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## **Energy infrastructure priorities** for 2020 and beyond

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## **Energy Policy development**



## The 20-20-20 EU policy By 2020





## EU-27 Import dependence



# The January 2009 gas crisis and its impact (6-20 January 2009)





## **Energy Infrastructure challenges and drivers**

#### **Electricity:**

- Increasing demand
- Growing share of RES
- Smart grid applications
- Large-scale storage
- Higher voltage longdistance transmission

#### **CO2 transmission:**

Co-ordinated planning for future optimised deployment

#### Gas:

- Stable share, growing import dependency
- Role as back-up fuel need for more flexibility
- Single-source dependency in Eastern Europe – need for diversification

#### Oil:

Security of supply of landlocked countries in Central-Eastern Europe

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In addition, the modernisation of **district heating and cooling** networks can enhance energy efficiency.

# European infrastructures priorities – electricity by 2020

Baltic energy market interconnection plan

Interconnections in South West Europe

Interconnections in Central-South East Europe

Offshore grid in the Northern Seas

Smart grids in the EU



# European infrastructures priorities – gas and oil by 2020

#### Southern gas corridor

Baltic energy market interconnection plan

South-North gas interconnections in Western Europe

North south gas & oil interconnections in Central & South East Europe



# European infrastructures priorities – beyond 2020

## Electricity highways

## • European CO<sub>2</sub> transport infrastructure





### **Energy system investment needs**





NB: approximative figures, mainly from DG ENER calculations based on data from PRIMES, ENTSO-E, KEMA, ECOFYS etc.



## **Obstacles to energy infrastructure development**

- Huge uncertainties: future technologies, demand, generation and sources
- Tariff regulation and financing:
  - Projects with higher regional than national benefit: difficult cost allocation
  - » Projects using innovative technologies higher risks
  - Infrastructure for security of supply: often not justified by market demand
  - » <u>Financial crisis</u>: difficult access to capitals
- Permitting and social acceptance



Infrastructures external to the EU: political risks such as unattractive or non-transparent investment framework



## **Energy infrastructure policy**

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## Way forward – implementation starting now

#### • Regional initiatives/cooperation, e.g.

- » BEMIP in the Baltic Sea region
- » NSCOGI in the Northern Seas area
- » High Level Group on North South connections in Central Eastern Europe on gas, electricity and oil

#### • ...to deliver in the course of 2012, i.a.

- » List of projects of European interest, on the basis of criteria agreed at EU level
- » Proposals for solutions to regulatory issues
- » Best practice in permit granting

#### ...in cooperation with

- » ACER, ERGEG, ENTSOs
- » Florence, Madrid Fora



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# Way forward – European energy security and infrastructure instrument to be proposed in 2011

#### New EU planning approach

- » Planning and selection method including criteria
- » Policy and project support tool

#### Improved cost allocation

- » Effective cost allocation for complex (cross-border) projects (« beneficiary pays » principle)
- Regulation matching risks (innovation) and objective (security of supply) of infrastructure investments

#### • Financing only where market failure

» New financial instruments in cooperation with IFIs and direct EU support if needed

#### • Faster and more transparent permit granting procedures

- » One-stop shop approach and time limit for decisions
- » Transparency and early involvement of stakeholders
- » Compensation harmonisation
- » Rewards/incentives to regions and Member States



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## **Questions to consider for this ENTSO-E workshop**

- Which common, measurable and verifiable criteria should be chosen to identify projects of European interest?
- How should ENTSO-E's TYNDP regional groups cooperate with other regional cooperation structures (e.g. BEMIP, NSCOGI, ERGEG electricity regions) to identify these projects of European interest?
- How to get to a commonly accepted socio-economic project evaluation methodology to decide on the eligibility for EU financial support under a new instrument?
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In what specific areas could support be usefully considered under the proposed planning and policy support tool?







## Thank you for your attention!

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