

Press Release

ENTSOG publishes draft Ten Year Network Development Plan (TYNDP) 2020 and opens public consultation

(Brussels, 25 November 2020, PR0221-20) Today, ENTSOG publishes the draft TYNDP 2020 for gas, as required by Regulation 715/2009. The document identifies potential investment gaps, and how projects submitted to TYNDP mitigate these gaps, following contrasted scenarios reflecting the European Climate and Energy ambitions. Public consultation on the document will be open until 8 January 2021 and feedback will contribute to finalising TYNDP 2020.

The TYNDP 2020 assessment confirms that the current gas infrastructure is close to completing the internal energy market. Some specific areas still show investment needs to improve interconnections and connection to new supplies, however almost all infrastructure gaps can be addressed in the next five years by projects already initiated, including ability to handle supply route disruptions. It also shows that the gas infrastructure offers exceptional and cost-efficient opportunities for the EU to develop intermittent renewables and decarbonised gases at large scale.

For the first time, TYNDP 2020 has developed COP21 compliant scenarios, building on a carbon budget approach to reach net-zero by 2050. Additionally, it accounts for the national policy scenario – National Trends – reflecting the respective Member States' National Energy and Climate Plans (NECPs).

Jan Ingwersen, ENTSOG General Director, says, "The TYNDP 2020 shows that the gas system as part of a Hybrid Energy Infrastructure can support the inclusion into the existing infrastructure of renewable and low carbon gases, including hydrogen, in line with the European strategies for Hydrogen and Energy System Integration. These strategies can deliver more efficient, resilient, sustainable as well as faster and cheaper decarbonisation of the European energy sector."

The TYNDP 2020 (Executive Summary, Reports and Annexes) is available for review at <u>tyndp2020.entsog.eu</u> or the ENTSOG website, <u>here</u>. Stakeholders can provide feedback using the public <u>feedback form</u> until 8 January 2021.

ENTSOG will be organising a workshop to present and exchange views on TYNDP 2020 with stakeholders on 16 December 2020. You can register at <u>this link</u>.



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Editorial notes

ENTSOG 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 Members, Associated Partners and Observers can be found at <u>www.entsog.eu/members</u>