

**Author's notes to eBook edition:**

With the oil price as low as it is today, we Offshore engineers are compelled to do what the Norwegian government instructs us to do:

« **THINK NEW AND THINK GREEN** »

Interesting enough, the present electronic edition of the book, referred as «**eBook**» hereunder, seems to do just that. The reason:

1. With the new electronic gadgets bought by everyone, i.e. PC, MAC, iPad, iPhone and the like, one needs to publish his/her book to be read by these newly acquired equipment also, hence an **eBook**
2. To protect the environment, one has to move towards "*paperless*" activities. For books, this means, publishing it as an **eBook**

Many of those who read my book on paper, have commented that:

- A) It should have been preferably made into a smaller size, possibly A5. Existing A4 size reminds them of work-related documents! Additionally, it is not so easy to carry
- B) They never know *when* do they get time to read. In some instances, when they eventually had made time the book was not around then!
- C) Fonts could have been larger, as small fonts strain the eyes
- D) Why there were no pictures. I was reminded that "*a picture is worth one thousand words*"
- E) The book is written in English and some words need to be looked at in the dictionary

Obviously, the choice of A4 size with no pictures was the cheapest solution at the time. This could make a case for two of the comments. However, the other three remained unanswered. During the past months, I have tried to implement the rest of these comments also. Hence transformed the book into an **eBook** (with a dedicated ISBN number from National Library of Norway, *Nasjonalbiblioteket*).

I am glad the present **eBook** edition answers *all* of the received questions without exception.

The present **eBook** is deliberately published in three electronic formats, namely:

- 1) The format to be read by ADOBE Acrobat on PC and MAC (so called Acrobat's **.pdf** format)
- 2) The format to be read by APPLE iPad, or other *Tablets* (so called iBook's **.epub** format)
- 3) The format to be read by eBook reader made by AMAZON (so called Kindle's **.mob** format)

The plan is to launch this **eBook** edition in October 2015 to the public in Oslo. Hopefully it attracts an enthusiastic audience just like the paper copy.

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