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1 INTRODUCTION

For this TYNDP 2018, ENTSOG has carried out another extensive assessment of the European gas system to identify potential investment needs and how projects submitted to TYNDP can help mitigating these needs. To prepare this new edition, ENTSOG has also made significant adaptations compared to TYNDP 2017 to continuously improve the assessment and meet stakeholders’ expectations.

COST-BENEFIT ANALYSIS METHODOLOGY 2.0 (CBA METHODOLOGY 2.0)

TYNDP 2018 assesses the infrastructure in accordance with the new Cost-Benefit Analysis Methodology developed by ENTSOG and approved by the European Commission in January 2019. This new CBA methodology aims at delivering a comprehensive assessment bringing more clarity with a reduced number of indicators and an easier interpretation of the results. This is done with the introduction of a new approach to supply assumptions, the implementation of a market layer in ENTSOG modelling, and further monetisation of the indicators.

ENTSOG AND ENTSO-E JOINT SCENариOS

For the first time, TYNDP 2018 edition assesses the potential investment needs against the common scenarios developed jointly with ENTSO-E, the association of electricity TSOs, ensuring consistency between the Ten-Year Network Development Plans of both energy carriers. The different scenarios developed by the ENTSOs aim at representing a range of different possible futures to capture the needs for investment and the impact of projects along different storylines. All scenarios are on track to meet the EU decarbonisation targets by 2030, taking different pathways.

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*Used also for infrastructure gaps identification

Figure 1.1: Assessment metrics and Regulation criteria
The Best Estimates scenarios for 2020 and 2025 reflect national and European regulation currently in place, with a sensitivity analysis on the merit order of coal and gas in the power sector.

FOR 2030 AND 2040, THE LONGER-TERM SCENARIOS ARE:

- **Sustainable Transition (ST)** reflecting a quick and economically sustainable CO₂ reduction by replacing lignite and oil in the power sector and in part transport sector.
- **Distributed Generation (DG)** reflecting a more decentralised approach with a higher penetration of renewable gases, and renewable energy in general.
- **Global Climate Action (GCA)** representing a global effort towards full speed decarbonisation with increased energy efficiency and decreasing gas demand.
- **External Scenario (EUCO 30)**, the core policy scenario of the European Commission achieving Climate and Energy targets by 2030.

Further details about the scenarios and the methodology used by the ENTSOs (including the data) in their joint scenario building exercise can be found in the TYNDP scenario report.

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**INFRASTRUCTURE LEVELS**

The selection of the proper level of development of infrastructure is key for the identification of infrastructure gaps and a reliable system and project assessment.

- **Low infrastructure level, the reference**
  
The low infrastructure level is formed by existing infrastructure and projects with FID status representing the minimum level of infrastructure development considered for the identification of infrastructure gaps and against which to assess projects.

  TYNDP 2018 assesses what the current infrastructure, complemented with FID projects, already achieves and which are the remaining gaps that may trigger additional investment.

- **Advanced and PCI infrastructure levels**
  
  Once the infrastructure gaps are identified, the assessment of the European gas system is complemented by assessing the overall further impact of additional infrastructure levels:

  - the Advanced infrastructure level including existing infrastructure and projects with FID and Advanced status (projects to be commissioned before 2025, which have started the permitting process or their Front-End Engineering Design). The advanced criteria is further elaborated in the Infrastructure chapter (Annexe A).

  - the PCI infrastructure level gathering all the projects from the 3rd PCI list, although it includes projects of very different maturity.

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**Figure 1.4: Infrastructure Levels**

- **Minimum development of infrastructure common to all scenarios**
- **Advanced PCI projects with PCI label**
- **Non-FID projects with PCI label**
- **Existing infrastructure**
- **Low infrastructure level, the reference**
- **Advanced infrastructure level**
- **System complementary perspective**

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**Figure 1.3: Abbreviations and colour code of the different scenarios**
F.1 FROM DRAFT TO FINAL TYNDP 2018

F.1.1 WHAT HAS HAPPENED SINCE THE DRAFT TYNDP PUBLICATION?

ENTSOG released the draft publication of TYNDP 2018 on 31 December 2018 and launched a public consultation which was opened from 18 February to 29 March 2019 to continue the focus on stakeholder engagement and continual improvement of the report.

On 21 March, within the public consultation period, ENTSOG hosted a TYNDP Presentation Day open to all stakeholders in Brussels. This was designed to give a high-level introduction to the TYNDP and its role as part of EU regulation, a summary of the content provided and more insight into the results produced in the 2018 edition. This offered a wide range of stakeholders an open forum where they could ask questions and participate in discussions regarding any aspect of the TYNDP process. The TYNDP Presentation is available on ENTSOG website.

On 9 May 2018, the draft TYNDP 2018 was submitted to ACER, together with the results of the public consultation, for its Opinion. The Opinion was published on 27 June 2019. It indicates where ACER sees improvements from the previous edition of TYNDP, and provides recommendations for improvement, split between the short and the medium to long-term.

F.1.2 WHY A FEEDBACK SECTION?

This section aims at gathering the feedback received from both ACER and the stakeholders. It handles what from this feedback could already be addressed in the final TYNDP 2018. Handling of such feedback is covered in the feedback section itself, rather than in the related sections of the TYNDP, to facilitate the overview. For further feedback that could be taken into consideration for future editions of the TYNDP, this section indicates into which process it will feed.

The section has been structured to first respond to the ACER Opinion, covering both the short-term recommendations relating to TYNDP 2018 and also the medium to long-term recommendations for future editions of the TYNDP. This is followed by an analysis of the public consultation. Individual answers to the public consultation can be found in the new Annex F.

F.1.3 REVIEW SECTION COMPARING PAST ASSUMPTIONS AND PROJECTIONS OF GAS DEMAND AND SUPPLY AND THEIR ACTUALLY OBSERVED LEVELS

From one TYNDP edition to the next, ENTSOG critically review the TYNDP input data, in particular the demand scenarios and supply potentials. For each new TYNDP edition ENTSOG develop elements that are discussed as part of the stakeholder engagement process, and this comparison is a way to better formalise its usual critical review of assumptions.

Figure F.1: Actual EU Gas Supply 2009 – 2018, TYNDP Supply Potentials data

SUPPLY

Figure F.1 compares the supply potentials for TYNDP 2017 and TYNDP 2018 with the actual historical EU imports. For Russia, LNG Algeria and Libya those imports have materialised in the range of the potentials as expected in TYNDP 2018. Norway has shown actual imports above expected potentials.

National production expectations were part of the data collection realised mid-2017. The observed levels have varied from the estimated plans. The production cap imposed on the Groningen field in the Netherlands is the main driver for such difference. The Dutch Ministry of Economic Affairs originally announced in January 2014 a production cap of 42.5 bcm for 2015. This cap was revised down on a number of occasions between December 2014 and until mid-2019 and was finally set to 16 bcm for the gas year 2019. Actual production in gas year 2018 was reported as 20 bcm.

As part of the TYNDP 2018 process, the supply potentials were amended again to better correlated with the historical EU import. In particular, ENTSOG has developed a new approach to the LNG maximum supply potential, making use of information from the IEA World Energy Outlook. During the Stakeholder’s engagement process for TYNDP 2018, the new supply potentials were presented and discussed, resulting in further adjustment of some of the sources.

DEMAND

In TYNDP 2018 total gas demand was made up of Final Gas Demand (defined as Residential & Commercial, Industrial and Transport sectors) and Gas Demand for Power Generation. Sectoral split of gas demand was provided by data collection.

Industrial demand was assumed as stable in Sustainable Transition, with energy efficiency offset by increases in output. Distributed Generation see a reduction of industrial demand, with a linear progression of 1% p. a. applied.

Transport demand development was based on publicly available data from the NGVA (Natural Gas Vehicle Association), using historic NGV penetration in the EU28 from 2011 to 2016 and country level data on vehicles and filling stations2). Growth rates have varied between 3% and 10%, with an average of 5.5% over these years. Based on this data, Distributed Generation low growth was set at 2% p. a., Sustainable Transition high growth at 4.5% p. a.

For the first time gas for power generation for all scenarios was the result of the ENTSO-E modeling results. During the data collection phase, gas and electricity TSO worked together to discuss gas installed capacity on a country level basis. Yearly gas demand for power generation averages are calculated from the average of all approved models across all climate years.

In the TYNDP 2018, different scenarios were developed using different assumptions regarding the global context and the evolution of both the final gas demand and power generation sectors. The Best Estimate scenarios for 2020 and 2025 were based on TSO perspective, reflecting all national and European regulations in place, whilst not conflicting with any of the other scenarios. A sensitivity analysis regarding the merit order of coal and gas in the power sector was included for 2025 following stakeholder input regarding the uncertainty on prices, even in the short term.

Sustainable Transition covered quick and economically sustainable CO₂ reduction by replacing coal and lignite by gas in the power sector. Gas also displaces some oil usage in heavy transport and shipping. The electrification of heat and transport develops at a slower pace than other scenarios. In this scenario, reaching the EU goal (80–95 % CO₂ reduction in 2050) requires rapid development during the 2040s to be achieved through increased technological adoption or evolution.

Distributed Generation placed prosumers at the centre. It represented a more decentralised development with focus on end user technologies. Smart technology and dual fuel appliances such as hybrid heat pumps allow consumers to switch energy depending on market conditions. Electric vehicles see their highest penetration with PV and batteries widespread in buildings. These developments lead to high levels of demand side response available. Biomethane growth is strong as connections to distribution systems grow utilising local feedstocks.

Figure F.2 shows the progression of EU level actual demand, versus the result of the data collection done for TYNDP 2018 under the Best Estimate, Sustainable Transition and Distributed Generation scenarios. TYNDP 2017 scenarios were considering lower demand for 2017 than actually observed. In TYNDP 2018 scenarios starts with a lower demand than any of TYNDP 2017 scenarios (in 2020)

It is important to note that the actual demand levels shown reflect the actual weather conditions, whereas data collected for the scenarios represents yearly demand under average climatic conditions.

There was a drop of around 11 % for gas demand between 2013 and 2014, driven by many factors such as low coal and CO₂ prices pushing gas out of the power generation mix, a continuation of the slow economic situation and a significantly warmer than average year, leading to significant reduction in the need for heating.
EU gas demand in 2015 saw a 4 % recovery from the previous year to 4,595 TWh, which can again be linked to a number of factors with sectoral differences at a country level.

During 2016, EU gas demand increased again by 6.7 % to 4,903 TWh. The reduction in gas prices that had started towards the end of 2015 continued into first half of 2016, and although gas prices increased in the final quarter of the year, coal prices increased 68 % compared to same period in 2015 meaning gas competitiveness increased in the power generation market. Power generation analysis has shown a significant coal to gas switch in a number of countries during 2016, linked to the above-mentioned price situation, but this was also influenced by the ongoing Carbon Price Floor\(^3\) policy in the UK.

In 2017 further increase in gas demand was observed, reaching 5,077 TWh (+3.5 %). Coal to gas switch continues moderately. Gas prices were higher comparing previous year – strong demand of gas for power and storage injections have supported gas price in EU hubs during summer and increase in gas demand in winter.

In 2018 stabilisation in the context of gas demand was observed – 5,080 TWh was reached, meaning that value was comparable to 2017. At the beginning of the year, Europe experienced an extreme cold spell. Gas hub tested to limit on cold snap and prices reached multi-year highs. These circumstances led to declaration of early warning in few European countries and as a consequence of the situation, significant gas withdraw from storages was observed. Later the year, during summer, gas consumption was lower and allowed to fill the gas storages to be prepared in case of any events. Last quarter of 2018 showed decrease of gas demand comparing with the 2017.

In TYNDP 2018 all scenarios have been built as realistic and technically sound, based on forward looking policies, whilst also being ambitious in nature and aiming at reducing emissions. For the first time, the ENTSOs for gas and electricity have worked together, using their expertise to provide broadly technically feasible a joint set of scenarios. This uniquely common approach has led to resolutely forward-looking scenarios. This is key to test the need and performance of possible future infrastructure in challenging but realistic situations. Future scenario development processes will seek to enhance and improve gas and electricity interactions, looking for synergies, leading to better sharing of data and cooperation.

The full ACER Opinion on the draft TYNDP 2018 can be found on the ACER website, the following section will provide responses in the same order as the Conclusions of the Opinion.

**F.2 ACER OPINION AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

The ACER Opinion included the following recognition of improvements achieved in the process, methodology and outcome of the draft TYNDP 2018 in comparison to TYNDP 2017:

a) The development, in consultation with stakeholders, and the publication and application of a Practical Implementation Document (“PID”), setting technical and administrative criteria for projects applying for inclusion in the TYNDP 2018.

b) The common ENTSO-E and ENTSOG process for the development of the scenarios for the TYNDP 2018, and the preparation of a stand-alone “scenario report”.

c) The new structure of the TYNDP, which now consists of several volumes rather than a single one, and in particular the release of a stand-alone “system assessment report” volume, which assesses infrastructure needs and investment gaps.

d) The provision of a window of opportunity for NRAs to check the input data of the submitted TYNDP candidate projects. The Agency notes that NRAs’ checks of project data resulted in some cases in improvements in such data in terms of quality, accuracy and consistency, by using information in National Development Plans (“NDPs”). The Agency recommends ENTSOG to continue providing such data review opportunities to NRAs in the future.

e) The increased level of transparency on the consistency between the NDPS and the TYNDP.

f) The increased level of project cost transparency. Capital expenditure (CAPEX) data is available for 81% of the TYNDP projects, partly through data provided by promoters (61%) and partly estimated by ENTSOG (20%).

g) The use of an updated CBA methodology (CBA 2.0), which allows for increased transparency of the PS CBA results as part of the TYNDP process, reduces and simplifies some of the non-monetised indicators, and provides guidelines for project grouping.

h) The improvements of the model and the modelling assumptions used for TYNDP and CBA assessments, by including a new approach to supply assumptions and price methodology and the use of infrastructure tariffs and long-term capacity bookings in the assessments.

i) The improvement of ENTSOG’s modelling tool topology, which now makes a distinction between the H- and L-gas markets and networks in the countries where L-gas is currently available (i.e. Belgium, France, the Netherlands and Germany).

