



We have come across a very active and innovative site dealing with the Iranian Oil, Gas and Petrochemical Industries' issues. In a relatively short period of time, " Iranoilgas.com ", has managed to attract the attention of a vast spectrum of firms and individuals interested in the field.

Following is an interview conducted with the Director of the site:

Q) When was " iranoilgas.com " launched and which sphere does it cover?

A) Iranoilgas.com, as a news disseminating site, started functioning in the year 2000. The objective of the founders of this, very first Iranian independent English language site, was to collect and display news and information pertaining to Iran's oil, gas and petrochemical industries, on daily basis.

Q) What was the motive behind the creation of the site?

A) In view of the existing gap of updated information and data in the said industries then, which was vividly visible amongst the companies involved in the field (local & foreign alike), iranoilgas.com was established as a challenge to fill the mentioned gap.

Q) What are the services provided by the site and whose needs does it furnish?Right

A) from the outset, the site has tried

to concentrate on information and data concerning following items:

a) Daily news, reports and studies about oil, gas and petrochemical industries of Iran.

b) Daily coverage of prominent news items of the field, appearing in the Persian and English newspapers of Iran.

c) A directory of all relevant local and Iran- based foreign oil companies, along with the summery of their activities. (About 1500 entries)

d) Details of Oil and Gas projects, Upstream, Downstream, Onshore, Offshore and Explorations plus Petrochemical projects.

e) Oil companies' news, consisting of their activities, projects in Iran and developments in their structures and functions.

f) Details of all tenders, pertaining to oil activities, issued in Iran.

g) All of Iran's hydrocarbon specifications.

h) Comprehensive oil terminology glossary, commercial and legal rules and regulations....etc.

Q) How often are the site information and data updated?

A) It all depends on the type of data. News and Press Digest are updated daily (holidays excluded). Tenders are updated as soon as issued by concerned authorities. As for projects, as soon as their progresses are publicized the site updates them.

Q) Has the site been largely welcomed by the members?

A) Ever since Iranoilgas.com has come into being, it has managed to attract the attraction of many companies, research institutes and local as well as foreign publications of the field. Right now the site has well over 10,000 visitors a month. Membership of the site, from all around the global (starting last February), has crossed 150 in number.

Q) Could you elaborate on that " Sitehibition " webpage?

A) The innovative virtual exhibition called "Sitehibition", is a stall in the site, wherein pertinent companies can put forth their backgrounds and activities so that visitors can get acquainted with them. It is actually an animated webpage with relevant images and a musical theme, designed by us and endorsed by the clients. Information in each Sitehibition can be altered or updated if and when necessary.

Q) What are the future plans for the enhancement of the site?

A) Enhancement of the existing features of the site will be an ongoing attempt for the future. The Future expansion of the site will also include coverage of oil, gas and petrochemical activities in the Persian Gulf and the CIS regions. Adding new and attractive features will be kept in mind all along.