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## Challenges for a comprehensive European Energy Security Policy for Gas

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Europe's citizens and companies need a secure supply of energy at affordable prices in order to maintain their standards of living. This is one of the reasons why the EU focuses on a **comprehensive European Energy Security Policy**.

Several current developments indeed justify the realization of an enhanced energy policy for Europe: the tremendous increase, then fall, of energy prices; the uncertain and controversial state of energy reserves; the disequilibrium between the increase of demand and the contraction of the offer; the reliance on unstable energy suppliers; and finally Europe's increasing energy dependence, together with a decrease of its indigenous energy production.

Against this background we will discuss and identify with politicians, industry, energy experts and EU/international institutions possible approaches regarding energy security for gas, and to look at different level of governance for energy (EU, national and other decentralized).

The D Group Germany and Egmont Institute wishes all participants an informative and successful conference.

- 08:45 Registration
- 09:15 Welcome by Egmont Institute and the D Group Germany
- 09:25 **Key Note Address,**  
*Amb. André Mernier, Secretary-General of the Energy Charter Treaty*

**Session 1**  
**Internal dimension of energy security for gas: storage, crisis management and other measures**

- 9:30 **Legislative initiatives in the field of energy security for gas**  
*Ulrike Rackow, Principal Administrator, Council of the European Union*
- 9:45 **What relation between EU and IEA mechanisms?**  
*Didier Houssin, Director of Energy Markets and Security, International Energy Agency*
- 10:00 **What responsibility for the private industry?**  
*Dr. Gerhard König, Chairman of the Board of Managing Directors, WINGAS GmbH & Co KG and Member of the Board of Executive Directors, Wintershall Holding AG*
- 10:15 *Debate with speakers and participants*
- 10:45 *Coffee break*

**Session 2**  
**External dimension of energy security for gas: diversification and infrastructures**

- 11:00 **What role for EU legislator?**  
*Herbert Reul, Chairman of ITRE Committee, European Parliament*
- 11:15 **The potential for the creation of Gas Purchasing Group and/or Supply Agency(ies)**  
*Christian Stoffaës, RTE*
- 11:30 **Securing gas supply for Europe: Nord Stream – current status of the pipeline project through the Baltic Sea**  
*Sebastian Sass, Head of EU Representation, Nord Stream AG*
- 11:45 **Competitive multi-site sourcing of natural gas from an industrial perspective**  
*Steven Luyten, Energy Manager, INEOS*
- 12:00 *Debate with speakers and participants*
- 12:30 *Break*

**Session 3**  
**Creating the adequate conditions for energy security: the need for investments and a research, development & innovation strategy**

- 13:45 **What is the future of energy networks for gas?**  
*Lord Mogg, European Regulator's Group for Electricity and Gas (ERGEG) (tbc)*

- 14:00 **Development and innovative strategies for Transmission System Operators**  
*Ralph Bahke, Managing Director, ONTRAS – VNG Gastransport GmbH*
- 14:15 **The role of gas in EU energy security**  
*Angela Cleveland, Commercial Director, Upstream, Scandinavia Shell Upstream International*
- 14:45 **The European Energy program for Recovery: a right step forward?**  
*Jean-Arnold Vinois, European Commission, Head of DG Energy*
- 15:00 **Debate with speakers and participants**
- 15:40 **Closing Remarks**  
*Günther Oettinger, EU Commissioner for Energy*  
  
*Prof. Jean-Michel Glachant, Director of the Florence School of Regulation (FSR) and Sami Andoura, Notre Europe*

- 16:00 **Press Conference**
- 16:30 **End**