F.2.2 SHORT-TERM RECOMMENDATIONS

ACER Opinion provides for a number of short-term recommendations (Section 4, page 32) listed in the table below, in the order they appear in ACER opinion. The TYNDP topic to which these recommendations refer to are also indicated in the table below.

Below, handling of ACER recommendations is indicated per related TYNDP topic.

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Table F.1

F.2.2.1 INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS

Projects excluded from TYNDP

Starting with the TYNDP 2018 edition, the submitted projects have also to comply with specific administrative and technical criteria for their inclusion in the TYNDP, as defined in the “ENTSOG Practical implementation document (PID) for developing the 10-year network development plan 2018” 2). This document follows the European Commission’s recommendation on “Guidelines on equal treatment and transparency criteria to be applied by ENTSO-E and ENTSOG when developing their TYNDPs”, as set out in Annex III.2 (5) of Regulation (EU) No 347/2013. In line with ENTSO-G PID, project promoters were asked as part of the project collection to provide data and documents as a proof for the fulfilment of the administrative and technical criteria. The ENTSO-G PID was consulted in a dedicated workshop held on 24 November 2017 and reviewed by the European Commission.

ENTSOG initially identified seven projects liable to rejection from TYNDP 2018. Following the rules set in the Practical Implementation Document, concerned promoters were allowed to provide additional information in supporting their TYNDP application. In the end, only project UGS-N-141 (Construction of new gas storage facility on the territory of Bulgaria) was excluded from TYNDP 2018 missing fundamental technical information and given its very low level of maturity.

Projects commissioned since draft TYNDP

Data collection for projects is a long and very important process for ENTSO as it is a fundamental prerequisite to the modelling and simulations. The input data are the basis for the network assessment and data are collected early in the process of TYNDP.

For TYNDP 2018, the data collection process ended in March 2018 and, as a result, all the data used to run the simulations, including projects data, are time stamped on March 2018. Therefore, by the date of publication of the TYNDP, a number of projects submitted for the assessment were actually commissioned.

Below the updated list of all TYNDP 2017 projects commissioned before publication of the Final TYNDP 2018.

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Table F.2: List of projects submitted in TYNDP 2017 and commissioned before publication of Final TYNDP 2018

With regards to project TRA-N-1138, only South Caucasus Pipeline Expansion (SCPFX) was commissioned in 2019 while South Caucasus Pipeline Further Expansion (SCPFX) is still planned.
F.2.2.2 PROJECT ASSESSMENT

Project grouping for PS-CBA

In line with the European Commission Opinion, the ENTSOG 2nd CBA Methodology includes general principles on project grouping that ENTSOG has applied to projects having indicated their intention to apply for the 4th Project of Common Interest Selection Process during the TYNDP 2018 Project Collection.

Project groups were built by ENTSOG based on the 3rd PCI List and the technical information submitted by promoters for their projects. The resulting project groups were discussed with the European Commission and ACER during dedicated Cooperation Platform. Project groups were not “proposed by project promoters” as stated in the ACER Opinion.

As part of the TYNDP 2018 Project-Specific Analysis ENTSOG has published, already with the draft TYNDP 2018, the list of all modelled and non-modelled projects, the related groups and the principle applied to create those groups3).

More detailed information on the reasoning of each grouping have been included in each single Project Fiche, that includes also the main technical information of the projects forming the group and their project-specific assessment results4).

ACER and NRAs are invited to contact ENTSOG in case of request for clarification on specific groups reasoning.

CBA indicators

In line with the European Commission Opinion on ENTSOG 2nd CBA Methodology, the assessment carried out by ENTSOG for TYNDP is a Multi-Criteria Assessment that includes qualitative, quantitative and monetised benefits. Despite the supposed simplicity in comparing monetary benefits against costs, monetisation is not in fact a trivial exercise and not all benefits can be actually monetised. Monetary benefits are uncertain and hard to capture while costs represent more certain information. Additionally, monetization depends on assumptions and inputs, and market behaviour and monetisation could be in conflict with expected simplification.

For those reasons, the publication of the Economic Performance Indicators (EPI) might lead to wrong interpretation of results, encouraging the readers of the Project Fiche to give more emphasis only to monetised benefits while disregarding other benefits (e.g. supply dependence reduction).

F.2.2.3 ASSESSMENT METHODOLOGY

The following intends to complement the Draft TYNDP 2018 Annex D (chapter 2.3 “Supply Curve”) providing more information on the ranges for gas prices used for building the supply curves under the new modelling approach.

For each supply source, the following is done

1. A reference price is determined (as already explained in Annex D)

2. A reference supply curve is determined by drawing a straight line between two points with (X,Y) coordinates, where the X_axis is the supply used in GWh/day, and the Y_axis is the price of the additional supply in MWh/day.

   a. Low point (O supply used, Reference price – 2.5 EUR/MWh)

   b. High point (SupplyMax2020, Reference price + 2.5 EUR/MWh)

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Where SupplyMax2020 is the maximum potential for the given supply defined for the year 2020. This means that, if the maximum potential of 2020 is used, the average price of the supply will be the reference price.

On top of this price curve, to reach the EU gas market, the following is added:

- For pipe supply, the entry tariff cost into EU
- For LNG, the shipment cost

3. The supply curve set for 2020 is extrapolated linearly. This means that, if in other years, the model uses more supply than the 2020 potential, it will pay a higher price for each additional drop of gas.

The following tables gives the values used for 2020 and the extrapolated curves.

### 2020 price curves

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### Extrapolated price curves

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Table F.3 + F.4: Values used for 2020 and the extrapolated curves
Therefore, when interpreting the following graph presented in Annex D, one must understand that the first drop of “RU for North-West Pipe” gas is actually 2.5 EUR/MWh cheaper than the reference price presented here, and hence will be used before the last drop of “NO Pipe” gas.

This approach also ensures to have more competition among sources and avoid “all or nothing” situations where cheapest sources are used fully first.

Two last corrections are made to the price curves:

1. In order to match some benchmark like average price of imported gas in Europe, all curves are translated upward or downward, depending on the year and the demand scenario. This does not change the merit order of the sources.
2. In minimization (respectively maximization) price configuration, the minimized (respectively maximized) supply has its price curve shifted upward (respectively downward) by 5 EUR/MWh.

Figure F.4: Example of the merit order of the supply sources in the Reference case (for the purpose of this example the Japan reference price here showed is purely indicative). The range of each supply is defined by the consideration entry cost to deliver the supply to EU as well as the shipping cost for LNG.

F.2.2.4 NRAs COMMENTS ON THE TYNDP 18 PROJECTS

As part of its Opinion, ACER offered national regulatory authorities (NRAs) to provide comments on TYNDP projects. These comments are available as an annex to ACER Opinion and provides a additional information on projects, in addition to the promoter information as provided as part of TYNDP Annex A.

The comments from the NRAs in particular reflect recent project information and, in many cases, own NRAs views on projects benefits. In some cases, NRAs identified incorrect data.

Regarding more recent project information, it is a standard feature of projects that they keep on evolving as time is passing. In Tyndp, the information on projects has to be frozen at one point in time, to ensure that the development process is performed in a timely manner in line with the TYNDP publication timeline, the Project of Common Interest Process and the need for ACER to release its Opinion.

As explained in TYNDP 2018 Infrastructure Chapter, already during TYNDP 2018 Project Collection process, ACER and NRAs were shared with the project data collected for their review and feedback. Promoters were informed on the informal preliminary comments provided by ACER and NRAs and could amend the information provided during the project data collection if deemed necessary. Therefore, Draft TYNDP 2018
Annex A already includes the NRAs’ feedback whenever considered by promoters.

Some project data have been updated after March 2018, and in some occasions reflected in national NDPs. Such updates are not included in the Final TYNDP 2018, to ensure consistency between the project information used to perform the TYNDP assessment, and the project information published, both frozen at March 2018. In this context, NRAs’ input on recent project information represents a valuable additional information for stakeholders not to be lost even if not included in the Final version of TYNDP 2018.

In many occasions, comments from NRAs refer to the actual merit of the project. In some cases, only one of the NRAs whose country is concerned by a specific project have provided some comment. In this regard, it must be noted that TYNDP is based on transparent and consulted rules (including the approved 2nd CBA Methodology) for project inclusion and assessment, ensuring a non-discriminatory process and prevention of conflict of interest. ACER and NRAs views on projects benefits would be better addressed in the context of providing the Opinion to the draft Project of Common Interest list.

In two cases NRAs has asked for further clarification on the ENTSOG assessment (as below).

- with regards to the comment from CRE, as explained in TYNDP 2018 Annex D (Methodology), a value of 600 EUR/MWh has been used in TYNDP 2018 as Cost of Disruption of Gas (CoDG) to quantify the monetary impact of any avoided demand curtailment. When applying the 600 EUR/MWh value to the avoided curtailed demand, ENTSOG has considered a 5% probability (1-in-20 years) in order to take into account, the lower probability of occurrence of peak and stressful situations. For the specific project TRA-N-429 ENTSOG has used two different CODG values: 600 EUR/MWh (with 5% probability) for peak situations and the ACER Study value of 147 EUR/MWh for the yearly assessment. This is already explained in the PS-CBA Project Fiche;

- The interpretation of the results for the Supply Source Dependence indicator in the Low infrastructure level has also been further detailed for clarification (section 2.3.2, page 38 of the System Assessment Report6).

F.2.3 MEDIUM-TERM AND LONG-TERM RECOMMENDATIONS

The following table illustrates the medium and long-term ACER Opinion recommendations and the TYNDP (or ENTSOG) processes where are or can be tackled.

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<td>Implementing recommendation regarding scenarios</td>
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<td>Better incorporate market perspective on infrastructure gaps.</td>
<td>TYNDP / System assessment</td>
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<td>Improve the CBA Methodology</td>
<td>CBA methodology (roadmap)</td>
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<td>Improve model and modelling</td>
<td>CBA application</td>
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<td>Planning of future TYNDP processes</td>
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<td>Extend the perimeter of project assessment</td>
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<td>Encourage promoters to provide more information on costs</td>
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<tr>
<td>Provide more information on renewable gas technologies</td>
<td>TYNDP / Scenario report and System assessment</td>
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<td>Develop sustainability indicator for reduction of CO₂ and methane emissions</td>
<td>TYNDP / Project assessment</td>
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<tr>
<td>Assessment of necessary adaptations of gas infrastructure to inject RES and decarbonised gases, and related costs</td>
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<tr>
<td>Consider the level of utilisation, and contractual and physical congestion for assessing the need for additional infrastructure</td>
<td>TYNDP / System assessment</td>
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<tr>
<td>Quantify targets for cross border needs, similar to electricity TYNDP</td>
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<tr>
<td>Develop metrics to identify unrealistic projects.</td>
<td>TYNDP / Practical Implementation Document</td>
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<td>Making obligatory for promoters to provide information related to incremental capacity process</td>
<td>TYNDP / System assessment</td>
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<tr>
<td>Continue joint ENTSOs scenario development process</td>
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<tr>
<td>Reconsider eligibility guidelines for TYNDP projects</td>
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Table F.5

The below section addressed the medium-term and long-term recommendations of ACER Opinion.

F.2.3.1 TYNDP 2018 DEVELOPMENT PROCESS

TYNDP Scenarios

ENTSOG, together with ENTSOE, has already implemented a number of recommendations of the opinion 10/2018 in the TYNDP 2020 scenario building process and will consider further recommendations in the Scenario report itself.

Better planning of the future TYNDP processes

ACER recommends to better plan the future TYNDP processes, in order to make sure that the official submission of the draft TYNDP for the Agency’s opinion contains also the information regarding the consultation process, as required by Articles 9(2) and 10 of Regulation 715/2009.

ENTSOG is constantly working on improving the TYNDP process and its synchronisation with the PCI selection process. At the same time, it is important to underline that the implementation in each new TYNDP of new elements from stakeholders (including ACER’s) have an inevitable impact on the timeline extension and its uncertainty.
For TYNDP 2020, and in line with ACER recommendation, ENTSOG intends to plan for the process in line with Articles 9(2) and 10 of Regulation 715/2009, and to publish the draft TYNDP mid-2020.

**Eligibility guidelines for TYNDP projects (Project Implementation Document)**

ACER recommends that ENTSOG propose adequate eligibility guidelines to filter out unrealistic projects from future TYNDPs.

For TYNDP 2018, ENTSOG has developed the Practical Implementation Document (PID) defining the criteria for a project to be eligible for TYNDP. The PID is revised with every new edition of the TYNDP allowing for the inclusion of new criteria based on the feedback received from previous editions.

ENTSOG welcomes the proposal of ACER to develop a metrics in order to provide early warnings for “clearly unrealistic projects” or “conceptually doubtful projects”. Such metrics potentially based on the information collected during the TYNDP project collection could be implemented in the future TYNDP editions.

**F.2.3.2 TYNDP SYSTEM ASSESSMENT**

**Information on renewable and decarbonised gas technologies**

For the first time, TYNDP 2020 will collect “energy transition related” projects (ETR) related to the decarbonisation of the energy and the gas systems. The description of the projects and their assessment against the EU climate targets will provide more insight into the potential of gas for supporting the energy transition towards COP 21 and EU 2050 targets.

ENTSOG welcomes ACER consideration that the gas infrastructure categories defined in Annex II (2) of Regulation (EU) No 347/2013 should be revisited to include renewable gas projects. To the extent that renewable gas projects are included, the way in which sustainability is assessed should also be reconsidered in the CBA methodology or its application.

