

Press Release

ENTSOG and ACER launch a joint platform to facilitate a smooth gas network code implementation

(Brussels, PR-0100-16) A newly created web-based platform <u>www.gasncfunc.eu</u> launched today by ACER and ENTSOG will allow stakeholders to notify implementation and operational issues related to gas network codes already in force. A joint process between ACER and ENTSOG aims to develop commonly recommended guidance on how to address such issues.

The new "Joint Functionality Process for Gas Network Codes" has been set up jointly by ENTSOG and ACER with the support of the European Commission. With this new process, all relevant parties can notify issues through a web-based platform and be involved in finding solutions.

The process covers all gas network codes already in force. Participation in the process will require online registration. Non-registered users will have access to the list of submitted issues with a short description. The functionality process and the web-based platform will initially be considered as a pilot project which will be evaluated by ACER and ENTSOG after sufficient experience has been obtained.

The gas network codes and guidelines already in place are the ones related to Capacity Allocation Mechanism (CAM), Congestion Management Procedure (CMP), Balancing (BAL) and Interoperability and Data Exchange Rules (INT).

Jan Ingwersen, ENTSOG General Manager, said, "By this new functionality process ACER and ENTSOG will continue the interactive stakeholders' involvement which has been a key element in developing the initial network codes. The process will also involve NRAs and TSOs in order to establish robust recommended solutions."

The joint "Gas Network Codes Functionality Platform" is available at www.gasncfunc.eu





Webinar on 17 February

A webinar to explain the process and illustrate all necessary details on how to use the platform will be held on 17 February at 16.00 CET (see Gas NC Functionality Platform, ENTSOG and ACER websites for more details). Afterwards, all related documents will be available in the Q&A section of the platform.

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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 at this link.
- In line with Articles 6, 7 and 8 of the Regulation (EC) 715/2009, ENTSOG has the task of formulating network codes in a number of areas and of adopting various communications: a non-binding community-wide Ten-Year Network Development Plan on biennial basis; Winter and Summer Supply Outlooks; common network operation tools; recommendations relating to the coordination of technical cooperation between community and third-country-TSOs; annual work programmes and annual reports.