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Case Study

BP Oil Refinery Mersin Turkey



Overview: ATAS Refinery is a joint venture between British and Turkish Petroleum companies. Since refining ceased earlier this decade the site has been earmarked for conversion to an oil terminal, with decommissioning of the 50 year old refinery site forming one of the early phases.

Sector: Petroleum

Location: Mersin, Turkey

Project duration: 6 years (2004 – Present)

The OHS Role:

We conducted a preliminary site visit to deliver a feasibility study and fully costed workable action plan which had to be undertaken whilst the site was still live and fully operational. A fundamental part of the health and safety consultation involved a major asbestos survey and removal project in compliance with strict UK and Turkish legislation. To this end the refinery, support services and site accommodation were subject to Type 2 and Type 3 surveys. These were undertaken by OHS consultants sent from the UK in conjunction with local personnel fully trained by OHS and involved close cooperation with the Turkish Government and Industry Authorities.

Achieved Targeted Results:

The consequent results and the monitored ongoing success of the project including the delivery of a fully comprehensive training programme in Turkish enabling previous refinery workers and engineering contractors to assist with surveys, manage and remove asbestos to UK standards resulted in the nomination for a prestigious International Industry Award. The contract is ongoing and OHS have maintained through out the whole project a full time presence on site, including analytical monitoring and four stage clearance with abatement undertaken by Turkish personnel.