**Identification of the infrastructure gaps**

ACER recommends completing the task of identifying the infrastructure gaps, especially with respect to cross-border capacities.

It is part of the TYNDP role to identify infrastructure gaps. ENTSOG understands that ACER recommends that infrastructure gaps are quantified in terms of the necessary cross-border capacities. ENTSOG stands ready to clarify the recommendation with ACER. Yet, whenever TYNDP identifies an infrastructure gap, the solution to mitigate the situation is not unique and may consist in a cross-border interconnection, but also alternatively in an LNG terminal or a storage. In this perspective, it would be too restrictive to consider the issue only from a cross-border capacity perspective and would not ensure a level-playing field assessment of all types of projects.

However, it must be noted that, for most of the indicators, the application of a threshold common to all type of projects is possible and is actually already done by the Regional Groups in the context of the Project of Common Interest Selection process. When there is no one-size-fits-all threshold, those thresholds can be adapted depending on the needs of the specific regions.

Finally, it is important to remember that, unlike for the electricity sector, the gas sector has no infrastructure development target set by the Regulation.

**Information on incremental capacity projects**

In TYNDP 2018, projects resulting from the demand assessment in the context of the Incremental Capacity process are listed in the “Infrastructure Report” chapter 5.8 Incremental Capacity Process. For TYNDP 2020, promoters are asked to indicate when their projects are triggered by an Incremental Capacity process too.

For the future TYNDP editions ENTSOG welcomes and invites promoters providing more information on projects triggered by CAM NC. However, with regards to the recommendation by ACER of making obligatory the provision of information related to the incremental capacity process, ENTSOG cannot force any promoter in submitting their project.
Develop sustainability indicator for reduction of CO₂ and methane emissions

For the first time, TYNDP 2018 project assessments were including a section of CO₂ emissions savings. Following the feedback received from stakeholders, ENTSOG will continue to develop sustainability indicators to consider the impact and benefits of gas infrastructure projects.

Assessment of adaptations of gas infrastructure to inject RES and decarbonised gases

Following the inclusion of energy transition related projects (ETR) in TYNDP 2020, ENTSOG may have the possibility to assess projects related to the adaptation of the gas infrastructure to the injection of RES or decarbonised gases. However, the potential ETR projects submitted to TYNDP 2020 may not be limited to such projects and will give the opportunity to ENTSOG to further adapt the TYNDP assessment to new types of projects.

ENTSOG is constantly working in improving indicators in view of each TYNDP application of its CBA Methodology. Already more monetisation has been ensured in TYNDP 2018.

Consideration of the results of the Agency’s study on the Cost of Disruption of Gas Supply (CoDG)

The 2nd CBA methodology has been approved by the European Commission in January 2019 and has been applied to TYNDP 2018. The assessment of the gas system and the projects has been simplified and the indicators further monetised. The cost of demand curtailment applied by ENTSOG was not based on the Cost of Disruption of Gas (CoDG) study by ACER due to the late publication of the study, but the monetised results are nevertheless comparable.

ENTSOG reiterates that a uniform CoDG value is consistent with the cooperative approach to be applied for very severe disruptions as per the new Security of Supply Regulation (EU) 2017/1938. Countries will act in a cooperative way significantly reducing the impact of very severe disruptions in the most vulnerable countries, as per the new Security of Supply Regulation. Considering different values as indicated by the ACER Study would implicitly hamper such cooperative approach. Additionally, using a uniform value of CoDG across the countries ensures comparability and harmonised project assessment. It must also be noted that, in the 4th PCI Selection Process, the Cooperation Platform decided not to consider such study as input to the process for lack of clarity on some assumptions and on the way those results could have been actually used for the purpose of the PCI process (for example whether a probability of occurrence is already considered or not). For TYNDP 2020, ENTSOG is further investigating the consideration of the CoDG defined in ACER’s study.

Improvement of the indicators, for example by applying indicators and metrics used in the Agency’s Market Monitoring Report

Regarding the improvement of market integration indicators and the proposal of ACER to base the needs assessment on ACER’s Market Monitoring Report, it is important to consider that identifying needs for the future based on historical information and not resulting from an infrastructure assessment may result in inappropriate assessment. ENTSOG assessment focuses exclusively on those needs that require new infrastructure to be mitigated.

Incorporation of the best available information on long-term contracts into the modelling assumptions & Analysing the level of utilisation and contractual and physical congestion of existing entry and cross-border infrastructure

From TYNDP 2018, ENTSOG already considers long-term capacity booking contracts. These contracts, if signed before the time-horizon considered for the assessment, basically represent a given for the user, and therefore sunk cost that are not expected to impact on its short-term use of the capacity. Their inclusion, and until their expiration, allows to take into account in the TYNDP and infrastructure gaps identification the expected minimum level of utilisation of existing infrastructures.

In the long-term, however, with these contracts expiring, gas could flow through any possible route.

Consideration of the long-term capacity booking contracts and minimum supply potentials will be continued for TYNDP 2020, to reproduce the most realistic use of the infrastructure.

With regards to long-term supply contracts, those are already included, at European level, in the “minimum” defined for each supply source potential. The different supply sources minimums are based on public available literature, exchanges between ENTSOG and the main suppliers as well as on the stakeholders feedback received during dedicated workshops. As already stated also in the ACER opinion, long-term supply contracts at country level represent a commercially sensitive information and are subject to multiple uncertainties. Additionally, in a (at least) 20-years time horizon assessment, observed historical supply-long term contracts require several assumptions in terms of renewal that could bring to underestimate of the identified infrastructure gaps in the future.

Consistent and interlinked electricity and gas networks and market model

After the publication of the focus study on the interlinkages between gas and electricity infrastructure and projects, ENTSOG, with ENTSOE, will further improve their joint scenario building exercise and develop a screening methodology to identify future projects requiring a dual system assessment both on the gas and electricity side; and subsequently, the ENTSOs will develop the dual assessment methodology for those projects.

TYNDP modelling

ENTSOG continuously seeks at an efficient and result-oriented improvement of its modelling tool, in a transparent manner, considering stakeholders’ feedback. To do so, ENTSOG builds on its NeMo Kernel Group, which is composed of TSO members and focuses on modelling. ENTSOG tool is designed for efficient EU-wide simulations: it builds on detailed national expertise and topology while ensuring a level of detail that provides an efficient EU-level perspective. The description of the model and the methodology is described in the Annex D of the TYNDP for full transparency.

Infrastructure tariffs

Stakeholder consultation on market related assumptions and supply potentials is part of the standard stakeholder engagement process of ENTSOG. This will be pursued for next TYNDP editions.

Continuing improving the treatment of LNG

For the first time in TYNDP 2018, LNG was considered as a multi-source supply. However, following stakeholders’ recommendation, when assessing market integration and competition needs, LNG is simulated as a one global market. Different presenters in the recent workshop on TYNDP 2020 Supply Potential acknowledged the global aspect of LNG.

Requiring CBA projects assessments for all the TYNDP projects instead of PCI applicants only

In line with Regulation (EU) 347/2013 ENTSOG runs project-specific cost-benefit analysis (PS-CBA) only for projects having declared their intention to apply during TYNDP project collection. This does not replace the actual PCI application organised by the European Commission and under its responsibility. While Regulation (EU) 347/2013 states that only projects “having reached a sufficient degree of maturity” should receive a PS-CBA, ENTSOG, assessing any project indicating its intention to apply for the following PCI selection process independently on their “maturity” level already assesses a broader scope of projects. Such approach is also welcomed by the European Commission in its opinion on the 2nd CBA Methodology.

Additionally, it must also be noted that the ACER request is actually in conflict with the recommendation for a better planning of future TYNDP processes and their synchronisation with the PCI selection process since it would imply more or less doubling the time needed for PS-CBA.

Providing project cost information irrespective of their intention to apply for PCI status

ENTSOG support and encourages maximum level of transparency from promoters. At the same time ENTSOG must respect the request for confidentiality for projects not applying for PCI selection process. Additionally, there is no problem of same footing comparability since those projects do not receive a project-specific cost-benefit analysis.
F.3 PUBLIC CONSULTATION AND STAKEHOLDER FEEDBACK

ENTSOG opened the public consultation on draft TYNDP 2018 for 6 weeks from 18 February to 29 March 2019. Their responses are available in Annex F of the TYNDP.

F.3.1 ANALYSIS OF THE PUBLIC CONSULTATION FEEDBACK

ENTSOG’s efforts to continuously simplify and clarify were welcomed by the stakeholders in the 2018 edition. The editing choice to publish dedicated reports to the main sections of the TYNDP instead of a single report and to focus on the most relevant information while providing the exhaustive information in the annexes, made the TYNDP 2018 easy to read and navigate through.

Is TYNDP 2018 easy to read and navigate through? Are the maps, graphs and tables easy to understand?

Figure F.5
Most interesting topics

The overview of the topics identified as most interesting by stakeholders indicates that TYNDP is seen by a large share of stakeholders as a valuable source of European-wide information. It indeed highlights that the expectations of the stakeholders are mainly focused on the assessment of the infrastructure and specific projects, as well as on the TYNDP modelling methodology. The decrease in interest in the joint ENTSOG and ENTSOE scenarios compared to TYNDP 2017 can be explained by the time delay between the publication of the TYNDP Scenario report in March 2018 and the TYNDP Assessment report in December 2018 and the fact that the joint TYNDP Scenario report was submitted to a dedicated public consultation.

The collection and analysis done by ENTSOG, is a highly valuable source of information, as well as a necessary input to the simulations and the assessment of the infrastructure.

New elements introduced for TYNDP 2018:

ENTSOG introduced a number of new elements in TYNDP 2018, some of those as former voluntary additions that were added to the recent CBA methodology 2.0 applied for the first time to the 2018 edition. Stakeholders were consulted on their views on these new elements. All the elements are considered as valuable by the stakeholders. Some, such as the supply and market assumptions – which were discussed with stakeholders in a dedicated workshop1), and the new market features for the infrastructure modelling are particularly appreciated.

The main improvements ENTSOG has brought to the 2018 editions are all considered increasing the usability of the TYNDP. All stakeholders see value in the publication of all simulation results and the description of the modelling as annexes, with no need for further improvement, and they support the focus on the relevant scenarios in the reports when assessing the infrastructure needs or the impact of new projects. They also support the focus on a limited, but relevant, number of cases.

**Increased transparency in TYNDP 2018:**

Stakeholders also welcomed the publication of the grouping of projects for Project-Specific Cost Benefit Analysis (PS-CBA) ahead of the draft TYNDP.

### Stakeholders’ feedback consideration since TYNDP 2017:

One of the main feedbacks from TYNDP 2017 was the lack of clarity of the assumptions and inputs for modelling that was addressed in the feedback section of the 2017 edition. However, for TYNDP 2018, the new structure and improvements in the description of the methodologies as well as stakeholder engagement in the definition of these assumptions has proven to be efficient since the comment has not been raised in the public consultation.

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2 ASSESSMENT OF REASONABLE INFRASTRUCTURE NEED AND INVESTMENT GAPS
(LOW INFRASTRUCTURE LEVEL)

The Low infrastructure level is the basis for the identification of priority areas facing an investment gap. It consists of the existing infrastructure and the FID projects. Forty two FID projects have been submitted for this TYNDP edition.

The following Tables 2.1 and 2.2 list the projects. The FID projects represent an overall investment around 35 Billion €. It incorporates large scale projects for which costs have been publicly reported (including Nord Stream 2 and TANAP) which represent a large share of the overall costs of FID projects.

FID projects with direct impact in the low infrastructure level

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Table 2.2: FID projects without direct capacity impact in the low infrastructure level
2.1 SUSTAINABILITY

Supporting Renewable Energy Sources

The European gas infrastructure can achieve the supply and demand adequacy with different supply mixes and different shares of renewable gases over the whole-time horizon for all demand scenarios. The infrastructure, and in particular gas storages, offer the necessary flexibility to make use of the full potential of renewable generation and cope with challenging situations such as peak days under climatic stress.

Regarding the sustainability pillar of the EU Energy Policy, gas infrastructures already offer a flexible system able to support the development of renewable energies. These infrastructures are able to transport a low carbon fuel to support the development of intermittent renewable power production and enable a large-scale injection of non-fossil gas (biogas/biomethane or gas from power-to-gas processes). Gas infrastructures provide the advantage of storing renewable energy as well as transporting energy at relatively low costs. New investment may allow further integration of renewable sources and achieve further level of decarbonisation.

Power to Gas

Power to Gas projects are not assessed as part of TYNDP 2018 as they are not eligible for the project collection and their potential are covered only partially. However, as part of their cooperation, ENTSOG and ENTSO-E consider the electricity system and the gas system could be considered as complementary to each other:

- The electric system allows the production of large quantities of renewable energy, but it has limitations to provide long term electric storage.
- On the other hand, the gas system’s ability to store large quantities of renewable energy is very high.

- The electric system is a fast, real-time system and as such, it is featured with limited long-term flexibility, whereas the gas system is flexible, also long-term and can provide its flexibility to the electric system. The continuously growing penetration of the renewables increases the need for electricity ancillary services to cope with the large amount of volatile energy and thus has a significant impact on the technical and financial aspects of the electricity system operation. Therefore, from a system perspective, a coupling of electricity and gas will result in a more stable overall system as a whole. In addition, the societal costs of the combined sectors could eventually decrease because:
  - the complementary characteristics of the two sectors support each other so that RES can be integrated more efficiently,
  - existing infrastructure which will require some adaptations could potentially be used (e.g. gas grid and gas storage),
  - continued utilisation of existing end user technology, when conversion is not cost efficient or fast enough,
  - gas storage (in addition to a number of hydro power storage systems which could also be expended) is the only known seasonal storage with sufficient capacity, and
  - synthetic gases are valuable energy carriers for heating, transportation and the chemical industry, together with biomethane and decarbonised gas.

