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## Foreword

This volume contains articles on 64 of the oil and gas fields discovered on the United Kingdom Continental Shelf. The articles have been written in a standardized layout with the aim of providing an easy to use databook for the Petroleum Geologist and Geophysicist. The idea for the compilation was conceived by the Petroleum Group of the Geological Society of London under the Chairmanship of R. F. Hardman.

The volume has been produced to commemorate the first 25 years of hydrocarbon exploration and production in the United Kingdom North Sea. The main aim of the volume is to provide a reference source of data relevant to the discovery and optimum development of the next generation of North Sea fields.

The standardized layout was largely taken from the recent compilation of Norwegian fields by the Norwegian Petroleum Society (*Geology of the Norwegian Oil and Gas Fields, 1984*, edited by A. M. SPENCER *et al.*). The format is designed to provide a succinct description, including relevant figures, of the petroleum geology of each field. The suggested layout was sent to 19 operating companies in November 1988 requesting articles on 67 fields which had, at that time, received Annex B approval. The 64 articles included here were received from July 1989 to March 1990. On receipt they were reviewed and edited by a special sub-committee (I. L. Abbotts, K. W. Glennie, R. F. Hardman, A. J. Martin, M. D. Thomas and B. A. Vining). In addition, two introductory articles, the first setting the fields in a historical perspective and the second placing them in a stratigraphic framework, are included, along with an appendix of abbreviations and various compilation tables.

It is hoped that the aims of the volume, the commemoration of past work and the assistance of future efforts, will be fulfilled. All who have helped the project to fruition are thanked, especially the authors, reviewers and the 19 operating companies:

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