

## **Press Release**

## ENTSOG publishes draft Cost-Benefit Analysis Methodology for hydrogen infrastructure projects following stakeholder feedback

(Brussels, 3 July 2023, PR0294-23) Today, ENTSOG publishes its draft cost-benefit analysis (CBA) methodology for hydrogen infrastructure projects. This draft report has been updated following a period of consultation with stakeholders and has been submitted to the European Commission (EC), ACER and EU Member States for their considered feedback, in line with Article 11.1 of Regulation (EU) 2022/869 (TEN-E Regulation).

According to the revised TEN-E Regulation, ENTSOG has the task to develop a CBA methodology for energy system-wide analysis to support the European Projects of Common Interest (PCI) selection process. The CBA methodology is in general applied to the European-wide Network Development Plans for gas (TYNDP), the subsequent PCI and Project of Mutual Interest (PMI) selection processes, PCIs' and PMIs' Cross-Border Cost Allocation (CBCA) procedures, and certain eligibility checks of PCIs and PMIs for EU financial assistance. The main objective of the CBA methodology therefore is to provide a common and uniform basis for the assessment of projects on the basis of their energy and climatic value for European society.

On 28 February 2023, ENTSOG published a <u>preliminary CBA methodology report</u>, inviting stakeholders to provide their feedback until 31 May via an online questionnaire. Stakeholders were also invited to participate in a public workshop on 27 March. ENTSOG has collected and evaluated all submitted feedback, and on that basis has developed this draft CBA Methodology report. This report also builds on the <u>report issued by ACER</u> in May 2023 and the <u>report issued by the European Scientific Advisory Board on Climate Change</u> in March 2023.

In compliance with **Article 11.2 of Regulation (EU) 2022/869,** the draft CBA methodology is accompanied by the report on the consideration of stakeholders feedback from the consultation process including all <u>responses from stakeholders</u> to the consultation process.

ENTSOG's draft single-sector CBA methodology report is available on the ENTSOG website.



After due consideration of ACER, Member States and EC feedback by ENTSOG, the adapted CBA Methodology will be submitted to EC for final approval.

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## **Editorial notes**

> The European Network of Transmission System Operators for Gas (ENTSOG) was founded in line with Regulation (EC) 715/2009 and has played a key role in facilitating integration of the European gas markets, ensuring technical interoperability and providing security of supply by gas infrastructure planning. Looking forward, ENTSOG is contributing to the net-zero decarbonisation by 2050, in particular, by the integration of renewable and low carbon gases via future-proof gas transmission pipelines, in line with the EU energy and climate goals. More information on ENTSOG can be found on our website – or contact info@entsog.eu.