The European Commission and the European Council support the approach of implementing P2G facilities from the system perspective.

Additional elements related to sustainability criteria are available in the TYNDP 2018 ENTSOG and ENTSO-E Joint Scenario Report (CO₂ emissions savings related to the different scenarios, electricity generation, power-to-gas and biomethane).

1) See SoS chapter for more details.
2.2 SECURITY OF SUPPLY NEEDS

Security of supply needs are assessed by measuring the ability of the European gas system to ensure the continuity of gas supply to all countries under various stress conditions.

This section assesses the resilience of the European gas system to cope with various stressful events:

- Climatic stress
- Supply route disruptions
- Infrastructure disruptions

The resilience of the gas system is measured by calculating the Remaining Flexibility (RF indicator) of the system when coping with the various stressful events and, in the case of the level of demand curtailment (CR indicator: curtailment rate) to which the EU is exposed. Those indicators are calculated at country/balancing zone level over the whole time horizon of the TYNDP assessment.

Remaining flexibility measures the resilience of a Zone as the additional share of demand each country can cover before no longer being able to fulfill its demand without creating new demand curtailment in other Zones.

2.2.1 CLIMATIC STRESS

Climatic stress conditions result in high gas demand situations and are therefore challenging for the gas system. The ability of the system may be challenged to cope with:

- a peak day demand also considered as the design case for most of the gas infrastructures,
- a 2-week cold spell when the average demand is relatively lower compared to a peak day, but having a longer duration and being still higher than the demand in average climatic conditions.

Peak day (see figure 2.1)

The assessment shows that the EU gas system is resilient to peak demand situations for all scenarios.

In the longer term though, from 2025 onwards, in the low infrastructure level, Croatia is exposed to an increasing demand curtailment in all scenarios due to infrastructure limiting the flow from Slovenia and Hungary. This exposure is the result of an increasing demand in Croatia driven by the power generation3). Infrastructure reinforcement may be required to cope with high demand situations in Croatia.

FYROM is exposed to a demand curtailment in 2020 and 2025 due to infrastructure limiting the flow from Bulgaria. The situation is mitigated from 2030 onwards (except for Sustainable Transition in 2030).

In Sustainable Transition scenario, Western Europe shows a rather low level of Remaining Flexibility in 2030 and in 2040 due to a highest gas demand displacing higher carbon fuels for power generation and transportation, and to a limited penetration of renewable gas sources not compensating the decrease in the national production. For the same reason, in Sustainable Transition scenario in 2040, Poland show a rather low level of Remaining Flexibility.

In most of the countries, penetration of renewable gas sources are compensating the decline of conventional production in Distributed Generation scenario, EU CO 30 and Global Climate Action scenario, supporting the European security of gas supply. However, renewable gases do not compensate for the decrease of conventional national production at EU level in Sustainable Transition scenario, resulting in an increasing need for seasonal flexibility ensured by gas storages. Figure 2.1 shows the simulation results for a Peak Day.

Demand curtailment is the value of the unsatisfied demand. The curtailment rate is the ratio between demand curtailment and demand.

Demand elasticity

When assessing the impact of a climatic stress on the gas infrastructure, the demand is considered static and no elasticity in the demand is considered. This assumption is necessary to perform a consistent assessment across the different years and the different scenarios of the TYNDP.

Indeed, as observed in past events, a high demand event, especially if combined with a tight supply or infrastructure situation may trigger a demand reaction to the increase of prices, hence resulting in a reduction of the demand. However, such demand elasticity is subject to various assumptions that differs from one country to the other, and that ENTSOG cannot access. Therefore, for the sake of consistency and transparency, the level of exposure to demand curtailment is always presented in percentage of the demand assuming no demand reaction to the different stressful events.

3) see TYNDP 2018 Scenario Report Annex 1
Figure 2.1: Climatic Stress for Peak Day
Figure 2.2: Climatic Stress under a 2-Week Cold Spell situation
The European gas system is resilient to a 2-week cold spell in all the scenarios along the TYNDP time horizon. As observed in the peak day, from 2025 onwards, in the low infrastructure level, Croatia is exposed to an increasing demand curtailment in all scenarios. This exposure is the result of an increasing demand in Croatia driven by the power generation.

**Conclusion about Climatic Stress (Peak Day and 2-Week Cold Spell)**
The European gas system is well connected to the various supply sources (imports and indigenous) and the infrastructure – including gas storages and LNG terminals – offers the necessary flexibility to cope with the highest demand situations in all scenarios, including Sustainable Transition characterised by the highest gas demand. Regarding Distributed Generation scenario, considering an intermediate demand with the highest penetration of renewable energy, the system shows the highest Remaining Flexibility on EU average in 2040 with almost all countries above a threshold of 15% in case of a peak day.

However, considering the LOW infrastructure level, some infrastructure reinforcements may be required to reduce the exposure of Croatia to a possible demand curtailment during peak day situations as of 2025.

### SUPPLY ROUTE DISRUPTIONS

Most of the gas consumed in Europe is imported through pipelines and LNG cargos. The disruption of a supply route can have a significant impact on the infrastructure and its ability to satisfy the demand. This section investigates the additional impact of a supply route disruption during a high demand situation (climatic stress).

The assessment focuses on the disruptions listed in the Union-wide simulation of gas supply and infrastructure scenarios carried out for the risk assessment defined in Article 7, Regulation (EU) 2017/1938 (hereafter SOS Regulation) concerning security of gas supply. More specifically, those disruption cases expected to show a risk of demand curtailment in the Union-wide simulation are assessed in this section:

1. Ukraine route
2. Belarus route
3. Imports to Baltic states and Finland
4. Algerian import pipelines

Note: the assessment is limited to the impact of a supply disruption occurring during a peak day and a 2-week cold spell. The SOS Regulation consider also disruption with longer duration as assessed in the Union-wide SoS simulation report.

For disruptions simulations, demand curtailment follows the logic of **unified** allocation. In **unified** allocation, all member States within the risk group defined in Annex I of Regulation 2017/1938 cooperate by avoiding a demand curtailment to the extent possible by transporting other supply and furthermore by sharing the curtailment equally in such a way that they try to reach the same curtailment rate.

From the assessment, the gas infrastructure results to be resilient to disruptions. However, all analysed routes lead with some specific demand curtailments in some of the scenarios on the long term. Additionally, the Ukraine transit disruption leads to demand curtailment from 2020 in all scenarios.

Results are presented for **Design Case** and 2-Week Cold Spell and aim to **identify the additional effects of a route disruption to the situation observed under climatic stress conditions.**

### Ukraine Transit Disruption
This assessment considers the disruption of all gas imports via Ukraine during climatic stress situations.

This case considers the disruption of the transit through Ukraine and the risk group is formed by Austria, Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Republic, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Italy, Luxembourg, Poland, Romania, Slovenia and Slovakia.

**Risk Group**

![Figure 2.3: Risk group for Ukraine transit disruption](image-url)
Peak Day (see figure 2.4)

During a peak day, the Ukrainian transit disruption simulation results show a potential demand curtailment in Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Hungary, Romania, FYROM and Serbia. Infrastructure gaps can be observed between these countries and the surrounding EU countries.

The situation is getting worse in 2025 with a risk of demand curtailment which is increasing lightly. The situation improves for Bulgaria but worsens for Romania, Serbia, FYROM, Croatia and Hungary.

The commissioning of Bulgaria/Serbia and Greece/Bulgaria interconnectors allow for cooperation with northern countries.

Greece is not significantly affected by a Ukrainian route disruption thanks to the expansion of the Revythoussa LNG terminal.

In Romania, results show an infrastructure limitation, and therefore an infrastructure gap, preventing Romania from cooperating efficiently with its neighbouring countries and therefore further mitigating the situation.

The EU gas system resilience does not improve in South-Eastern Europe in 2030. However, if Western Europe generally shows a relatively high level of Remaining Flexibility in 2030 and 2040 in all scenarios except for Sustainable Transition, South-Eastern Europe is still exposed to demand curtailment.

In Sustainable Transition Western Europe is affected by the Ukraine route disruption and is showing a very low Remaining Flexibility in some countries (France, Spain, Portugal, United Kingdom, Ireland, Belgium and the Netherlands). The overall European curtailment is rather significant being around 1,200 GWh/d starting from 2030.

The overall evenly distributed level of demand curtailment in South-Eastern Europe in 2030 and 2040 in all scenarios, and especially in Sustainable Transition, shows that the infrastructure allows for a good cooperation between the concerned countries except for Romania where infrastructure reinforcement may be required to reduce its level of exposure. However, the overall level of demand curtailment in the region, despite the possibility of cooperation between the different countries, shows a high dependence of the region to the gas imported via the Ukraine route.

The simulation results show that in case of disruption of Ukraine transit route, Europe has not sufficient capacities of alternative import routes from Russian supply to be able to satisfy its demand and keep exporting gas to Ukraine, resulting in an overall shortage of around 1,100 GWh/d of gas in 2030 and 2040 in Sustainable Transition scenario (including Germany and Italy for around 600 GWh/d in 2030 and around 450 GWh/d in 2040).

In Distributed Generation and Global Climate Action scenarios, the reduction in demand combined with a higher penetration of renewable gases shows that the interconnections between European countries allow gas storages together with the LNG terminals to provide the necessary flexibility to cope with a Ukraine route disruption occurring during a peak day and fully mitigates the exposure to an import limitation. However, infrastructure limitations continue to expose Romania, Bulgaria, FYROM, Bosnia, Croatia and Serbia to a risk of demand curtailment.

2-week cold spell (see figure 2.5)

Under a 2-week cold spell and Ukraine route disruption, results show that the EU gas infrastructure is resilient with 3 exceptions.

Bulgaria is exposed in 2020 to a risk of significant rate of demand curtailment, but anticipated increase of national production and the new infrastructure commissioned before 2025 mitigate the situation in the following years of the assessment.

Romania is exposed to a risk of demand curtailment from 2025 onwards for all scenarios, with a curtailment rate over 20 % in 2030 and over 30 % in 2040 for all scenarios whereas its neighbouring countries are not exposed. This identifies an infrastructure gap concerning Romania against its resilience to a Ukraine route disruption during a 2-week high demand event.

FYROM is also exposed to demand curtailment in 2025 and in 2030 in Sustainable Transition scenario to a 30 % level of demand curtailment. In 2040, the risk is mitigated in all scenarios.

For all scenarios and over the whole time horizon of the assessment, Croatia is not additionally impacted by a 2-week disruption of the Ukraine route. Interconnections between European countries allow gas storages together with the LNG terminals to provide the necessary flexibility to cope with a Ukraine route disruption occurring during a 2-week cold spell.

4) Although Croatia and FYROM are exposed to demand curtailment in climatic stress conditions, they are additionally impacted by a Ukraine transit disruption.
Figure 2.4: Ukraine Transit Disruption – Peak Day
Figure 2.5: Ukraine Transit Disruption – 2-Week Cold Spell
Belarus Transit Disruption

This assessment considers the disruption of all gas imports via Belarus during climatic stress situations and the risk group is formed by Czech Republic, Belgium, Finland, Estonia, Germany, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Poland and Slovakia.

Peak day (see figure 2.7)

Under a Belarus transit disruption, most of the gas system is resilient but Poland and Lithuania, directly connected to Belarus, are exposed to demand curtailment in 2030 and 2040 in Sustainable Transition scenario and to a lesser extent, Lithuania is also exposed in Distributed Generation scenario.

In 2030 Distributed Generation scenario and in 2040 in all scenarios, due to Swinoujscie LNG terminal project, Poland and Latvia show a relatively high remaining flexibility whilst Lithuania is facing demand curtailment. This indicates an infrastructure gap preventing Lithuania from receiving support from its neighbouring countries to satisfy its demand.

In 2040 in Sustainable Transition scenario, demand is increasing in Poland and the country is exposed to a significant risk of demand curtailment together with Lithuania. This indicates another possible infrastructure gap in Poland in 2040 in case the Sustainable Transition scenario would materialise.

In case of a Belarus route disruption and considering the decommissioning of Klaipėda LNG FSRU in 2024, the new interconnection capacity between Poland and Lithuania is not sufficient to prevent Lithuania from demand curtailment in 2040 in all scenarios.

In addition, in 2040 in Sustainable Transition scenario, infrastructure reinforcement would help Poland to cope with a disruption of imports from Belarus.

In scenarios with higher penetration of renewable (Distributed Generation and Global Climate Action scenarios), Poland is not exposed to demand curtailment, even if its demand is increasing over time.

In case of Belarus disruption, results show that the reduction in the overall import capacity from Russia cannot be fully compensated by the other Russian supply import routes in Sustainable Transition scenario. As a consequence, the other supply sources have to be used at their maximum potentials and gas storages and LNG tanks at their maximum capacities to ensure the security of supply of Europe.

However, in Distributed Generation and Global Climate Action scenarios, the overall decrease of EU demand combined with the higher penetration of renewable gases limits the need for imports and allows for more flexible use of storages and LNG tanks during a peak day.

2-week cold spell (see figure 2.8)

During 2-week high demand situations, results show that EU gas system is resilient to a Belarus route disruption.

However, in 2030 EUCO 30 and in 2040 in Sustainable Transition scenario, due to an increase of demand combined with a limited penetration of renewable production, some infrastructure limitations expose Poland and Lithuania to a risk of demand curtailment, showing possible infrastructure need.

RISK GROUP

Figure 2.6: Risk group for Belarus transit disruption
Figure 2.7: Belarus Transit Disruption – Peak Day
Figure 2.8: Belarus Transit Disruption – 2-Week Cold Spell
Disruption of pipeline imports to the Baltic States and Finland

This assessment considers the disruption of all imports in Finland, Estonia and Latvia during climatic stress situations and the risk group is formed by Estonia, Finland, Latvia, Lithuania and Czech Republic, Belgium, Germany, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Poland and Slovakia1.

