

## Press Release

### European Network of Transmission System Operators for Gas (ENTSOG) adopts Winter Supply Outlook 2013/14 & Winter Review 2012/13

(Brussels, 28 November 2013, PR050-13) The European Network of Transmission System Operators has adopted its Winter Supply Outlook 2013/14 and the accompanying Review of Winter 2012/13.

In the Winter Supply Outlook, ENTSOG has undertaken an assessment of the European gas network for the upcoming winter (October 2013 to March 2014). The analysis focuses on both the possible evolution of UGS inventory along the season and the ability of the gas system to face High Daily Demand situations. In order to capture a wider range of situations that could result from market conditions a sensitivity study has been carried out. The conclusions are:

**The European gas network is sufficiently robust in most parts of Europe to enable the balance of demand and supply along the season and under peak situations provided gas is available. This ability will materialize only if market saves the lowest UGS (e.g. Hungary and France). In such conditions, particular situation remains for:**

- > **The low level of UGS at the beginning of the Winter may endanger the ability of South-East Europe to face the end of the winter with sufficient flexibility**
- > **The balance of Danish and Swedish demand and supply across the winter depends on the availability of interruptible capacity from Germany**

To complement the Supply Outlook, ENTSOG also carried out a review of the Winter 2012/13 in order to build better knowledge of seasonal dynamics of supply and demand.

Vittorio Musazzi, ENTSOG General Manager, said, *“This Winter Supply Outlook shows that gas infrastructures should enable the balance of supply and demand in most parts of Europe. Nevertheless the low level of storage at the beginning of winter requires specific attention from the market to take benefit from infrastructure capability later in the season. The accompanying review of the last winter highlights the predominant role of electricity production under gas peak demand situation”.*

ENTSOG welcomes feedback on the published report which is a key element for improving the report and catering better for the needs of the market in the future.

The report is available at: <http://www.entsog.eu/publications/outlooks-reviews#WINTER-OUTLOOK>

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#### **Editorial notes**

- ENTSOG was founded on 1 December 2009 in line with Regulation (EC) 715/2009. The current number of Members, Associated Partners and Observers can be found [under this link](#).
- In line with Art. 8(3)(f) of Regulation (EC) 715/2009, ENTSOG is obliged to publish annual Winter and Summer Supply Outlooks.