

# Sasol Technology R&D Coal and Gas Processing



# A DIAMOND IN THE GLOBAL WORLD OF CARBON



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# **Population statistics**



Population:	49,991,300 (July 2010 est.)[1]	50000	
Growth rate:	-0.051%[2]	4500	
Birth rate:	19.61 births/1,000 population (2010 est.)	40000	
Death rate:	16.99 deaths/1,000 population (2010 est.)	35000	
Life expectancy:	49.2 years (2010 est.)		
-male:	50.08 years (2010 est.)	30000	
-female:	48.29 years (2010 est.)	25000	
Fertility rate:	2.33 children born/woman (2010 est.)	2000	
Infant mortality rate:	43.78 deaths/1,000	2000	
Age st	ructure	15000	
0-14 years:	28.9% (male 7,093,328/female 7,061,579)	h	
15-64 years:	65.8% (male 16,275,424/female 15,984,181)		
65-over:	5.4% (male 1,075,117/female 1,562,860) (2010 est.)		



http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Demographics\_of\_South\_Africa



# South-Africa in size comparison



South Africa occupies 4% of the continent's total landmass, covering an area of 1 221 040 square kilometres. The country is five times larger than Great Britain and three times the size of Texas.

http://www.edusouthafrica.com/south-africa.html



# Coal utilization in South Africa (2010)





Producers	Mtce / annum
China	2 971
USA	919
India	526
Australia	335
Indonesia	263
South Africa	247
Russia	229
Kazakhstan	96
Poland	78
Colombia	73
Rest of World	253
World	5990

Exporters	Mtce / annum
Australia	262
Indonesia	230
Russia	116
Colombia	70
South Africa	67
USA	53
Canada	28
Vietnam	26
China	23
Kazakstan	23
Rest of World	47
World	944





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# Sasol's global presence (updated end 2011)





#### Southern Africa



Rest of Africa and Middle East



Central Asia, India and South East Asia



Western Europe



#### North America and Canada



Far East

New projects



Research

# Sasol in South-Africa?





## **Birth of Sasol**





South African Government investigated the production of oil from coal.

Decided to form a state-owned company

Sasol incorporated as a state owned company



South Africa has very little crude oil and gas reserves but large coal reserves



Sasol's first board of directors

Government support was essential for the establishment of a Synfuels Industry

Sasol I





### Initial Facility Profitable within 5 years of start-up

# Sasol II & III





# Sasol II & III completed









#### **Sasol group Chemical Cluster South African Energy Cluster Sasol Group Services Sasol Polymers Sasol Mining** Sasol Solvents Sasol Gas Sasol Olefins and Surfactants **Corporate Affairs** Sasol Nitro **Sasol Synfuels Government Relations** Sasol Wax Sasol Oil **Group Finance** Sasol Infrachem **Other SA Energy** Merisol Human Resources Information Management **Investor Relations Other businesses International Energy Cluster** Legal and Assurance Safety Health and Environment Sasol Technology

Strategy and Planning Supply Chain Management Sasol Synfuels International (SSI) Sasol Petroleum International (SPI) Sasol Technology Sasol New Energy Sasol Financing







Since inception, produced more than 1.6 billion barrels of high quality fuels from coal and gas. More than 20 million gasifier operating hours. More than 1 billion tons of coal processed at Sasol Synfuels



Sasol's largest commercial facilities is the Sasol Synfuels operations in Secunda in South Africa

The Secunda plant is an equivalent of 160,000 bbd refinery

Coal is first gasified in the Sasol® FBDB<sup>™</sup> Gasification Process to produce synthesis gas

The synthesis gas is then converted into hydrocarbons and other chemicals utilizing Sasol's proprietary Hydrocarbon Synthesis technologies

Some Synfuels Facts from a Gasification Perspective In excess of 1 billion tons of coal has been gasified Total coal mined per year >41 million tons; 26 million tons to gasification 6 Coal Sources: 5 Sasol Mines + 1 mine as contracted coal supplier (High ash yield 25-35+ % AD) 84 Mk IV<sup>™</sup> Sasol® Fixed Bed Dry Bottom<sup>™</sup> Gasifiers producing > 3 million m<sub>n</sub><sup>3</sup>/h