Peak Day (see figure 2.10)

The results show that Finland and Estonia are exposed to a high risk of demand curtailment (CR > 50 %) from 2020 onwards. Simulations show an infrastructure limitation, and therefore a gap, between Latvia and Estonia in all scenarios over the whole time horizon of the assessment. The interconnection capacity from Latvia to Estonia limits the cooperation of Latvia with Finland and Estonia. However, in all scenarios Finland and Estonia share the same level of demand curtailment, showing the interconnection between Finland and Estonia allows for an efficient cooperation.

Lithuania is not exposed to a risk of demand curtailment in 2020 since it has access to LNG via the Klaipėda FSRU that is considered to be decommissioned in 2024. However, GIPL project to be commissioned in 2021 connects Poland to Lithuania and therefore creates a possibility for cooperation between both countries from 2022 onwards. The overlapping of the 2 projects between the commissioning of GIPL and the decommissioning of Klaipėda allows Lithuania to be exposed to a limited risk of demand curtailment.

On the other hand, the new connection between Lithuania and Poland (GIPL) and the possibility for cooperation between both countries from 2022 creates the possibility that Poland and the rest of Europe can help limiting the exposure to a risk of demand curtailment in Lithuania in 2030 and 2040 (less than 5 %). In 2030, for Sustainable Transition scenario, Lithuania is not exposed to demand curtailment and shows some remaining flexibility.

However, in 2040 the higher demand for Poland in Sustainable Transition can result in some infrastructure limitations and may expose Poland to a limited level of demand curtailment.

2-week cold spell (see figure 2.11)

During a 2-week cold spell, simulation results show similar conclusions than for a Peak Day. Estonia and Finland can cooperate, but an infrastructure limitation prevents Estonia and Finland to further mitigate their level of exposure to demand curtailment (> 40 %) in all years of the assessment and for all scenarios.

Lithuania and Poland however, shows no risk of demand curtailment during a 2-week high demand situation.

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1) Compared to ENTSOG EU-wide SoS simulation, the risk group for Baltic States and Finland considered in TYNDP 2018 has been extended to other countries belonging to Belarus risk group. The FID project GIPL is part of the low infrastructure level and connects the Baltics states and Finland group to Poland and therefore allow for cooperation between all concerned countries.
Figure 2.10: Disruption of pipeline imports to the Baltic States and Finland – Peak Day
Figure 2.11: Disruption of pipeline imports to the Baltic States and Finland – 2-Week Cold Spell
**Algerian Pipeline import routes Disruption**

The simulation considers the disruption of all the imports pipelines from Algeria to the EU during climatic stress situations (peak day and 2-week cold spell) and the risk group is formed by Austria, Croatia, France, Greece, Italy, Malta, Portugal, Slovenia and Spain.

The Import pipelines from Algeria to EU disrupted in this case are:

1. MEG Pipeline between Algeria and Spain
2. MEDGAZ Pipeline between Algeria and Spain
3. TRANSMED Pipeline between Algeria and Italy

Results show that for all scenarios, until 2030, the European gas system is resilient to a disruption of all import pipelines from Algeria. As of 2030, whilst the EU is generally resilient, even if locally the Iberian Peninsula may be exposed to a limited risk of demand curtailment in all scenarios resulting from an increasing demand in all scenarios.

The exposure of Croatia to a risk of demand curtailment is a consequence of the climatic conditions and not related to the supply disruption as described in section 2.2.1.

**Peak Day (see figure 2.13)**

The European infrastructure is generally resilient to a disruption of all import pipelines from Algeria.

However, from 2025 onwards, Spain and Portugal may be exposed to a limited risk of demand curtailment that could increase in 2040 in the Sustainable Transition scenario following the significant increase in Peak Demand in the Iberian Peninsula (+40 % compared to 2020) combined with a locally limited level of penetration of renewable gases production.

In all scenarios, the increasing demand in Spain, and to a lesser extent in Portugal in 2030, may result in infrastructure limitations exposing the Iberian Peninsula to demand curtailment.

**2-week cold spell (see figure 2.14)**

The EU gas system is resilient to a disruption of all pipelines from Algeria during a 2-week cold spell.

However, in 2040 in Sustainable Transition scenario, Spain and Portugal are exposed to a limited level of demand curtailment (< 10 %).
Figure 2.13: Algerian Pipeline import routes Disruption – Peak Day
Figure 2.14: Algerian Pipeline import routes Disruption – 2-Week Cold Spell
Supply mixes under high demand situations

Under high demand situations the supply and demand balance depend on a significant share of storage injection. Over time the storages together with LNG and Russian supply replace the disappearing flexibility from National production. Also, in some scenarios as Global Climate Action or Distributed Generation the decrease in the supply from conventional National Production is replace by renewable gases. This is sensitive to the demand evolution explored in the scenarios. The charts in figures 2.17 – 2.19 illustrate the evolution in the different scenarios.

Russian gas is the only source showing an increasing share in the different scenarios analysed configuration. Regarding LNG, available LNG flexibility in the tanks is used in addition to the LNG deliveries from carriers. The volumes in tanks are the difference between the operative fill level of the LNG tanks and their technically required minimum fill level. In total, when the regasification capacities are fully used on the peak day as the other supply sources, Europe relies on storages to ensure at the minimum 36% of the gas supply in peak day events in Distributed Generation scenario and at the minimum 43% in Sustainable Transition scenario.
2.2.3 SUPPLY ADEQUACY IN NORTH-WEST EUROPE: THE CHALLENGE OF L-GAS AREAS

Status of L-gas production and related conversion plans

While most of Europe is supplied with high-calorific gas (H-gas), specific areas covering parts of the Netherlands, Germany, Belgium and France are supplied with low-calorific gas (L-gas) coming from the Groningen field (Netherlands), German fields and H-gas conversion facilities (e.g. by injection of nitrogen). These L-gas demand and supplies are connected through specific infrastructures with limited connections to the respective neighboring H-gas network. The average yearly L-gas energy demand is currently about 600 TWh/y.

The decline of the European production is an EU-wide concern. It is even more significant with regard to L-gas production due to the fact that L and H-gas are not substitutable and due to the limited number of L-gas production fields. Earthquakes related to the production of the Groningen field in the previous years have led the Dutch authorities to limit the production for the coming years while leaving some flexibility to adapt to cold situations.

Considering on the one hand the foreseen end of the Dutch L-gas exports to Belgium, France and Germany by 2030 as well as the declining German L-gas production, and on the other hand the current L-gas demand in Belgium, France and Germany (around 330 TWh/y), it is necessary to engage a continuous process of converting areas currently supplied by L-gas to H-gas. Belgium, France and Germany have prepared national conversion plans coordinated at bilateral and multilateral levels (e.g. the Gas Platform), and have started with the first steps of the planned conversion sequence. The foreseen conversion process includes the development of specific gas transmission infrastructure (or adaptation if existing) to integrate the L-gas and the H-gas networks and to bring H-gas supplies to the L-gas areas to be converted. Main infrastructure projects related to L/H conversion are further described in the North-West Gas Regional Investment Plan (NW GRIP) and the respective National Development Plans.

On 8 January 2018 a new gas production induced earthquake occurred at Zeerijp in the province of Groningen. After this earthquake the State Supervision of the Mines in the Netherlands gave the advice to reduce the gas production from the Groningen field as fast as possible to 12 bcm followed by a further decline to 0 bcm and terminate the production from the Groningen field by 2030.

To achieve this, in addition to the conversion plans in Belgium, France and Germany, the Netherlands will invest in a new nitrogen plant at Zuidbroek which can produce pseudo L-gas as of the second quarter of 2022. In addition, additional nitrogen will be purchased which can produce pseudo L-gas from gas year 2020 – 2021. Furthermore, industrial clients in the Netherlands will be converted from L-gas to H-gas. These measures to reduce the Groningen production were published in an addendum of the national network development plan 2017, which was published in June 2018.

In the meantime, the Gas act in the Netherlands has been altered with the purpose that the production from the Groningen field will never be more than is required from a security of supply perspective. This means that the blending stations of GTS will produce baseload and the Groningen field with the other sources (storages) will cover the rest of the market.

In addition to these volume reducing measures, the Minister also decided to close the production clusters in the Loppersum region. This decision will reduce the capacity of the Groningen field by approximately 25%. This reduced capacity has been used in the calculations in this TYNDP 2018.

L-gas in the TYNDP simulations

Since the previous TYNDP 2017, ENTSOG has endeavored to improve the modelling tool by separating the H- and L-gas markets in Belgium, France and Germany in its topology, and hence capturing the specific nature of L-gas transport.

In line with the improved topology, the demand data used for this TYNDP 2018 has been collected both for H-gas and for L-gas separately. To reflect the planned conversion processes in Belgium, France and Germany, the concerned TSOs have submitted the L-gas demand with a decreasing trend, in line with the projected decrease in L-gas export capacity from the Netherlands. At the same time the H-gas demand is showing a comparable increase.

Because of the match between decreasing L-gas demand in Belgium, France and Germany (assuming the realisation of the planned L/H conversion infrastructure projects and corresponding market conversion)
and decreasing export capacities for L-gas from the Netherlands, the EU system wide analysis in TYNDP 2018 does not show a specific infrastructure gap related to the decreasing L-gas production. This system-wide analysis shows that the security of supply risks related to the decrease in L-gas production and related export capacities in the Netherlands will be mitigated by the L/H conversion projects in the concerned countries.

As the current L-gas zones represent isolated systems, the materialization of the planned L/H conversion projects will allow them to be integrated into the global H-gas system which in turn will lead to an improvement in terms of Security of supply, Competition, Market Integration, and Sustainability:

- With the conversion of L-gas demand to H-gas, involved customers are not subject anymore to the security of supply risks related to L-gas supply.
- The current L-gas system with a very limited number of entry points will no longer be vulnerable to an infrastructure disruption when integrated into the existing H-has grid.
- Neither will it be mostly depending on indigenous L-gas supply, but rather have access to a number of supply sources identical to the H-grid in that country.
- Customers now supplied by L-gas will have access to H-gas instead of having to switch to other fuels.

The infrastructure projects related to the L/H conversion in respectively Belgium and France have been selected as Project of Common Interest in the 3rd PCI list following a dedicated CBA analysis based on TYNDP data and methodology. Thanks to the improved modelling methodology, ENTSOG will this time take care of the PS-CBA of these projects, that have again applied for the PCI label in the 4th PCI selection.
This section investigates the impact of the disruption of the single largest infrastructure of a country during a Peak day.

The SLID measures the curtailed demand following the disruption of the single largest infrastructure entering a given country (excluding storage and national production).

This simulation allows to identify potential infrastructure limitation for the considering country and the others European countries.

The simulation of the single largest infrastructures of the different countries look at the impact of such disruptions at a European level and replaces the former N-1 indicator of TYNDP 2017 that was a pure capacity-based indicator limited at country level.

The table of Single Largest Infrastructure Disruption for each country considered can be found in Annex D.

Northern boundaries of Europe

The largest infrastructures of Ireland and Sweden consider the interconnections to their only neighbouring countries. Therefore, their disruption result in a risk of significant demand curtailment (CR > 80 % for Ireland and Sweden) for all scenarios and all different assessment years.

The disruption of the Single Largest Infrastructure of Finland, could expose Finland and Estonia to a risk of demand curtailment of 40 % to 60 % depending the scenarios and years of the assessment.

Eastern Europe

Bulgaria is exposed to 60 % more demand curtailment in 2020, but a prospective increase of domestic production and the infrastructure commissioned before 2025 mitigates the situation from 2025 onwards in all scenarios.

Croatia (30 % to 40 % of demand curtailment), FYROM (100 %), Bosnia (100 %) and Romania (20 % to 40 %) are also additionally impacted by their Single Largest Infrastructure disruption compared to a Peak day. Additionally, in case of disruption of the Single Largest Infrastructure in Slovenia (around 50 % in all scenarios and years), Croatia is exposed to a curtailment rate from 20 % to 30 %.

Serbia is exposed to a high rate of demand curtailment in 2020 (70 %), but from 2025 onwards, the interconnection Bulgaria–Serbia helps mitigating the exposure down to 10 % in all scenarios. Additionally, the demand curtailment is also shared with Bosnia in the same proportions.

Western Europe

The disruption of the Single Largest Infrastructure of UK would locally expose UK and Ireland to some demand curtailment in 2030 and 2040, limited to 10 % maximum in Sustainable Transition.

The disruption of the Single Largest Infrastructure of Spain would expose Spain and Portugal to a risk of demand curtailment in Sustainable Transition scenario in 2040 around 15 %. And in case of SLI of Portugal, Portugal is exposed to a risk of demand curtailment around 30 % depending on the different scenarios.

Greece is exposed to demand curtailment in case of disruption of its Single Largest Infrastructure in all years of the assessment and for all scenarios. The simulation shows a risk of demand curtailment of 25 % in 2025 increasing to 35 % in 2030 in Sustainable transition scenario and decreasing to 20 % to 30 % in 2040 depending on the scenario.

The change in the exposure to demand curtailment in Greece follows the evolution of the peak demand in the different years and scenarios. Additionally, the demand curtailment is also shared with FYROM from 10 % to 30 %.

In case of disruption of the Single Largest Infrastructure in Slovakia, results show that Slovakia is resilient in all years and all scenarios of the assessment. However, In Sustainable Transition scenario in 2030 and 2040, the demand curtailment observed in Slovakia and other EU countries reflects an infrastructure limitation at EU level, not limited to Slovakia. Therefore, in case of disruption of the Single Largest Infrastructure in Slovakia, Europe has limited alternative import capacities from Russian supply to be able to satisfy its demand and keep exporting gas to Ukraine, resulting in an overall shortage of around 400 GWh/d of gas in 2030 and 2040 in Sustainable transition scenario.

