

Press Release

ENTSOG publishes its high-level position paper on EC's Hydrogen and Decarbonised Gas Market Package

(Brussels, 24 February 2022, PR0268-22) **ENTSOG has developed its high-level position paper to outline ENTSOG's positions on key topics addressed in the European Commission's (EC) Hydrogen and Decarbonised Gas legislative proposals (hereafter referred to as 'the Package').**

On 15 December 2021, the EC adopted a set of legislative proposals (regulation and directive) for a new EU framework to decarbonise gas markets, promote hydrogen and reduce methane emissions. The EC have asked stakeholders for their feedback on the adopted act until 13 April 2022, after which time the feedback will be summarised by EC and presented to the European Parliament and Council with the aim of feeding into the legislative debate.

In that regard, ENTSOG and its Members have developed its positions on a number of the key topics included in the Package. These relate to policies on TSO involvement in hydrogen network development and operation, future market functioning, network tariffs for hydrogen and low-carbon gases, classification and certification of gases of different origins, institutional setup and governance for hydrogen networks, and technical aspects related to gas quality and hydrogen handling.

In addition, EC announced amendments to the Gas Security of Supply Regulation and ENTSOG welcomes these provisions, to enable a secure European gas supply – an approach which is embedded in ENTSOG's work.

ENTSOG General Director, Piotr Kuś, commented, *"This paper has been developed with the Members to provide clear input into the upcoming discussions on the adopted legislative proposal. ENTSOG remains committed to working together with all stakeholders, especially the*

European Commission, to enable secure, efficient and economical development of hydrogen infrastructure and achieving the EU's energy and climate goals.”

The paper, which will serve as the basis for ENTASOG responses to EC's forthcoming stakeholder consultations on the Package, is available on the ENTASOG website, [here](#).

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Editorial notes

- > **The European Network of Transmission System Operators for Gas (ENTASOG)** was founded in line with Regulation (EC) 715/2009 and has played a key role in facilitating integration of the European gas markets, ensuring technical interoperability and providing security of supply by gas infrastructure planning. Looking forward, ENTASOG is contributing to the net-zero decarbonisation by 2050, in particular, by the integration of renewable and low carbon gases via future-proof gas transmission pipelines, in line with the EU energy and climate goals. More information on ENTASOG can be found on our website – or contact info@entsog.eu.