

## 8<sup>th</sup> Session of the Group of Experts on Gas, 25-26 March 2021

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### Draft Timetable

Thursday, 25 March 2021		
Time	Agenda item	Speakers/Panellists
09:45	Registration and connection check-up	
10:00	Housekeeping	Mr Branko Milicevic, Secretary, Group of Experts on Gas
10:02	<b>Item 1: Adoption of the agenda</b>	Mr Francisco de la Flor García, Chair, Group of Experts on Gas
10:05	<b>Item 2: Opening remarks and keynotes</b>	Mr Francisco de la Flor García, Chair, Group of Experts on Gas Mr Joe Kang, President, International Gas Union Mr Yury Sentyurin, Secretary-General, Gas Exporting Countries Forum Mr Petar Stanojević, Special Adviser, Ministry of Energy, Serbia Mr Dmitry Mariyasin, Deputy Executive Secretary, UNECE
10:45	<b>Item 3: Election of officers</b>	Mr Branko Milicevic, Secretary, Group of Experts on Gas
10:50	<b>Item 4: Activities and priorities of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe and its Executive Committee</b>	Mr Scott Foster, Director, Sustainable Energy Division, UNECE
11:00	<b>Item 5: Implementation of the current work plan (2020-2021)</b> Gas-powered post-COVID-19 recovery as a step towards a decarbonized world Role of gas in attaining the Sustainable Development Goals: air quality Case studies on air quality – Istanbul, Santiago de Chile, urban areas of Israel	Moderator: Mr Torstein Indrebø, Vice-chair, Group of Experts on Gas  Panellists: Mr Luis Bertrán, Secretary General, IGU and Vice-chair, Group of Experts on Gas Mr Amir Foster, Executive Director, Association of Oil and Gas Exploration Industries, Israel Mr Jim Herbertson, Technical Director, Climate/Energy, IPIECA
11:40	<b>Item 5: Implementation of the current work plan (2020-2021)</b> Decarbonization through synergies between gas and electricity Hydrogen workshop conclusions	<i>Moderators:</i> Mr Francisco de la Flor García, Chair, Group of Experts on Gas <i>Speaker:</i> Mr Christopher Andrey, Director, Artelys, Belgium (invited) Mr Florian Marco, Vice-Chair, Group of Experts on Gas
12:00	Lunch break	
14:00	<b>Item 5: Implementation of the current work plan (2020-2021)</b> Decarbonisation and hydrogen Hydrogen application in metallurgy Hysland project of the Balearic Government “Longship” - a full scale North Sea CCS-project Hydrogen gas asset readiness	<i>Moderators:</i> Mr Francisco de la Flor García, Chair, Group of Experts on Gas Mr Florian Marco, Vice-Chair, Group of Experts on Gas <i>Keynote:</i> Mr Pedro Ballesteros Torres, Senior Administrator of International Relations, DG ENER, European Commission <i>Panellists:</i> Mr Constantine Levoyannis, Hydrogen Europe Ms Maria Jaen, Project Coordinator, Enagás, Spain Mr Ilya Pavlov, Vice President Investments, Severstal, Russia Mr Alex Engh, Ministry of Petroleum and Energy, Norway Ms Ana María García Domínguez, Enagas, Spain Q&A

15:10	<b>Item 5: Implementation of the current work plan (2020-2021) <i>continued</i></b> Best practices in methane management in the gas sector	<p>Moderator: Ms Denise Mulholland, US EPA and Vice-chair, Group of Experts on Gas</p> <p>Panellists: Mr James Diamond, Team Leader, Oil and Gas, Environment and Climate Change Canada, and Co-Chair Global Methane Initiative Oil &amp; Gas Subcommittee Mr Mark Radka, Chief, Energy, Climate and Technology Branch, UN Environment Program Mr Tim Gould, Head of Division, Energy Supply and Investment Outlooks, International Energy Agency Q&amp;A</p>
16:00	End of day 1	

## Friday, 26 March 2021

Time	Agenda item	Speakers/Panellists
10:00	<b>Item 5: Implementation of the current work plan (2020-2021) <i>continued</i></b> Sustainable production and consumption of gas and LNG in the ECE region.	<p><i>Moderators:</i> Mr Torstein Indrebø, Vice-chair, Group of Experts on Gas Mr Boris Makšijan, Vice-chair, Group of Experts on Gas</p> <p><i>Panellists:</i> Mr Dmitry Sokolov, Head of Energy Economics and Forecasting Department, GECF Mr Johan Sandberg, Head of Business Development, Aker Offshore Wind Operating Company AS, Norway Mr Amir Foster, Executive Director, Association of Oil and Gas Exploration Industries, Israel Mr Andrew Walker, VP Strategy, Cheniere, United States Q&amp;A</p>
11:00	<b>Item 5: Implementation of the current work plan (2020-2021) <i>continued</i></b> Update on the project “Improving capacities of the UNECE member States to decarbonize the transport sector by increasing the use of natural gas as a motor fuel”	<p>Moderator: Mr Francisco de la Flor García, Chair, Group of Experts on Gas</p> <p>Keynote: Mr Anton Inyutsin, Deputy Minister of Energy, Russian Federation (invited)</p> <p>Panellists: Mr Vasily Zinin, NGV Russia Mr Jens Andersen, Secretary General, NGVA Europe (invited) Ms Nadejda Khamrakulova, UNECE Q&amp;A</p>
12:00	Lunch break	
14:00	<b>Item 6: Presentation of results and recommendations of the project “Pathways to Sustainable Energy”</b>	Ms Iva Brkic, UNECE Mr Vladimir Budinsky, Vice-chair, Group of Experts on CES
14:15	<b>Item 7: Emerging issues and work plan for 2022-2023</b>	Mr Francisco de la Flor, Chair, Group of Experts on Gas
15:00	<b>Item 8: Update on activities in United Nations Economic Commission for Europe member States, the gas industry and organizations (<i>tour de table</i>)</b>	All Mr Yusuf Usman, COO Gas & Power, NNPC, Nigeria
15:30	<b>Item 9: Preparations for the ninth session of the Group of Experts</b>	Mr Francisco de la Flor, Chair, Group of Experts on Gas
15:40	<b>Item 10: Any other business</b>	Mr Francisco de la Flor, Chair, Group of Experts on Gas
15:50	<b>Item 11: Adoption of conclusions and recommendations</b>	Mr Francisco de la Flor, Chair, Group of Experts on Gas
15:55	<b>Item 12: Adoption of the report</b>	Mr Francisco de la Flor, Chair, Group of Experts on Gas
16:00	Close of the session	