In Distributed Generation and Global Climate Action scenarios, the reduction in demand combined with a higher penetration of renewable gases shows that the interconnections between European countries allow gas storages together with the LNG terminals to provide the necessary flexibility to cope with a Ukraine route disruption occurring during a peak day and fully mitigate the exposure to an import limitation.
Figure 2.18: Maximum exposure to demand curtailment in case of disruption of a Single Largest Infrastructure
2.2.5 CONCLUSIONS ON SECURITY OF SUPPLY RELATED NEEDS

The existing gas infrastructure in Europe, along with the foreseeable reinforcements – having already taken the final investment decision – is already providing sufficient flexibility for transmitting supplies to the demand areas in most of Europe. Likewise, the penetration of renewable gases in Western Europe reduces the risks of dependence on large infrastructure. It can stand a high number of route disruption situations, as well as for most countries the disruption of the largest single infrastructure (SLID), including under a high demand situation. Nevertheless, the assessment of the security of supply related needs, under the low infrastructure level, shows that some additional capacity could be needed in the following areas:

- Countries in South-Eastern Europe which would need additional import and interconnection capacity (Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, FYROM, Hungary, Romania and Serbia) to cover the risk of a Ukraine route disruption.
- In Sustainable Transition Western Europe is affected by the Ukraine route disruption and is showing a very low Remaining Flexibility in some countries (France, Spain, Portugal, United Kingdom, Ireland, Belgium, Netherlands). The overall European curtailment is rather significant being around 1,200 GWh/d starting from 2030 (including Germany and Italy for around 300 GWh/d in 2030).
- Poland and Lithuania could be exposed to demand curtailment for Belarus disruption for Sustainable Transition in 2040.
- Spain and Portugal could be exposed to demand curtailment for Algerian disruption for all the scenarios from 2030 onwards.
- Croatia on the long run, if their demand outlook materialises.
- Romania, the foreseen increased production would not be maintained over time (Romania increases its production until 2025 and then it decreases sharply).
- Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Estonia, Finland, FYROM, Greece, Ireland, Luxembourg, Portugal, Romania, Slovenia and Sweden, and potentially on the longer run Slovakia and Lithuania, to mitigate their exposure to the risk of disruption of their main infrastructure.

The assessment under the different scenarios shows a sensitivity of the different results based on the demand evolution.

2.3 COMPETITION NEEDS

2.3.1 SUPPLY SOURCES ACCESS

The access to different supply sources is a prerequisite for competition. The ability to have access to different supplies, as well as the volumes of these supplies, is taken into account for the identification of supply diversification needs.

The Supply Source Access indicator (SSA) measures the number of supply sources an area can access.

This supply source diversification ability is calculated from a market perspective, as the ability of each area to benefit from a decrease in the price of the considered supply source (such ability does not necessarily mean that the area has a physical access to the source).

The ability of an area to access a given source is measured through the supply source diversification indicator (SSDi). The SSDi is expressed as a percentage in the range 0 to 100 %, with e.g. 30 % corresponding to the supply cost of the area being 30 % responsive to a decrease in price of source S. The bigger the SSDi, the better the access to source S from a price perspective. A country has been considered as having a significant access to a supply source when the SSDi to this source is higher than 20 %, which means that a decrease in the price of this supply source would impact at least 20 % of the country supply bill. Alternatively, an SSDi of 0 % means the country gets no benefit from a low price of the concerned source.
Of course, the indicated reference threshold has to be red considering the demand of each country. For the larger gas markets, a lower threshold could be relevant to indicate diversification provided by some supply sources.

Figure 2.19 shows the situation of SSDi for each supply for Europe in 2020. The detailed results from the following maps allow identifying how a different threshold would impact on the results. The approach is based on marginal gas prices and therefore a country is considered benefiting from a source when having the possibility to commercially access that source.

Figure 2.20 shows the number of sources for each country. The results are presented for Best Estimate in 2020, Best Estimate (gas before coal) in 2025, Distributed Generation in 2030 and 2040 and in Sustainable Transition in 2030 and 2040 in the low infrastructure level.

Simulation results show that a large majority of European countries can benefit from a decreasing price of at least 3 different sources for all years and scenarios. From 2020 onwards, there is a decrease of number of sources (4 to 3) due to decreasing national production.

However, Estonia, Hungary, Croatia and Greece access only 2 sources in 2030 Sustainable Transition scenario and 3 in Distributed Generation.

Finland access to Russia and LNG sources in 2020 but with higher demand in 2025 onwards, in all scenarios, Finland access only one source, Russia. LNG source is under 20%.

Romania, FYROM, and the Iberian Peninsula never access more than 2 sources in all scenarios and for the whole time horizon of the assessment.
Figure 2.20: Number of supply sources per country
From 2025 onwards, the commissioning of the interconnection Bulgaria–Serbia, allows Bulgaria to access 3 sources including the Norwegian supply. Also, the commissioning of GIPL allows the Baltic states to access Norwegian supply.

For countries accessing LNG, LNG being a diversified source imported from different LNG basins and suppliers, it should be noted that the ability of a country to access a specific LNG basin/supplier is related to its supply contracts more than the ability of its infrastructure to access different LNG suppliers.

The following graphs informs in more detail the situation across Europe for the different SSDi per country and give the details of the Supply Source Access maps.

**Figure 2.21**: Best Estimate 2020 – SSDI indicator by country

**Figure 2.22**: Best Estimate (Gas before Coal) 2025 – SSDI indicator by country
Figure 2.23: Distributed Generation 2030 – SSDI indicator by country

Figure 2.24: Sustainable Transition Scenario 2030 – SSDI indicator by country
2.3.2 SUPPLY SOURCE DEPENDENCE (SSD)

The Supply Source Dependence (SSD) should be understood as the minimum share of a given source in the supply mix, being the source share, which cannot be substituted by the other supply sources. The analysis is done over the whole year. It has both a European and a country-level dimension. On a European level, it relates to the overall demand and supply volumes that are available. The European level situation therefore reflects a supply gap and not an infrastructure gap.

The SSD is assessed independently for each extra-EU supply under the assumption that countries interact in a cooperative way.

As a consequence of such cooperative behaviour, different levels of dependence between neighbouring countries indicate an infrastructure limitation that can be only mitigated by infrastructure reinforcement.
The results for the SSD indicator for Norwegian supply show no dependence for all European countries on Norwegian gas. The other suppliers can satisfy the European demand and the infrastructure is sufficient to provide gas. As shown in Figure 2.27, the maximum supply potential without considering Norwegian supply can cover the evolution of demand in all scenarios.

Results show that Europe is generally not dependent on Norwegian gas and, at country level, the infrastructure network is well developed for all countries to access alternative sources.

**Russian Supply**

The results of SSD indicator for Russian supply show dependence for all of Europe on Russian gas in 2020 and 2025 and to a lesser extent in the other years and scenarios. Nevertheless, at EU level, the gas infrastructure allows to maximise the other sources. This indicates that the European-level situation is purely a supply gap, reflecting that Europe relies on a minimum share of Russian gas to achieve its supply and demand balance. The increasing flexibility of other sources over time reduces accordingly the dependence to Russian gas. Yet, some country-level limitations exist and are detailed below. As said, some areas show higher dependence to Russian gas.

In all scenarios, the Baltic region (Lithuania, Latvia, Estonia and Finland) is more dependent on Russian supply after the decommissioning in 2024 of the LNG FSRU in Klaipėda. In 2020 in South-Eastern Europe, Bulgaria and FYROM higher dependence, reveal infrastructure limitation between these countries and their neighbours. However, from 2025 on, the wider sharing and decrease of the dependence in this region relates to the foreseen commissioning of a number of projects in the region (TAP, Interconnector Greece-Bulgaria and Interconnector Bulgaria-Serbia).

Romania, in 2020, reduce dependence with Russia related to its national production. But this dependence increases in 2025 onwards due to the announced decrease in national production and an infrastructure limitation with his neighbours.

Over time the increasing LNG potential is not sufficient to mitigate the supply gap in Sustainable Transition scenario. However, in Distributed Generation scenario, considering the lowest demand with a higher penetration of renewable gases, Eastern European countries (Finland, the Baltics, Poland, Czech Republic, Hungary, Slovakia and Croatia) show a significantly lower dependence to Russian supply.

In all scenarios, Eastern European countries listed above are showing a level of dependence significantly higher than the rest of Europe. This reveals an infrastructure limitation preventing those concerned countries to align their level of dependence with Western and Central Europe countries. Since they have limited alternative import capacities or limited storage volumes that could allow them to import more from alternative suppliers in summer.
Figure 2.29: SSD RUSSIA – Scenarios and years – Maps results
LNG

The results of the SSD indicator for LNG supply show limited dependence for most of Europe on LNG. At EU-level, the gas infrastructure allows to maximise the other sources. This indicates that the European-level situation is purely a supply gap, reflecting that Europe relies on a minimum share of LNG to achieve its supply and demand balance. Yet, some country-level limitations exist and are detailed below.

The results for the SSD indicator for LNG show dependence for the Iberian Peninsula on the global LNG market, reflecting an infrastructure limitation preventing further substitution of LNG by pipe supply.

In Sustainable Transition scenario, for the most part of European countries, the overall increase in demand combined with a lower supply potential due to low penetration of renewable gas compared to the other demand scenarios, results show a general increase in the dependence of Europe to LNG (SSD around 13%). Some suppliers have no more flexibility (Algeria, Libya and Norway), so this dependence is a supply gap and not infrastructure related. However, Azerbaijan, Russia and Turkey have still flexibility. The infrastructure limitation with these suppliers impact the most of European countries and the unified mode mitigate the dependence.

However, the eastern Countries showing high dependence to Russian supply show absolutely no dependence to LNG (Baltic Countries, Finland, Bulgaria, Bosnia Herzegovina, Hungary, Romania and Serbia).

Figure 2.30: European Level Supply and Demand Adequacy with no supply from LNG

Figure 2.31 shows the results for SSD to LNG supply in Best Estimate, Distributed Generation and Sustainable Scenarios.

For countries accessing LNG, whilst LNG is a diversified source imported from different LNG basins, results regarding the dependence to the different LNG basins show that no country is dependent on a single LNG basin.
Figure 2.31: SSD LNG – All scenarios and years – Maps results
**2.3.3 LICD – LNG AND INTERCONNECTION CAPACITY DIVERSIFICATION**

This indicator was called Import Route Diversification in the previous TYNDP (2017). It was focused on how balanced the import capacity of a given country is.

The LNG and Interconnection Capacity Diversification (LICD) does not consider the capacities from import route and transit route but only the LNG terminals capacities and the interconnections capacities between European Countries.

Each border entry capacity is capped by the country average day demand (incl. gasification), to avoid results for a small demand country being distorted by a big transit capacity.

This indicator shows the diversification from the perspective of market integration. It measures the diversification of paths that gas can flow through to reach a market area.

The LICD is an HHI indicator and ranges from 0 to 10,000. The lower the value, the better the diversification is. Where a country would have two borders the LICD cannot be lower than 5,000, and for a country having three borders the LICD cannot be lower than 3,333. See Annex F for detailed information about the indicators’ formulae.

The results of the LICD indicator are independent from the scenarios. Since a large majority of the FID projects are to be commissioned between 2020 and 2025, the changes in LICD values differ only between these two time horizons.

Results show that the diversification improves in South-Eastern Europe between 2020 and 2025 due to the commissioning of a number of projects in the region (IGB, Interconnection Bulgaria – Serbia and Interconnection Slovakia – Poland).

Due to their limited number of borders, countries located at the boundaries of Europe generally show a higher index compared to Central Europe countries.

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*Figure 2.32: LNG and Interconnection Capacity Diversification – Maps results*

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6) Herfindahl-Hirschman Index
2.3.4 CONCLUSION ON COMPETITION NEEDS

The infrastructure gaps hampering competition are identified by assessing the ability of countries to prevent a too high dependence to a given source and symmetrically to benefit from diversified supplies. These results have been complemented with a monetary perspective (see Market Integration Needs, following chapter).

The SSDI and SSD indicators help support the analysis. The gas infrastructure generally allows most countries to cooperate in mitigating the dependence to a given source by ensuring access to diversified supplies. Nevertheless, the assessment of the competition needs, under the low infrastructure level, shows potential needs in the following areas, often resulting from the same limitations as identified in terms of security of supply:

- Cyprus and Malta which are currently completely disconnected from Europe mainland
- In the South-Eastern and Central-Eastern area
  - South-Eastern countries are highly dependent on Russian supply,
  - Several FID projects mitigate the infrastructure limitations in Bulgaria as of 2025 (Interconnexion Greece – Bulgaria in particular).
  - Romania faces infrastructure limitations with its neighbouring countries (Hungary, Bulgaria).
  - Greece faces infrastructure limitations in sharing LNG with neighbouring countries.
  - The Central-Eastern area faces an increasing dependence on Russian gas on the long run, highlighting some infrastructure gaps to limiting the diversification of supply sources.
- In the Western area
  - The Iberian Peninsula have access mainly to LNG and Algerian gas when other Western countries access more sources.
  - In some instances, infrastructure limitations prevent countries with a direct access to LNG from sharing this access completely with neighbouring countries.
  - At European-level, a general degradation of the diversification potential over time related to the decrease of the European indigenous production can be compensated by the production of new gases for some scenarios (Distributed Generation, Global Climate Action) or new import routes.
2.4 MARKET INTEGRATION NEEDS

2.4.1 MARGINAL PRICE

This section investigates how Marginal Prices of European countries are sensitive to contrasted supply price configurations and their ability to converge.

New features in TYNDP 2018:

- New supply price methodology
- Tariffs included for the first time
- Long-term capacity bookings included for the first time

Reference case

It is not expected that the reference supply prices or arbitrary price differentials selected will materialise in the future, nor that the prices determined in the EU’s internal hubs by modelling will fully reflect internal demand and supply drivers. ENTSOG is aware that the actual development of prices is so volatile that the source used for the Reference price is probably already outdated at the time of publication of the TYNDP report and there are new forecasts available.

