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## ENTSOG publish its '2050 Roadmap Action Plan' to deliver on European Commission's Energy System Integration and Hydrogen Strategies

(Brussels, 8 October 2020, PR0217) Today, the European Network of Transmission System Operators for Gas (ENTSOG) published its 2050 Roadmap Action Plan, in response to the recently published European Commission's Energy System Integration and Hydrogen Strategies.

In December 2019, ENTSOG published its Roadmap 2050 for Gas Grids, which included recommendations on how the European gas TSOs can make gas grids ready for the transition of the energy sector by looking into pathways for decarbonising the gas grids by 2050. The 2050 Roadmap Action Plan considers stakeholders' input from electricity, gas and hydrogen value chain, collected during three webinars in spring this year, and was prepared with consideration to the EC Energy System Integration and Hydrogen Strategies.

ENTSOG considers that the following principles will underpin gas TSOs' actions in delivering on the EU's energy and climate objectives:

- INFRASTRUCTURE: Delivering Europe's future energy networks
- MARKETS: Same market principles for all gases, including hydrogen
- GAS TSOs AS SYSTEM INTEGRATORS in the emerging hybrid energy system

Jan Ingwersen, ENTSOG General Director, commented: "To deliver on the Recovery Plan for Europe and the European Green Deal, the 2050 Roadmap Action Plan outlines the actions gas TSOs can take to further support the existing gas value chain, as well as the emerging hydrogen value chain. The TSOs will be ready to deliver on their role, building on their expertise of network management, by developing and managing Europe's infrastructure for all gases, including hydrogen."



To make this Plan operational, ENTSOG is committed to promote an intensive dialogue at EU level with industry, DSOs and adjacent operators in the gas, hydrogen and electricity sectors. ENTSOG plans the following six key activities:

- Participate in the European Clean Hydrogen Alliance
- Engage in the EU SET Plan Action 6
- Establish an Advisory Panel for Future Gas Grids
- Establish a Joint TYNDP Advisory Panel
- Establish a Prime Mover Group on Gas Quality and Hydrogen Handling
- Continue Prime Mover Group on GOs and Certificates

Stakeholders from European Commission, regulators, NGOs, industry, end-users, DSOs and adjacent operators for the gas, hydrogen and electricity sectors will be invited by ENTSOG in the next weeks to stakeholders' dialogue on their respective areas of expertise.

The Roadmap Action Plan is available on the ENTSOG website, <u>here</u>. Additionally, a video interview on ENTSOG's Roadmap Action Plan with ENTSOG's President, Stephan Kamphues and Jan Ingwersen, ENTSOG General Director, can be viewed <u>here</u>.

If you would like to share your feedback on the ENTSOG 2050 Roadmap Action Plan or have questions regarding the panels organisation you can contact Sara Piskor, ENTSOG Strategy, Policy and Communication Director, <u>Sara.Piskor@entsog.eu</u>.

## **Editorial notes**

**European Network of Transmission System Operators for Gas (ENTSOG)** was founded on 1 December 2009 in line with Regulation (EC) 715/2009 to promote the completion of the internal market for gas by facilitating cooperation between national gas transmission system operators (TSOs) across Europe and in line with European Union energy goals. More information can be found on the ENTSOG website – <u>www.entsog.eu</u>. The current number of Members, Associated Partners and Observers can be found at <u>www.entsog.eu/members</u>.