

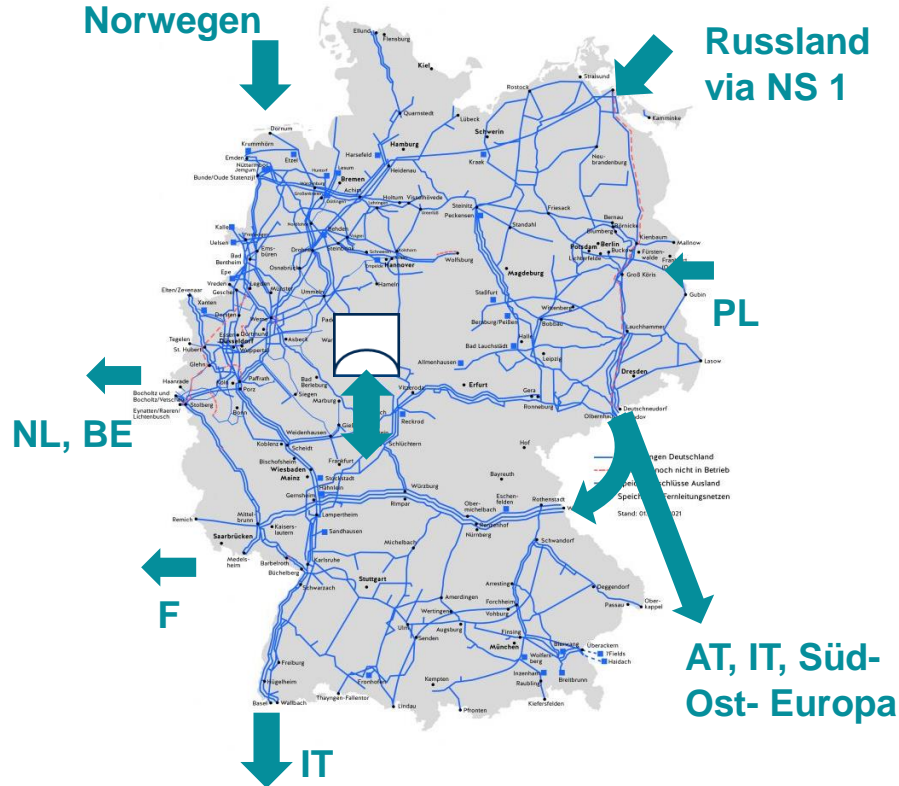
# New gas supply routes to Germany – Impact on gas quality

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# Transport in DE (2021)