Interpretation of marginal prices

A difference in marginal price between two connected countries can be the result of a transmission tariff, an infrastructure limitation or both.

As reference marginal prices are different for every year and every scenario of the assessment, comparisons between countries, supply configurations or infrastructure levels are valuable only when comparing within the same year and same scenario.

For the purpose of maximising and minimising supply flows from individual sources in order to assess extreme transportation potentials of the grid a standardised approach has been defined. For the minimisation and maximisation of supplies the price curves of these supplies are set higher or lower by an arbitrary spread of 5 €/MWh making this supply more or less attractive. The import price of the other sources is not changed.

The following supply configurations were analysed:

- Russian gas supply maximised (low Russian price)
- Russian gas supply minimised (high Russian price)
- LNG supply maximised (low LNG price)
- LNG supply minimised (high LNG price)
- South gas supply gas maximised (low Azeri, Libyan, Algeria prices)

In the following maps, the reference price (0), used to compare the marginal prices, is the same average price used in the reference case for the same scenario and the same years. It is the middle price of the reference cases.

7) The definition and the methodology of infrastructure tariffs and Long Term Capacity Bookings used for the assessment are detailed in Annex D.
Figure 2.33: Marginal Price – Reference case
Maximisation of Russian supply

A low price for Russian gas can have an influence on nearly all European countries in terms of country-level average supply price. The effect appears stronger for the Eastern part of the EU.
Minimisation of Russian supply

In 2020, Best Estimate scenario, we obtain the same results than for reference case. For reference case, we already reached the lower boundary for Russian supply.

High price of Russian supply impacts all European countries. Countries of Eastern and South-Eastern Europe are more exposed while in Western Europe and Greece, the impact of an expensive Russian supply is less significant.

On the longer term, the overall increase of supply flexibility from the other sources reduces the impact of a high Russian supply price.
Low LNG prices benefit most Europe in 2020. Countries with a direct connection to LNG supply are the first beneficiaries and depending on the available capacities and tariffs, this impact allows to propagate further to other countries.

In 2025, the difference in marginal price between Greece and Bulgaria is higher than the transmission tariff. Therefore, it shows some infrastructure limitation preventing Greece to share the benefits of a cheap LNG supply with the rest of Europe. Simulation results show that after 2025 a larger part of Europe can benefit from a cheap LNG supply: marginal prices are more aligned in almost all South-Eastern Europe.

The overall EU impact evolution over time is also enhanced by the increasing LNG supply potential in all scenarios.

**Maximisation of LNG supply**

*Figure 2.36: Marginal Price – LNG Maximisation – Low Price*
Minimisation of LNG supply

A high LNG price can influence the marginal price in most of Europe with a more limited impact on some Eastern European countries connected to the Russian supply that show lower marginal prices (Finland, Baltic Countries, Hungary, Romania and Bulgaria). These countries are locally less exposed to a high LNG supply price but cannot help reducing the exposure of their neighbouring countries.
Maximisation of Southern gas supply

Since the Southern supply potential (Azerbaijan, Libya, Algeria) is small compared to the European demand, the estimated impacts of cheap South Countries gas on overall EU prices are limited and show no difference compared to reference case.
Annual EU supply mix per configuration

This part analyses the impact of contrasted EU supply mixes on the EU supply and demand balance and gas infrastructure. This is achieved through supply configurations intended at maximising or respectively minimising specific supply sources such as Russian gas and LNG.

The next figures show the EU annual supply and demand balance for the years 2020, 2025, 2030 and 2040 for these contrasted supply mixes and the range for each supply source.

At EU level, the low infrastructure level allows each source to reach its maximum potential, under the corresponding contrasted supply mix. At country level, some infrastructure limitations exist. They are identified in other parts of this chapter.

The infrastructure in the Low infrastructure level also provides high flexibility at EU level. This is shown by the wide range of possible supply mixes. This can be mainly observed on the long run, where the supply flexibilities are wider.

The low infrastructure level does not allow the internal market to make full use of the Romanian indigenous production over the whole time horizon.
Figure 2.39: Annual EU supply mix per configuration 2020

Figure 2.40: Annual EU supply mix per configuration 2025
Figure 2.41: Annual EU supply mix per configuration 2030

Figure 2.42: Annual EU supply mix per configuration 2030
Figure 2.43: Annual EU supply mix per configuration 2020

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Figure 2.45: Range of EU supply mix per configuration

2.4.2 CONCLUSION ON MARKET INTEGRATION NEEDS

The TYNDP assessment concludes that, if liquid hubs were in place all over Europe, market were perfectly functioning, and diversification would allow a sufficient competition between supply sources, the infrastructure would presumably allow marginal prices to converge across most of Europe. Nevertheless, previous sections results related to competition have also shown that inability to ensure sufficient diversification hampers competition in some areas of Europe. The assessment identifies infrastructure limitations in terms of market integration, and subsequently diversification of supplies, in particular for the following areas:

- Between Greece and countries further north.
- Between Poland and Baltic States.
- Between Poland and countries south of Poland.
- Between Romania and its neighbours.
- Between Croatia and neighbours.
3 ENERGY SYSTEM-WIDE COST-BENEFIT ANALYSIS OF ADVANCED PROJECTS

The previous section provided a thorough analysis of what the current infrastructure, complemented with FID projects, already achieves. It concludes that the Low gas infrastructure level already offers a high resilience and market integration. Nevertheless, some remaining needs can subsist in specific areas in order to achieve the European internal energy market. These needs persist on the long run while taking into account the evolution of the gas demand pattern to achieve the European energy and climate targets.

This section therefore assesses the overall further impact of the projects having an advanced status, by comparing the results of the Advanced infrastructure level to those of the Low infrastructure level. The projects of advanced status are defined as the ones that are planned to be commissioned until 2024 and in addition either the front-end engineering design phase or permitting phase has been started (see Infrastructure chapter for further details).

The 72 projects with advanced status are listed in Tables 3.1 and 3.2. Although having an advanced status, some of these projects may not all materialise.

Projects are taken into account in the assessment from the year following their commissioning.

The relevant capacities for this infrastructure level can be found in the Annex D.

Advanced projects with direct impact in the advanced infrastructure level

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**Table 3.1:** Advanced projects with direct impact in the advanced infrastructure level

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**Table 3.2:** Advanced projects without a direct impact in the advanced infrastructure level

Note: The assessment of the Advanced infrastructure level focuses on the improvement achieved by commissioning of Advanced projects and their ability to mitigate the needs identified in the Low infrastructure level. When advanced projects mitigate infrastructure needs across all scenarios, the maps presented in the report show the improvement for scenarios where the needs are the most important.
3.1 SECURITY OF SUPPLY NEEDS

This section assesses the benefits from advanced projects in improving the resilience of the EU gas system to cope with various stressful events:

- Climatic stress
- Supply route disruptions
- Infrastructure disruptions

3.1.1 CLIMATIC STRESS

Peak day

2020 and 2025:

In Croatia, the risk of demand curtailment from 2025 onwards identified in the Low infrastructure level is mitigated in the advanced infrastructure level. This improved situation results from the planned commissioning of Krk LNG terminal in Croatia and the strengthened connection to Slovenia, which itself is better connected to other markets via Austria.

2030 and 2040:

Europe is not exposed to any risk of demand curtailment in any scenario. The advanced projects fully mitigate the risk of demand curtailment except for FYROM. In Sustainable Transition scenario in 2040, FYROM mitigate the risk of a demand curtailment.

However, exposure of FYROM to demand curtailment in 2025 is not improved since no advanced project is increasing the entry capacity to FYROM. The remaining flexibility during high demand situations is significantly improved in Central and South-Eastern Europe.

Furthermore, most of the countries of Central and North-East Europe see an increment in their remaining flexibility.

Figure 3.1: Climatic Stress for Peak Day
SUPPLY ROUTE DISRUPTIONS

This section investigates the impact of the advanced projects on the assessment of a supply route disruption during a high demand situation (climatic stress).

Ukraine Transit Disruption

Peak Day

Under Ukrainian transit route disruption, the Advanced projects improve the situation and fully mitigate the risk of demand curtailment in South-Eastern Europe from 2025 onwards in all scenarios, except for FYROM. The new infrastructure linking South-East Europe to the Western markets and the new connections to LNG and new supply sources from the Black sea and the Caspian region have beneficial effects. Also, regarding Bulgaria, internal reinforcement and UGS Chirens expansion mitigate the demand curtailment from 2025.

Figure 3.2: Ukraine Transit Disruption-Peak Day

8) Although FYROM is exposed to demand curtailment in climatic stress conditions, it is additionally impacted by a Ukraine transit disruption.
**Belarus Transit Disruption**

This assessment considers the disruption of all gas imports via Belarus during climatic stress situations.

**Peak day**

Under Belarus disruption, the Advanced projects improve the situation and fully mitigate the risk of demand curtailment in Eastern Europe from 2025 onwards in all scenarios, except for FYROM1.

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**Figure 3.3:** BELARUS Transit Disruption-Peak Day
Disruption of pipeline imports to the Baltic States and Finland

This assessment considers the disruption of all imports from Russia in Finland, Estonia and Latvia during climatic stress situations.

Peak Day

Under disruption of pipeline imports to the Baltic States and Finland, the advanced projects, mitigate the risk of demand curtailment in Estonia from 2025 onwards with the commissioning of Tallin LNG terminal. However, Finland is still exposed, but to a lesser extent, to demand curtailment as of 2020 as the interconnection capacity with Estonia faces some limitations. Furthermore, the exposure of Lithuania to a risk of demand curtailment in case of a peak day is fully mitigated with a limited risk of congestion of the interconnection Poland – Lithuania and Latvia – Lithuania in Distributed Generation scenario due to the increasing demand in Lithuania.

Figure 3.4: Disruption of pipeline imports to the Baltic States and Finland – Peak Day
Algerian Pipeline import routes Disruption

The simulation considers the disruption of all the imports pipelines from Algeria to the EU during climatic stress situations (peak day and 2-week cold spell). Import pipelines from Algeria:

1. MEG Pipeline between Algeria and Spain
2. MEDGAZ Pipeline between Algeria and Spain
3. TRANSMED Pipeline between Algeria and Italy

Peak day

Under Algerian pipe disruption in 2030, the advanced projects mitigate the risk of the demand curtailment in Spain and Portugal. However, in 2040 in Sustainable Transition scenario, the advanced projects cannot fully mitigate the risk of demand curtailment.

Even if the risk remains limited, the Peak Demand increase in the Iberian Peninsula (+40% compared to 2020) combined with a locally limited level of penetration of renewable gases production, deteriorates the situation between 2030 and 2040 in case of disruption of pipeline imports from Algeria.
3.1.3 SINGLE LARGEST INFRASTRUCTURE DISRUPTION (SLID)

Advanced projects allow Europe to access alternative supply routes and sources.

Northern Europe

The Tallin Terminal project allow Estonia to mitigate the risk of demand curtailment in Estonia from 2025 onwards (Curtailment rate = 0 %) but not in Finland because of the infrastructure limitation of the Baltic Interconnector. Finland is still exposed to a risk of demand curtailment with a curtailment rate at 40 % to 60 %.

In 2040 Sustainable Transition scenario, interconnections between Poland with neighbouring countries mitigates the risk of demand curtailment for Both Poland and Lithuania.

Sweden is no more exposed to a risk of demand curtailment with the Terminal project Gothenburg and exposure of Denmark is also mitigated with the commisioning of the Baltic Pipe reinforcement towards its National Production.

The Terminal project in Ireland partially mitigates the risk of demand curtailment and the limited exposure of UK and Ireland in case of disruption of UK Single-Largest Infrastructure is not significantly improved by the advanced projects.

Eastern Europe have a large number of projects that either mitigate the risk in the event of SLID from 2025 onwards or significantly reduce it:

- Croatia with Terminal project Krk
- Romania with National Production which nevertheless decreases from 2030 onwards and Romania is getting gas from Ukraine via Transbalkan
- Slovenia with new interconnection projects (Croatia and Austria)
- Greece and FYROM from 2025 onwards with notably the terminal project Alexandroupolis
- Serbia with new interconnection project with Croatia.
- In case of Slovakia SLID Europe is no longer exposed to Demand Curtailment.
- Bosnia does not improve its situation for all scenarios and years.

Western Europe

Advanced projects fully mitigate the risk of demand curtailment in case of SLID of Spain. Spain has still a risk of demand curtailment in 2040 in Sustainable Transition scenario. Portugal presents the same risks of demand curtailment (the projects are incomplete and do not mitigate the risks).
Figure 3.6: Maximum exposure to demand curtailment in case of disruption of a Single Largest Infrastructure
3.2 COMPETITION NEEDS

3.2.1 SUPPLY SOURCES ACCESS

Already from 2025, the commissioning of advanced projects (Tallin LNG terminal, Latvia-Lithuania interconnection and Inčukalns UGS) allows the Baltic States and Finland to access at least 3 supply sources from a market perspective.

2020 and 2025:
The diversification of the Iberian Peninsula is similar in the Advanced infrastructure level, with a temporary improvement in 2030 in

Distributed Generation scenario and an access to 4 sources in the long term in 2040 in Global Climate Action scenario.

2030 and 2040:
In Greece, the advanced projects connect Greece to Italy and increase the capacity to Bulgaria. As a result, more European countries can physically access Azeri and Turkmen gas. However, the consequence is that, whilst more European countries can benefit from a decrease in Azeri/Turkmen price, Greece can less benefit from it and therefore the SSDi indicator for Azeri gas cannot reach the 20% threshold in Greece in the advanced infrastructure level.

