

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES OPEN TO THE PETROLEUM GEOSCIENTIST

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ABSTRACT

The author is a petroleum geologist who ventured into the business arena over eight years ago, first into petroleum consulting and publishing and then into petroleum exploration and production efforts. The two companies in which he has substantial interests produce currently over 1,000 bopd.

At the present time in Trinidad and Tobago, as in many other parts of the world, the downsizing of larger state and private oil companies has resulted in many producing and highly prospective properties coming on the market, and in the formation of many new local independent oil production companies. The author outlines the history of his experiences in the business side of petroleum, examines the current potential opportunities which are available in Trinidad and Tobago and offers some suggestions, based partly on his experiences, to geoscientists wishing to take advantage of these opportunities.