



Press Release

Enagás, GRTgaz, REN Gasodutos and TIGF, Transmission System Operators in the South Region, adopt its first Gas Regional Investment Plan.

In line with Article 12(1) of Regulation (EC) 715/2009, Transmission System Operators (TSOs) are in charge to 'establish regional cooperation within the ENTSOG for Gas [...]. In particular, they shall publish a regional investment plan every two years, and may take investment decisions based on that regional investment plan'.

To comply with this obligation, Enagás, GRTgaz, REN Gasodutos, and TIGF, TSOs in the South Region, have developed their first Gas Regional Investment Plan (GRIP) understanding their vital role in achieving the European 'Energy objectives for 2020 and beyond'.

Francisco de la Flor, ENTSOG Board Member Coordinator of South Region GRIP said: 'TSOs in the South Region have developed extensive experience working together since 2006 in the framework of the South Gas Regional Initiative (SGRI), where significant goals have been achieved. The added value that we envision of South Region GRIP report is to highlight the value of developing the 3RD Interconnection Point Portugal-Spain and the Iberian-French Corridor to achieve the European Energy objectives for 2020 and beyond.'

The GRIP South report is created as a regional zoom of the ENTSOG TYNDP 2011-2020 progressing towards the implementation of the Energy Infrastructures Priorities. TSOs in the South Region would like to use this GRIP to give a clear picture of the interconnection projects so far identified, showing the capacity created by the developments as well as an indication of their value in building the European internal gas market. The report focuses on the criteria proposed by the European Commission such as Sustainability, Diversification of Gas Sources, Diversification of Gas Routes and Market Integration. The report also includes a resilience assessment of the network stressing the role played by regional cooperation to face supply disruptions.

Showing the benefit of the 3RD Interconnection Point Portugal-Spain and the Iberian-French Corridor for the creation of the North-South Corridor in Western Europe, Transmission System Operators of the South Region wish that this first South Region's GRIP provides beneficial information to all stakeholders and will support fruitful discussions when assessing the ability of investment projects to answer regional market needs.

The report is available on the websites of the TSOs involved as well as on the ENTSOG website:

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www.grtgaz.com

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