

Press Release

European Network of Transmission System Operators for Gas (ENTSOG) adopts its Ten-Year Network Development Plan (TYNDP) 2011-2020

The European Network of Transmission System Operators for Gas has adopted the TYNDP 2011-2020. It is already the second edition of this European-wide statement on long-term gas infrastructure development. ENTSOG published its first TYNDP covering the years 2010-2019 in December 2009 and, during the subsequent consultation, received valuable feedback from the stakeholders, incl. the European Regulators' Group for Electricity and Gas TYNDP Recommendations (July 2010). ENTSOG has endeavoured to take due account of all the comments and encourages stakeholders to get again actively involved in the consultation on the second statement which will formally start by the 3rd TYNDP workshop to take place on 17 March 2011 in Brussels.

The TYNDP 2011-2020 provides a European panoramic vision both on demand vs. supply balance and gas infrastructures on a 10-year range. This has been achieved through an extensive sensitivity study contributing to assess European gas network resilience along security of supply and market integration axis.

Stephan Kamphues, ENTSOG President said: "I would like to see the European Ten Year Network Development Plan growing into an important means of communication on infrastructure evolution while also providing the necessary bridge between infrastructure-related legislative instruments.

We all know that Europe is rapidly changing the way in which it sources, transports and uses its primary energy. ENTSOG is convinced that natural gas and tailored infrastructure will play an increasingly important role to reach the energy policy goals to which the EU is committed. As a sustainable and affordable fuel, transported in powerful, efficient and flexible systems, natural gas can significantly and rapidly contribute to achieving Europe's vision of low-carbon future."

ENTSOG welcomes feedback on this TYNDP 2011-2020 and invites all stakeholders to the 3rd TYNDP workshop to be held on 17 March in Brussels. Formal consultation will follow.

The report, incl. annexes, is available at:
www.entsog.eu/publications/investment.html

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Notes to Editors

- ENTSOG was founded on 1 December 2009 and currently comprises 33 members from 22 countries.
- In line with Art. 9(3)(b) of the Regulation (EC) 715/2009, ENTSOG is to publish a non-binding Community-wide ten-year network development plan (TYNDP) every two years. Next edition of TYNDP is thus to be published early 2013.