Sasol reaching new frontiers

## SA energy drives growth in group profitability

	2012	2011	% $\Delta$
SA Energy	29,0	19,9	<b>4</b> 5
International Energy	(0,1)	1,6	▼103
Chemicals	6,5	8,7	<b>v</b> 25
Other	1,4	(0,3)	
Operating profit (Rbn)	36,8	29,9	▲ 23
Operating margin (%)	21,7	21,0	▲ 1
Earnings per share (R)	39,10	32,97	<b>▲</b> 19
Dividend per share (R)	17,50	13,00	▲ 35
Cash generated by operations (Rbn)	47,9	38,6	▲ 24

- Significant improvements in production performance in 2H12
- Operating profit negatively impacted by once-off charges of R2,1bn (FY11: R1,1bn)
- Robust performance from SA Energy
- International energy impacted by Canada non-cash costs
- Chemicals negatively impacted by lower demand and margin squeeze



#### Operating profit split

■ SA Energy ■ Intl Energy ■ Chemicals ■ Other



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# Sasol Technology R&D





- •Corporate R&D located mostly in Sasolburg (590)
- •Also centers in Secunda (30); Netherlands (9); Scotland (22)
- •Extensive R&D Infrastructure
- •Laboratories & Pilot Plants
- •Design; Construction; Commissioning & Operation
- •Main R&D Focus Areas

**Coal & Gas Processing Technologies** 

Fischer Tropsch Chemicals Environment Refinery Technologies New Energy







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# 2011 / 2012 Budget

•Operating budget R 785 million (US\$112M)

## Facilities in Sasolburg

- Laboratories
- Analytical equipment
- •Pilot Plants
- •Library
- Maintenance workshops

## **External Liaison**

- Local Universities
- •Foreign Universities
- Various Research Institutes





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## **Coal & Gas Processing Technologies - Value Chains**





# coal & gas processing technologies R&D





## **Coal Characterisation & Processing**

- Physical and chemical properties
- Coal processing and beneficiation
- Coal agglomeration

## **Gasification Technologies**

- Sasol ® Fixed Bed Dry Bottom™ Technology
- Underground Coal Gasification
- High Temperature Gasification
- Fluidized Bed Gasification

## **Synthesis Gas Treatment**

• Gas Cooling, Cleaning & Conditioning





# coal & gas processing technologies R&D

# Sasol reaching new frontiers



## **Co-product Processing**

- Sasol® Gas Liquor Separation™
- Sasol® Phenosolvan™
- Sasol® CLL™ Ammonia Recovery
- Coal Tar Filtration

## Supporting

- Direct Coal Liquefaction
- Pyrolysis
- Coal Combustion
- Process Modeling











# Some Facts about C&GPT Team







<b>Qualifications</b>
PhD = 16
MSc=9
BSc (4yrs) = 2
BSc (3yrs) = 1
Diploma = 2
Matric and below $= 5$

# Specialized skills tools to assist R&D programs





Discreet element modelling (DEM)



Velocity profile for reversible ploughs



Lab scale atmospheric reactor s(i.e. pipe reactor)











## Inorganic simulation of mineral matter



## • HT-XRD – mineral characterization



Spectroscopy lab

# Typical C&GPT programsTeam







#### **Coal Supply Value Chain**

- On-line Coal Quality Measurements & Gasifier Performance Monitoring
- Particle Size Distribution Optimization
- Coal Characterization
- Mineral Transformation
- Coal Agglomeration



#### **Coal Conversion**

- Intensification of Sasol® FBDB™ Process
- Optimization of mass flow behaviour
- Reactor Development
- Alternative Gasification Technologies
- Underground Coal Gasification



Sasol Coal Stirrer-Distributor™ for Caking Coal



Enhanced Mk V<sup>™</sup> Gasifier Internals



#### **Coal Derived Condensate & Gas Treatment**

Coal Derived Condensate Characterization & Prediction Alternative Phenol recovery Sulphur Recovery Optimization

Reduction of Environmental Footprint



Advanced Ash Lock & Coal Lock Valve Designs

# Effect of mineral matter on slag formation









Cooled slag or glas

Crystalline material

HT-XRD









- Patterns recorded using a Philips X'pert MPD diffractometer equipped with Raytech 12° position sensitive detector and an Anton Paar HTK2000 heating stage
- Radiation used was Co-Kα2
- Sample placed on Pt-strip
- Recorded X-ray spectra with crystalline phase...50°C and 100°C intervals.







