ENTSOG publishes first European Ten Year Network Development Plan for gas transmission systems

Today, the European Network of Transmission System Operators for Gas (ENTSOG) has published its first European Ten Year Network Development Plan 2010-2019 (TYNDP) for gas transmission systems on its website www.entsog.eu. The TYNDP provides the first pan European view of supply, demand and capacity development from the perspective of European gas transmission system operators (TSOs). The TYNDP contains European demand and supply scenarios as well as information on network development and investment projects received from 58 TSOs, ministries and project sponsors of 33 European countries. Main results are:

- ENTSOG European gas demand scenarios show an increase by 14% on the annual level and by 12% on the peak day. However, ENTSOG would like to make aware that a number of TSOs were not yet able to revise their demand scenarios in the light of the economic downturn.
- ENTSOG potential gas supply scenarios show an increase of 8% on the annual level and of 17% on the peak day. They include capacity increases of projects for which the final investment decision has been taken as well as mature projects and take into account the decline of European indigenous production.
- While the European aggregate annual and peak day potential supply scenarios are larger than the demand scenarios, a European peak day analysis taking inner-European cross-border capacities into account shows capacity shortfalls in the region Denmark/Sweden and some countries in South-East Europe. Investment projects or revised demand forecasts in the light of the economic downturn are expected to remedy this situation.

Jacques Laurelut, GTE President said: “GTE+ started development of the TYNDP in the beginning of 2008. A first intermediate report on the capacity development was published by the end of that year. An extensive stakeholder dialogue was started on demand and capacity development leading to the second intermediate report by the middle of 2009. The subsequent stakeholder dialogue focussed on supply scenarios. GTE+ is happy to hand over the results of its work to ENTSOG which was founded beginning of December 2009.”

Stephan Kamphues, the first ENTSOG President said: “The TYNDP is an important part of the Third European Legislative Energy Package that will contribute to the harmonised development of the single internal European gas market. European TSOs are working with stakeholders to create a long term vision of the gas transmission system for the benefit of the European Union market as a whole, delivering value for end users and increased energy security for all. We are looking forward to continuing the successful stakeholder dialogue and would like inviting all European stakeholders to contribute to the next ENTSOG TYNDP foreseen to be published by the end of next year.”

Notes to Editors

- Regulation (EC) 715/2009 of the European Third Legislative Energy Package introduces the European Network of Transmission System Operators for Gas (ENTSOG) defining its role in developing network codes for a European Gas Market, preparing and publishing a ten-year network development plan and co-operating intensively with market and government stakeholders.
- ENTSOG was founded on 1 December 2009 and is based in Brussels. Initially it comprises 31 members from 21 countries. Others will join shortly.