

OPEC+ Extends Deep Oil Output Cuts

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<u>OPEC+</u> decided to extend **significant oil output cuts** through 2025, surpassing market expectations to **support prices** amid sluggish demand, **high interest rates**, and **increasing US production**.

- According to its official website, the <u>Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC)</u>, established at the **1960 Baghdad Conference**, is a permanent intergovernmental **organisation** with **12 member countries**.
 - Its headquarters is in the Austrian capital Vienna.
 - OPEC member states produce about 40% of the world's oil, and their exports comprise around 60% of the global petroleum trade.
 - Before OPEC was formed, the international oil market was dominated by the "seven sisters" group of multinational energy companies.
- In 2016, OPEC and 10 other oil-producing countries, **including Russia** formed <u>OPEC+</u> in response to plummeting oil prices due to increased U.S. shale oil output.

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