# Equilibrium simulation and Factsage<sup>™</sup>





#### Minerals Engineering

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#### Mineral matter transformation during Sasol-Lurgi fixed bed dry bottom gasification – utilization of HT-XRD and FactSage modelling

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## Viscosity predictions of the slag composition of gasified coal, utilizing FactSage equilibrium modelling

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# Importance of tar





# *Tar production during low pressure gasification:*

- Liquids evolved from the gasifier downstream are tar, oil, gas liquor and naphtha
- Tars and oils are distilled in the tar refinery into various boiling point cuts (light and heavy)
- Heavy cut (pitch) is used as a feed for coal-tar coke productiom
- Light cuts are hydrogenated for the fuel pool

### Importance of tar:

- Light cuts are hydrogenated for the fuel pool
- Direct conversion of coal to liquids
- Downstream products
  - Distillation for fuel
  - Pitch to coke
  - Crude tar acids

### **Current questions:**

- Problematic heteroatoms and phenolics
- Can tar quality and quantity be influenced?
- Can Quantity and Quality be predicted for different coal types?





### Web application: Multivariate Statistical Process Evaluation and Monitoring (MSPEM) – Online measurements





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# Coal has a future....!





Sasol R&D has the expertise and capability to support Sasol's excisting and new business ventures

Cheap source of energy

#### Widely distributed

Coal also provides a stable source of energy and there is an abundance of supply both in South-Africa and around the world.



#### PRIMARY SUPPLY TRANSFORMATION TRANSPORT END USE Oil Oil Liquid Rail Refineries Road Fuels Pipeline Natural Gas Mossgas Gas Pipeline Sasol Export "Washery" Road/Rail Coal Coal Eskom and Others Electricity Transmission Wires Hydro Nuclear Koeberg Mainly Wood Person/Road Biomass

Name of company	sales tons	Name of company	sales tons
Anglo Operations Ltd		Kuyasa	
Goedehoop	6 706 980	Delmas	1 592 828
Isibonelo	5 061 810	Optimum Coal	
Kriel	11 161 696	Optimum	9 485 774
New Denmark	3 728 928	Sasol Coal	
New Vaal	17 553 712	Sasol Mining	44 470 000
SA Coal Estates	12 036 849	Siyanda Coal	
BHP Billiton		Koornfontein (Gloria)	3 643 692
BHP Billiton	30 985 000	Total Coal SA	
Exxaro (Eyesiswe)		Dorstfontein	532 545
Arnot	5 212 731	Forzando North	962 743
North Block Complex	3 116 928	Forzando South	798 432
Matla	11 264 453	Tweewaters Fuel	
New Clydesdale	703 952	Springlake	401 205
Exxaro (Kumba Resources)		Umcebo Mining	
Grootegeluk	18 377 751	Umcebo - Xantium	6 658 258
Leeuwpan	2 590 744	Xstrata Coal	
Tshikondeni	268 416	Xstrata Coal	20 066 489
Kangra			
Savmore	2 736 532	TOTAL	220 118 448

# Coal has a future....!

Coal is nothing more than ancient wood which has been under pressure for millions of years. It is not sinister as you may have been led to believe.

Accelarting technology advancements through focussed R&D ensures continued relevance

Number of employees

Gold	160 102
PGMs	183 914
Iron ore	13 722
Chrome	10 893
Manganese	4 988
Diamonds	12 046
Coal	70 703
Aggregate & sand	6 689
Other mines	
& quarries	28 865
Total:	491 922

Source: DMR

Coal is South-African made. We do not have to import this product into this country.

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# Coal is (still) the solution....





