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### Decarbonizing through gas networks – TSO perspective

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## Delivering on EU Energy Goals



### EU Internal Energy Market Goals:



#### Market & Security of Supply goals

- Have been achieved or will be achieved within few years in main parts of EU
- Further improvements still to be made

#### Sustainability goals

- Requires a strong focus on decarbonization of gas and gas infrastructure in coming years
- Some key elements:
  - Which pathways for faster and more substantial decarbonization via gas?
  - Which regulatory framework to support and incentivise such development?
  - How to achieve an efficient and decarbonized energy system by sector integration?

2020 Gas Package to pave the way for achieving the sustainability goals for <u>gas</u> as well as for <u>electricity/gas interaction</u>

- and at the same time continue pursuing the goals on gas markets and security of supply

### Some quantification of the gas potentials



*Cost efficiency with green gases vs. full electrification in studies:* 

- <u>Pöyry 2018</u> Decarbonisation Study estimates <u>94 B€/y</u> savings for EU
- <u>Ecofys 2018</u> "Gas for Climate" study estimates <u>138 B€/y</u> savings for EU
- <u>DENA-Leitstudie</u> (pilot study) estimates up to <u>600B€</u> savings to 2050 for Germany

European-wide exchange and storage of renewable energies via the gas infrastructure



1 000 GW cross-border capacities >100% of EU demand

270 GW EU wind & solar capacity

Gas <u>cross-border transmission</u> <u>capacity</u> equals more than 3x current wind/solar capacity





1 100 TWh EU Gas storage capacity

372 TWh EU wind & solar generation 2016

Gas <u>storage</u> equals 3x annual energy production from current variable e-RES

### **ENTSOGs Themes for Gas Package 2020**



**Product & Service Innovation** 

Products & services of TSOs to

address market needs & support

efficient and sustainable use of assets

Building on both electricity and gas is more efficient, resilient, sustainable and less expensive EU energy system



Hybrid Energy Infrastructure

Enabling

decarbonisation

by gas and gas

infrastructure



All relevant technologies to contribute to transition based on a level playing field for support schemes & funding



**Green Gas Innovation** Improved framework for green gases in decarbonised gas system to speed up EU energy transition

Solutions to be driven by need for & contributions to decarbonisation - and should include sector coupling, energy efficiency and digitalisation



**New Gas Markets CO2** reductions and air quality gains with natural gas in some regions - and in longer term with decarbonised gas

# ENTSOG Messages for Gas Package 2020



#### **BUILD ON SYNERGIES**

- Political <u>acceptance/support</u> at EU and MS level for a <u>hybrid energy carrier system</u> utilizing electricity and gas assets efficiently and obtaining improved flexibility and security of supply
- Improve sector integration between electricity and gas, also including transport and heat
- Obtain better <u>regulatory coordination</u> between electricity and gas on both EU and MS level
- Ensure <u>level playing field</u> for clean energy technologies, including renewable/decarbonized gas support schemes

#### **INNOVATE WITH GAS**

- Promote and support innovation on <u>decarbonizing the gas sector</u>
- Establish consistent <u>terminology</u> for renewable/decarbonised/climate-neutral gases
- Establish EU-wide <u>certification system for gases</u> to ensure trustworthy tracking and efficient cross-border trading of renewable/decarbonized gases
- Incentivize TSO <u>product/service innovation</u> meeting the needs to decarbonize EU energy system
- Clarify <u>role of grid operators</u> in facilitating decarbonizing of EU energy system including scaling up R&D/pilot projects, investing & operating P2G biogas facilities etc.
- Establish <u>risk-reward scheme</u> for gas-related innovation ensuring sufficient investments/R&D

ENTSOG will contribute actively and constructively to the Gas Package 2020 process



### **Thank You for Your Attention**

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