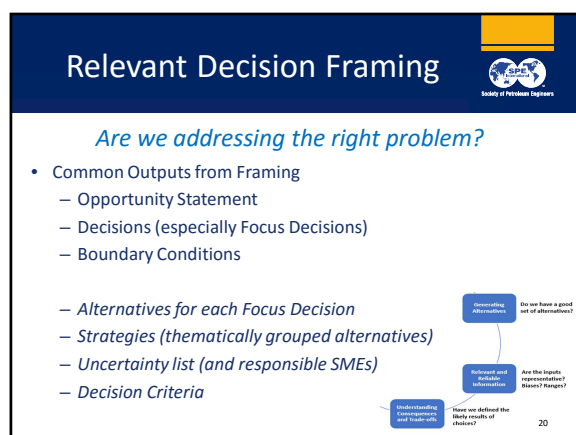
- A **decision frame** that structures the decision in the context most relevant to your needs,
- **Creative alternatives** that allow you to make a selection among viable and distinct choices,
- **Relevant and reliable information** upon which to base your decision, including the uncertainty of the information
- An understanding of the **potential consequences** of each alternative based on your choice criteria
- A **logical analysis** that allows you to draw meaningful conclusions from the information to reach **clarity of action**
- **Effective facilitation** to gain alignment and commitment to action



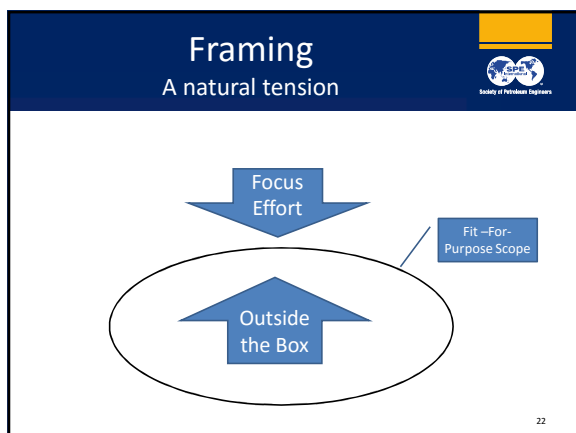
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Generating Alternatives

Do we have a good set of alternatives?

- Doable
- Compelling
- Covers the “solution space”
- Innovative
 - Creative, supportive discussion
 - Diversity of expertise and perspective

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Generating Alternatives

Alternatives List

Type of Test/EPS	Number/Type of Test Wells	Production Test Duration	Well Completion
Drill stem test (DST)	Appraisal well	30 Days	Single Zone
Lease 30 kbd FPSO	1 New Well	6 Months	Commingle Multiple Zones
Purchase 60 kbd FPSO	2 New Wells	1 Year	Selective Multiple Zones
Tie-back to nearby field	3 New Wells	2 Years	
	4 New Wells		

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Generating Alternatives				
Strategy Table				
	Type of Test/EPS	Number/Type of Test Wells	Production Test Duration	Well Completion
Strategy A Objective Obtain Information Rationale Uncertainty Reduction at Low Cost	Drill Stem Test (DST)	Appraisal Well	30 Days	Commingled Multiple Zones
Strategy B Objective Lowest Cost for Longer Term Data Rationale Better Reservoir Investigation	Lease 30 kbd FPSO	Appraisal Well	6 Months	Selective Multiple Zones
Strategy C Objective Present Development Rationale Higher Cost Might be Offset by Better Revenue	Lease 30 kbd FPSO	2 New Wells	2 Years	Commingled Multiple Zones
Strategy D Objective Present Development Rationale Potentially Higher Production Without Constraint	Purchase 60 kbd FPSO	3 New Wells	2 Years	Commingled Multiple Zones
Strategy E Objective Infrastructure Commitment to New Infrastructure Rationale Can Continue Production if Reservoir Performance is Good	Tie back to nearby field	1 New Wells	2 Years	Commingled Multiple Zones

Source: Decision Frameworks

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Relevant and Reliable Information	
• Characteristics of good information – Timely – Unbiased – Reliable – Relevant – Assured	

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Information Reliability	
• Representative Data – Analogs – Benchmarking • Expert Assessment – Representativeness of analogs – Assessment without analogs – Diversity of perspective • Uncertainty - probabilities	

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Defining Uncertainty Ranges



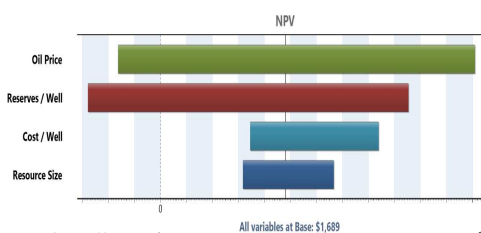
- There should be a 90% probability (P90) that the actual value will equal or exceed the **Low Estimate**.
- There should be a 50% probability (P50) that the actual value will equal or exceed the **Median Estimate**.
- There should be a 10% probability (P10) that the actual value will equal or exceed the **High Estimate**.

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Information Relevance



- Tornado Chart ties uncertainties to results
- Extremes are at the High (P10) and Low (P90) Estimate
- Arbitrary ranges?



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Understanding Consequences and Trade-offs



Have we defined the likely results of choices?

- Decision Metrics
 - Quantitative
 - Qualitative
- Trade offs

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Logical Analysis



Is the analysis logically constructed and reasonable?

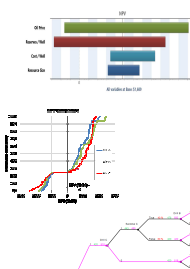
- Decision Metrics flow from inputs
 - Communicates the uncertainty around metrics
- Decision-focused analysis
- Fit-for-purpose

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Analysis Tools



- Deterministic Analysis
 - Sensitivities
 - Scenario
- Probabilistic Analysis
 - Discrete values
 - Monte Carlo (stochastic)



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Facilitating Decisions & Commitment to Action



Are we ready to execute the decision?

*You can't have clarity of action
without clarity of thought. **

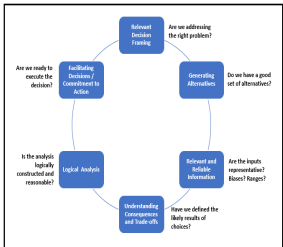
* Ron Howard (father of decision analysis)

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The process, and the resulting commitment, is only as strong as the weakest link.

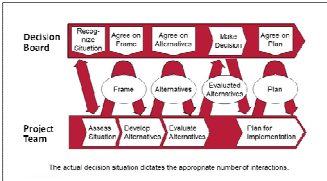


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Facilitating Decisions & Commitment to Action



Dialogue between the Project Team and decision makers throughout the process assures alignment and “buy-in” at each step and confidence in the decision.



Source: Strategic Decisions Group

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Final Thoughts on Decision Quality



"As I think back over the years, I have been guided by four principles for decision making:

- First, the only certainty is that there is no certainty.
- Second, every decision, as a consequence, is a matter of weighing probabilities.
- Third, despite uncertainty we must decide and we must act.
- And lastly, we need to judge decisions not only on the results, but on how they were made." *

*Robert Rubin, US Treasury Secretary, Clinton Administration

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Poll Question



What aspects of Decision Quality do you see most important for the industry right now?

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Quality offerings from SPE, such as webinars, workshops, forums, tracks at major conferences?

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Questions

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