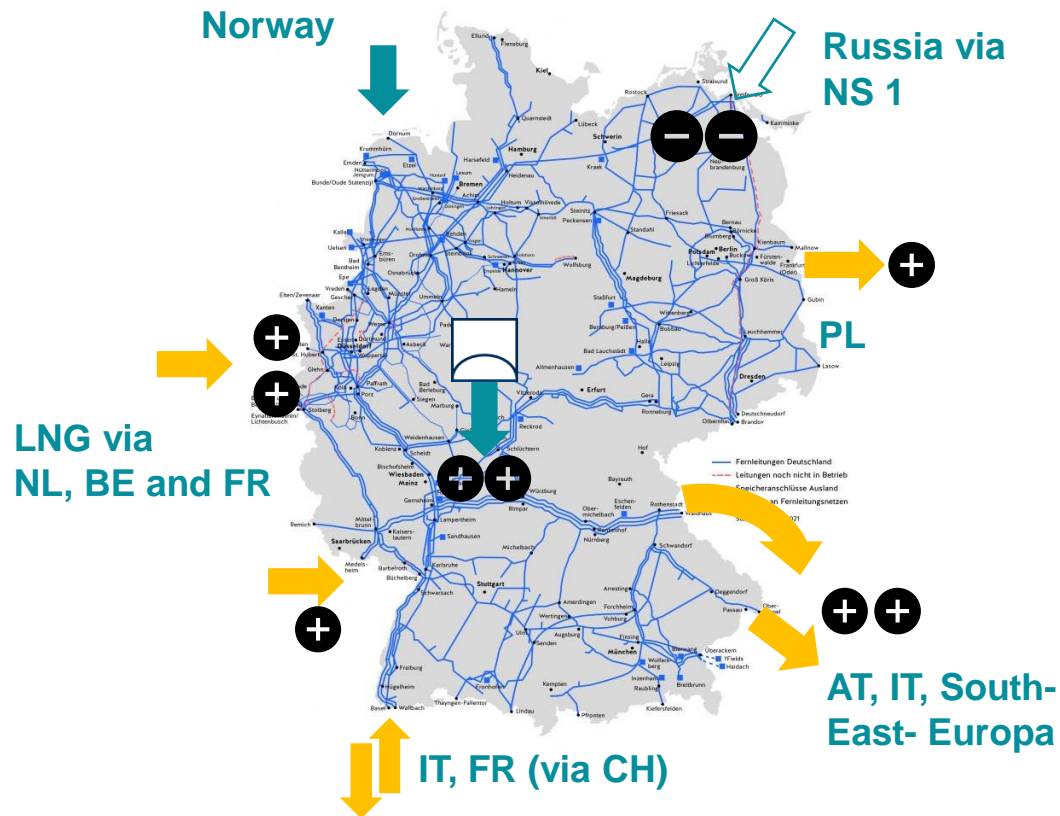
## Transportwege

- Ost-West-Transport
- Nord-Süd-Transport

## Ausgleich

- Speichereinsatz
- Transite nach Bedarf

# Transport in DE in case of failure delivery from Russia



## Replacement by

- UGS
- LNG

## Changed transport routes

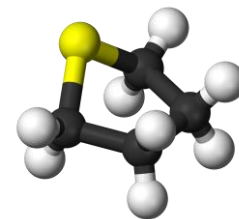
- Maximum West-East-Transport
- Maximum North-South-Transport

## Risiken

- Zu geringe LNG-Lieferungen
- Speicher relativ leer
- Regionale Transportengpässe

# Gas odorization in France

- Décret n°2004-251 (Gesetz)
- RSDG 10 (Industry requirement)
- Odorization of TSO-grid in striking contrast to Germany



Tetrahydrothiophene (THT)

| Odorant         | Min. [mg/m <sup>3</sup> ] | Mean [mg/m <sup>3</sup> ] | Max. [mg/m <sup>3</sup> ] |
|-----------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| THT             | 15                        | 25                        | 40                        |
| Sulfur from THT | 5,5                       | 9,1                       | 14,5                      |

Depending on how the networks are operated, it cannot be ruled out that natural gas containing up to 14.5 mg of sulfur from THT enters the German network via Medelsheim.

**Comparison:** Odorization in Germany according to DVGW-Code of Practice G280:  
min. 10 mg/m<sup>3</sup> THT (3,6 mg S from THT).  
max. 28 mg/m<sup>3</sup> THT (10 mg S from THT).

# International / national standards on gas quality

| Parameter                            | DIN EN 16726:2019      | DVGW G260:2021          |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| Total Sulfur (excl. odorization)     | 21 mg/m <sup>3</sup>   | 6 mg/m <sup>3</sup> **  |
| Total Sulfur (incl. odorization)     | 30 mg/m <sup>3</sup> * | 10 mg/m <sup>3</sup> ** |
| Sulfur from mercaptans               | 6 mg/m <sup>3</sup>    | 6 mg/m <sup>3</sup>     |
| Sulfur from H <sub>2</sub> S and COS | 5 mg/m <sup>3</sup>    | 5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> **  |

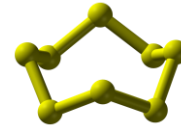
\* If p > 16bar

\*\* According to DIN EN 16726, sulfur contents of up to 21 mg/m<sup>3</sup> for non-odorised natural gas H can apply to grid coupling and grid connection points that are influenced by cross-border gas transport. In justified cases (e.g. odourization according to DVGW G 280), other values may apply to network coupling and network connection points that were or will be commissioned before a binding European standard on gas quality came into force, if the specifications in Annex F are complied with.

# Valuation

- Taking over odorized gas from France should not cause any fundamental problems:
  - Odorization level is not significantly higher than in Germany (max. values: 10 vs. 14.5 mg/m<sup>3</sup> sulfur)
  - Footnotes in G260 in conjunction with Appendix F allow for higher sulfur contents in justified cases
  - In a European comparison, sulfur limits are higher than in Germany
  - Up until 2013, higher permissible sulfur concentrations also applied in Germany
  
- **But:** According to the 10th BImSchV, table D.1 according to DIN EN 16723-2:2017, applies to CNG  
Total sulfur: 10 mg/m<sup>3</sup>      (=> desulfurization before CNG filling station if necessary)

# Concentration of Oxygen



- DVGW-Code of Practice G260 and EN 16726 are identical
  - 1 mol-% bzw. 0,001 mol-%, if UGS are involveld
  - Up to 100 mol-ppm are expected at Medelsheim

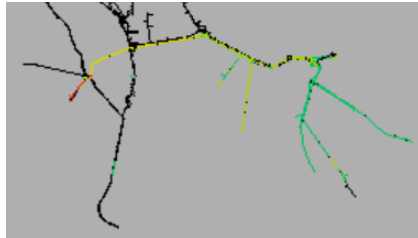
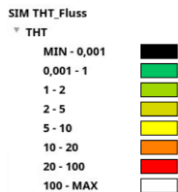


- **Oxygen causes severe trouble within gas infrastructure**
  - Oxidation of trace components, e.g. formation of elemental sulfur ( $S_8$ ) and Black Powder
  - Oxygen induced corrosion
  - Influencing microbiological process (e.g. in storages)
    - Acidification / Clogging
    - Corrosion



# Measurement of Gas Quality (THT, O<sub>2</sub>, S<sub>8</sub>)

- Construction of an online THT measurement technology at all affected interconnection points
- Additional measurement is installed downstream in the grid
- In addition: random sampling by our chemical laboratory, possibly also in downstream networks
- Based on this: simulation of the THT concentration according to ReKo
- Measurement of O<sub>2</sub> und elemental sulfur
- Installation of an addition O<sub>2</sub>-measurement downstream





