Gas Transmission

# **EU Update**

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### **Post-Brexit National Grid: ENTSOG Relationship**

The UK and EU signed a Trade and Cooperation Agreement on 30 December 2020

The TCA requires UK TSOs and ENTSOG to develop new working arrangements, including a framework for cooperation, outside of formal membership

BEIS have therefore asked UK TSOs to develop a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to be agreed with ENTSOG which sets out efficient and inclusive working arrangements to ensure effective future cooperation

## **Post-Brexit National Grid: ENTSOG Relationship**

#### Areas of cooperation for inclusion in the MoU are expected to include:

- Gas markets
- Access to networks
- Security of gas supply
- Infrastructure planning
- Offshore energy
- Efficient use of gas interconnectors
- Gas decarbonisation and gas quality

### **EU Gas Quality Update**

#### Inclusion of Wobbe Index in the CEN standard EN 16726:2015

- Development of a regulatory framework to implement the proposed exit classification system will take place within ENTSOG's Prime Movers group
- It is proposed that a sub-group will develop rules and procedures for:
  - Assigning & switching classes
  - Assessment of sensitive users
  - Identification & analysis of mitigation measures
  - Communication & information flows

EC/Frontier Economics are planning a workshop in Q1 2021 to discuss issues around gas quality management in the energy transition

### Other EU Consultations

EC Consultation - Revision of EU Rules on Market Access - Planned for Q2 2021

Aims to revise EU rules to facilitate the market entry of renewable and low carbon gases

https://ec.europa.eu/info/law/better-regulation/have-your-say/initiatives/12766-Revision-of-EU-Rules-on-Gas-

ENTSOG/ACER Functionality consultation on 'Greater flexibility to book firm capacity at interconnection points'

**Currently live - closes on 19th February 2021** 

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