

## Press Release

### **European Network of Transmission System Operators for Gas (ENTSOG) launches a public consultation on the issue of Harmonisation of Maintenance Publication.**

Today, the European Network of Transmission System Operators for Gas launched on its website a public consultation on a proposal for harmonising the time and the way its members publish information regarding maintenance of the transmission network under their responsibility.

ENTSOG considers that a common approach towards the publication of maintenance information, according to the requirements of Regulation (EC) 715/2009, shall further improve transparency and contribute to market integration.

With this proposal ENTSOG is aiming at providing market participants with a harmonized publication procedure for the planned interventions on the transmission network, operated by its members, which has an impact on the firm and interruptible capacity offered on cross-border interconnection points. The publication shall be harmonised so that an equivalent piece of information is published for all such interconnection points (IP concerned, impact on the available capacity, nature of planned maintenance, planning period and duration).

ENTSOG's proposal is described in detail in an [explanatory document](#) and a [presentation](#) (available at [http://www.entsog.eu/publications/index\\_g\\_interoperability.html](http://www.entsog.eu/publications/index_g_interoperability.html)).

Vittorio Musazzi, ENTSOG General Manager, said: "ENTSOG feels it as its duty to contribute to a structured and harmonised way regarding the availability of maintenance information for the European transmission system. We hope our proposal can lead to improved transparency and support the work towards market integration. Based on the feedback we receive from the stakeholders, we will try to make our proposal better and support our members towards their effort to submit the market with the needed information in a timely and consistent format."

To evaluate the market need for possible further harmonisation, regarding the publication of maintenance information, ENTSOG invites all interested parties to provide comments and proposals for improvements on the consultation paper - and in particular the enclosed presentation.

Any comments should be received by 15 May 2011 and should be sent by email to [info@entsog.eu](mailto:info@entsog.eu). Following the public consultation period, ENTSOG will publish all comments received on its website. If a respondent would like ENTSOG to treat their contribution with confidentiality, this must be explicitly mentioned in their submission.

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**Note to Editors**

- ENTSOG was founded on 1 December 2009 and currently comprises 33 members from 22 countries.