# New construction of LNG-Terminal in Wilhelmshaven



LNG comprises far less components than „pipeline-natural gas“

- Methane
- $C_2 - C_4$ -Hydrocarbons
- Nitrogen
- Exhibits quite high Wobbe-Index

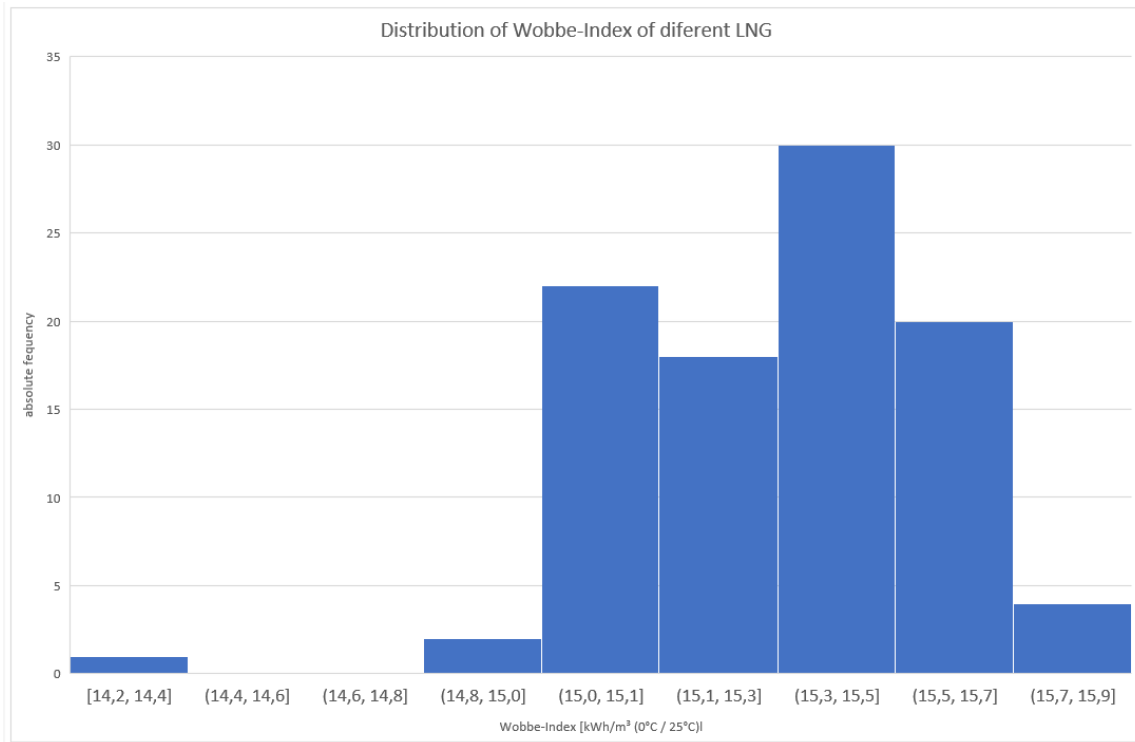


# Wobbe-Index: limits and values

— Wobbe-Index: Limits according to DVGW G260: **13,6 – 15,4 kWh/m<sup>3</sup> (0°C/25°C)\***

\* at Interconnection Points 15,7 kWh/m<sup>3</sup> (53,6 MJ/m<sup>3</sup>) are possible.

**46,44 – 52,6 MJ/m<sup>3</sup> (15°C/15°C)**



- Literature research for approx. 100 LNG-Qualities from all over the world
- Few would be “off-spec” with respect to DVGW G260
- No practical experience in Germany yet.
- Ballasting system not yet planned
- Close monitoring of Gas Quality will be necessary

# New gas sources – new challenges

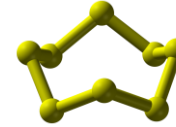
- Measuring and monitoring of new components in TSO grid in Germany

- THT, O<sub>2</sub>



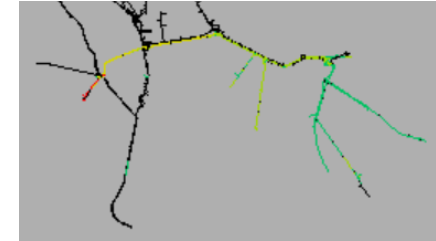
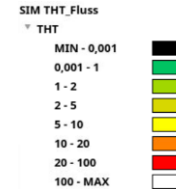
- Trace analysis of yet uncommon constituents

- Elemental sulfur

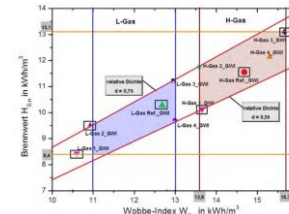


- Determination of physico-chemical properties

- Wobbe-Index



- Subsequently: simulation of grid parameters



# Thank you for your attention - Questions?



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