In 2030, comparing the situation of Advanced infrastructure level with Low, the situation improves especially in 2030 Sustainable Transition for France, Switzerland and marginally for Spain in 2030 (Distributed Generation) due to enhancement in the interconnection in the area that improves the access to Algerian and Norwegian supply in these countries.

Concerning Romania, the situation is improved by the increment in the interconnection between Romania and Bulgaria and between Romania and Hungary.

In the longer term in 2040, the situation is improved for most part of Europe, especially in Finland and Romania, and most countries can access 3 or more sources in all scenarios. Spain and Portugal can also benefit from the advanced projects in Global Climate Action scenario, but not in Distributed Generation and Sustainable Transition.
Figure 3.7: Number of supply source per country
The following graphs inform in more detail the situation across Europe for the different SSDi per country.

**Figure 3.8**: Best Estimate 2020 – SSDI indicator by country

**Figure 3.9**: Best Estimate (Gas before Coal) 2025 – SSDI indicator by country
Figure 3.10: Distributed Generation 2030 - SSDI indicator by country

Figure 3.11: Sustainable Transition Scenario 2030 - SSDI indicator by country
Figure 3.12: Distributed Generation 2040 – SSDI indicator by country

Figure 3.13: Sustainable Transition Scenario 2040 - SSDI indicator by country
### 3.2.2 SUPPLY SOURCE DEPENDENCE (SSD)

#### Russian Supply

By 2020, the advanced projects enable the countries of South-Eastern Europe to significantly reduce their dependence on Russian gas and to share the same levels of dependence as their neighbours, except for Bulgaria and FYROM, which remain with an equivalent dependence.

For most scenarios, as of 2025, all EU countries are significantly reducing their dependency (SSD < 2% in 2030 and 0 in 2040).

It should be noted that countries of North-Eastern Europe (Finland, Estonia, Lithuania, Latvia) also show no dependence in 2040 after a significant decrease in 2030 following the commissioning of advanced projects in the region.

In Sustainable Transition scenario, the dependence decreases strongly and stabilises at most around 20% for the most dependent countries.

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*Figure 3.14: SSD RUSSIA – Scenarios and years*
Global LNG supply

In the advanced infrastructure level, results show a significant decrease of the market dependence of the Iberian Peninsula to the global LNG supply.
3.2.3 LNG AND INTERCONNECTION CAPACITY DIVERSIFICATION – LICD

The results compared to the Low infrastructure level show that most European countries are improving their diversification. The most significant developments are Romania, Croatia, Czech Republic, Ireland, Slovenia, Sweden and Switzerland. Nevertheless, some countries with little diversification remain stable (Bosnia, Finland, United Kingdom, Spain, Portugal).

Figure 3.16: LNG and Interconnection Capacity Diversification – LOW infrastructure level

Figure 3.17: LNG and Interconnection Capacity Diversification – Advanced infrastructure level
3.3 MARKET INTEGRATION BENEFITS

3.3.1 MARGINAL PRICE

Reference case:

In Reference case, the advanced level is improving price convergence for all scenarios, especially in South-Eastern European countries (Croatia, Greece, Bulgaria, Romania) and in South-West (Italy).
Figure 3.18: Marginal Price – Reference case – Advanced Infrastructure level
Marginal prices in Price configuration “RU Max”:

The advanced infrastructure level allows Western and South-Eastern countries to benefit of attractive prices on the same basis as countries directly supplied by Russia.
Marginal prices in Price configuration “RU Min”:

Advanced projects generally increase the ability of European countries to decrease their dependence towards Russian gas. All European countries are therefore improving their situation in case of a high Russian gas price, and a better marginal price convergence is observed. However, the impact is more limited for those countries directly connected to the Russian imports.
Marginal prices in Price configuration “LNG Max”:

With the consideration of Advanced LNG terminal projects, many countries and neighbouring countries directly benefit from attractive LNG prices (South-East, Baltics and North-East countries). Price convergence is observed for all scenarios.
Marginal prices in Price configuration "LNG Min":

A high LNG price can influence the marginal price in most of Europe with a more limited impact than in the low infrastructure level due to the advanced infrastructure projects which facilitate the North-South and East-West flows.
The advanced projects prove efficient in terms of improving security of supply, diversification and competition. In terms of security of supply advanced projects provide the following benefits:

- Croatia is no longer exposed to demand curtailment in case of peak demand, including on the long-run.
- Bulgaria and Romania are totally protected.
- The Baltic States and Poland improve their resilience in case of short-term route disruptions.
- South-Eastern countries fully mitigate the risk of demand curtailment from 2025 onwards, except for FYROM, in case of short-term Ukrainian route disruption.
- Many countries reduce or mitigate their exposure to a risk of demand curtailment in case of disruption of their single largest infrastructure.

The advanced projects additionally deliver in terms of improving competition, by increasing route and supply diversification and consequently lifting local high dependence to specific supply sources. In particular, the Baltic States and Finland are connected to the main EU gas grid and can access three supply sources, decreasing their dependence to Russian gas.

Finally, the advanced projects, by improving competition and market integration, prevent a large number of Eastern European countries to be subject to monopolistic supply behaviour.

The overall investment costs for all advanced projects represent 27 Bn€. The actual costs of achieving the above listed benefits would certainly be much lower as some advanced projects potentially compete in terms of delivering security of supply, competition and market integration to the areas in need.

Even with the materialisation of advanced projects, some needs would still not be covered:

- In FYROM, Bosnia and Herzegovina the SLID remains close 100 % on the long run.
- Finland, Lithuania, Ireland, Portugal, Romania, Serbia and Sweden improve their situation but not totally (Security Of Supply, Market).
4 IMPACT OF THE PROJECTS ON THE THIRD PCI LIST

This section focuses on the benefits of 3rd PCI list projects without a FID status yet, independently from their advancement status. The identification of infrastructure gaps in the Low infrastructure level (section 6.3) forms the basis for this impact assessment.

The relevant projects for this infrastructure level can be found in Annex A, the relevant capacities in Annex C.

As a general result, the implementation of all projects in the 3rd PCI list would be a significant contribution in strengthening the European gas infrastructure.

These results cannot be directly compared to those of the advanced infrastructure level as on one hand a number of advanced projects are not part of the 3rd PCI list, and on the other hand a number of 3rd PCI list projects do not have an advanced status.

4.1 SECURITY OF SUPPLY NEEDS

4.1.1 CLIMATIC STRESS

The climatic stress without disruption shows a risk of demand curtailment only for FY-ROM in some scenarios: in 2025 for Best Estimate (coal before Coal) and in 2030 for Sustainable Transition.

4.1.2 SUPPLY ROUTE DISRUPTIONS

This section investigates the additional impact of a supply route disruption during a high demand situation (climatic stress) and the benefits that PCI projects provide in that situations.
Ukraine Transit Disruption

Peak Day

For the Ukrainian transit route disruption, PCI projects fully mitigated the risk of demand curtailment for Europe from 2025 onwards except for FYROM. The new infrastructure linking South-East Europe to the Western markets and the new connections to LNG in that region have beneficial effects. Also, regarding to Bulgaria, the commissioning of the Bulgarian projects and Interconnection Greece Bulgaria projects, that increment the entry capacity and mitigate the demand curtailment from 2025 awards.

9) Although FYROM are exposed to demand curtailment in climatic stress conditions, it is additionally impacted by a Ukraine transit disruption, specially in 2040 Global Climate Change and Sustainable Transition because without disruption FYROM don’t show any curtailment.
Belarus Transit Disruption

Peak Day

Under a Belarus transit disruption, the PCI projects fully mitigate the risk of demand curtailment for Poland and Lithuania in 2030 and 2040. However, in 2040, Northern Europe countries show a low remaining flexibility due to the cooperation between countries like in the low infrastructure level.

Concerning Lithuania, the demand curtailment is completely mitigated in all scenarios except in 2040 Sustainable Transition due to the commissioning of the enhancement of Latvia-Lithuania interconnection. Therefore, the situation improves from low infrastructure level.

Figure 4.2: BELARUS Transit Disruption-Peak Day
Disruption of pipeline imports to the Baltic States and Finland

Peak Day

Under disruption of all imports to the Baltic States and Finland, results show that, in the PCI infrastructure level, Finland and Estonia continue to be exposed to a high risk of demand curtailment (CR > 50%) from 2020 onwards. However, from 2025 onwards, PCI projects improve the situation in Lithuania for all scenarios.

Figure 4.3: Disruption of pipeline imports to the Baltic States and Finland - Peak Day
Algerian Pipeline import routes Disruption

The situation is improving in all the years and scenarios for the Iberian Peninsula with a low risk of demand curtailment in 2025 and 2030 (below 5%). In Sustainable Transition scenario in 2040, with an increasing peak demand in Spain (+40% compared to 2020), the risk is partially mitigated down to 15% compared to 20% in the low infrastructure level. For Portugal the situation is also partially mitigated with a risk of demand curtailment down to 15% compared to 20% in the low infrastructure level.

Figure 4.4: Algerian Pipeline import routes Disruption – Peak Day
**4.1.3 SINGLE LARGEST INFRASTRUCTURE DISRUPTION (SLID)**

**Northern Europe**

In 2040 Sustainable Transition scenario, interconnections between Poland and Czech Republic mitigates the risk of demand curtailment for both Poland and Lithuania. Sweden is no more exposed to a risk of demand curtailment with the commissioning of the Baltic Pipe reinforcement towards its National Production. SLID impact on Finland and Estonia is not improved in the PCI infrastructure level.

The LNG terminal project in Ireland partially mitigates the risk of demand curtailment and the situation is unchanged in UK.

![Figure 4.5: Maximum exposure to demand curtailment in case of disruption of a Single Largest Infrastructure](image)

**South-Eastern Europe**

Projects from the 3rd PCI list either mitigate the risk in the event of SLI from 2025 onwards or significantly reduce it:

- Croatia with Terminal project Krk
- Serbia with new interconnection project with Croatia.
- Romania with interconnections projects with neighbour countries and the National Production which nevertheless decreases from 2030 onwards
- Slovenia with new interconnections projects
- Greece and FYROM from 2025 onwards with the terminal project Alexandroupolis
- In case of Slovakia SLID Europe is no longer exposed to Demand Curtailment.

All those projects are also part of the Advanced infrastructure level.

**Western Europe**

PCI projects fully mitigate the risk of demand curtailment in case of SLID in the Iberian Peninsula in all scenarios specially for Portugal from 45% in 2020 to 20% in 2025, to 25% in 2030 and to less than 10% in 2040. Spain has only a risk of demand curtailment in 2040 in Sustainable Transition scenario.
4.2 COMPETITION NEEDS

4.2.1 SUPPLY SOURCES ACCESS

Already from 2020 the access to supply sources in the PCI infrastructure level is improved in South-Eastern Europe for all years and in all scenarios.

On the longer run, the situation in Finland continues showing an infrastructure limitation and only count with one source.

The 3rd PCI list projects improve temporarily the access of the Iberian Peninsula to additional supplies in 2030 in Distributed Generation scenario, but the effect is not visible in 2040.

Figures 4.7 to 4.9 inform in more detail the situation across Europe for the different SSDi per country.

Figure 4.6: Number of supply source per country

Figure 4.7: Best Estimate (Gas before Coal) 2025 - SSDi indicator by country
**Figure 4.8:** Distributed Generation 2030 – SSDI indicator by country

**Figure 4.9:** Distributed Generation 2040 – SSDI indicator by country
4.2.2 SUPPLY SOURCE DEPENDENCE (SSD)

Russian Supply

PCI projects generally allow all EU countries to share their dependence and therefore to significantly reduce it in Eastern Europe. However, dependence on Russian gas remains significant for the Baltic States and Finland.

LNG supply

PCI projects reduce the dependence of European countries close to 0% as of 2030 for all scenarios. However, the impact for Spain and Portugal remains very limited.
4.2.3 LNG AND INTERCONNECTION CAPACITY DIVERSIFICATION – LICD

The results show that most European countries are improving their diversification compared to the Low Infrastructure level. The most significant developments are in Romania, Bulgaria, Serbia, Denmark, Ireland and Sweden. To a lesser extent, the following countries are improving their situation without reaching a sufficient level of diversification: Czech Republic, Greece, Hungary, Poland, Slovakia, Slovenia and Spain. Nevertheless, some countries with low diversification remain stable (Estonia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Finland, United Kingdom, Latvia, Lithuania and Portugal).

Figure 4.12: LNG and Interconnection Capacity Diversification – LOW Infrastructure Level

Figure 4.13: LNG and Interconnection Capacity Diversification – PCI Infrastructure Level
CONCLUSION

4.3

3rd PCI list projects mitigate some needs identified in the Low infrastructure level:

Security of Supply

▲ Croatia is no longer exposed to demand curtailment in case of peak demand, including on the long-run.
▲ Overall Europe and especially South Eastern countries results protected from demand curtailment or remaining flexibility limitation in case of short-term Ukrainian route disruption including on the long-run.
▲ The Baltic States and Poland improve their resilience in case of short-term route disruptions.

Many countries reduce or mitigate their exposure to a risk of demand curtailment in case of disruption of their single largest infrastructure.
▲ Compared to the Advanced infrastructure level, exposure of Finland and Estonia to demand curtailment in case of supply disruption or infrastructure disruption (SLID) is not mitigated.

Competition

The access to supply sources is improved to the point where all European countries have access to a minimum of 3 different supply sources (2030). In the long term, Finland and the Iberian Peninsula have access to 2 sources.

The 3rd PCI list projects additionally deliver in terms of improving competition, by increasing route and supply diversification and consequently lifting local high dependence to specific supply sources. Dependence on Russian supply is mitigated in all parts of Europe but in the Baltic States and Finland where dependence remains relatively significant. The Iberian Peninsula dependence on LNG is also significantly mitigated.

Regarding the LICD indicator, 3rd PCI list projects improve the situation and almost all European countries show an index below 5,000.
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