

,Quo vadis' gas market regulatory framework – study on gas market design for Europe

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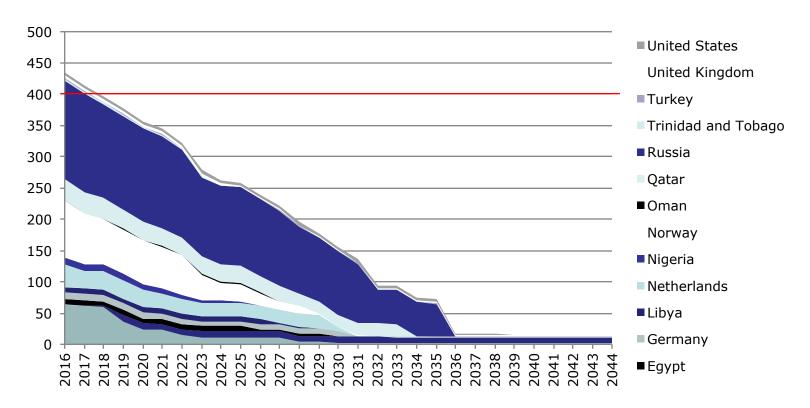
Background and purpose

- Starting point 2016 with observable trends
 - LTC (capacity, commodity) contract expiry
 - Increased import dependency
 - Improved market integration but...
- <u>Objective</u>: Analyse whether current regulatory framework is the most effective in order to maximise overall EU welfare
- Provide recommendations for <u>potential</u> changes



Long-term commodity contracts show a quasi linear decrease until 2036 and beyond

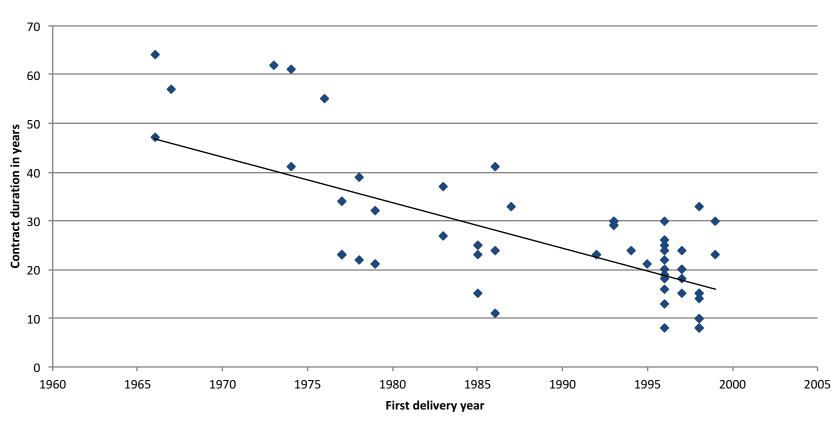
Development of long-term commodity contracts (bcm) – *initial analysis*



Source: CEDIGAZ, DG ENER analysis



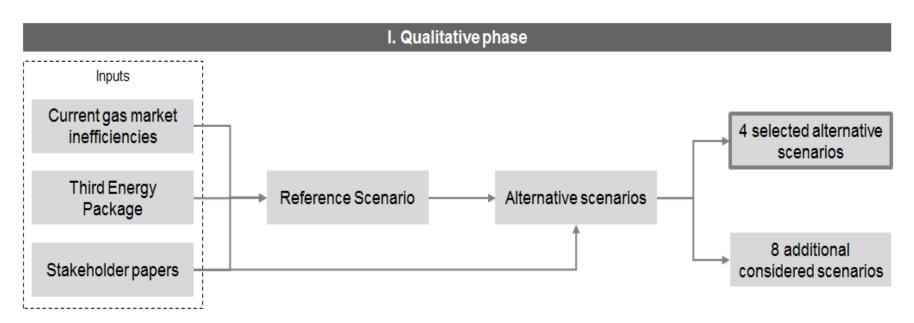
Contract duration of LTCs via pipeline in Europe



Source: Cedigaz, DG ENER analysis and illustration



Analytical approach

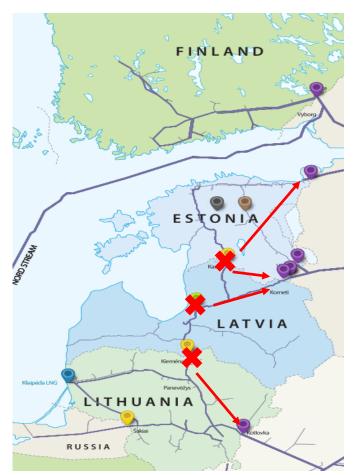


Source: EY/REKK



Tariff Reform Scenario

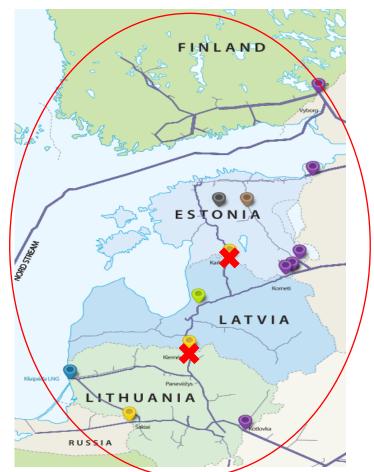
- Intra-EU border tariffs set to zero
- Gas storage entry/exit tariff set to zero
- Harmonised EU entry/exit tariff





Trading zone merger

- Merging of existing market zones with suitable network topology
- Reduction in contractual congestion and location spreads, increase in liquidity





Conditional market merger

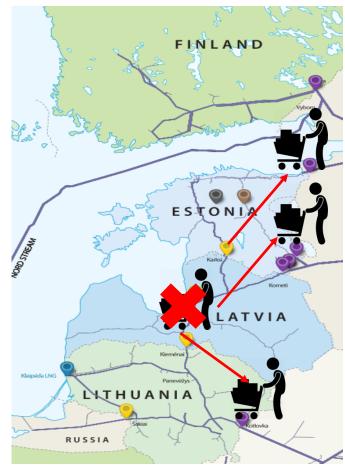
- Merger of neighbouring zones separated by transmission capacities
- Single price as long as transmission capacity is available
- Gap in TSO revenues collected in higher tariffs at non-merged borders





LTC gas delivered at EU border/hub

- Intra-EU delivery point or delivery point beyond first hub dismissed from the LTC on gas supply from outside of the EU
- Gas delivery at the EU border or ,entry hub'
- Strengthening of upstream competition by widening the market





Next steps

- Next draft (phase 1) expected early December
- First modelling results (phase 2) early December
- 3rd Stakeholder workshop (13.12 in Brussels)
- Possibility for stakeholder feedback until 12 January
- Final study to be delivered in Q1 2018 will contribute to policy discussion but will not provide all answers; nor will it be immediate blueprint for action

QV stakeholder discussion will continue in the course of 2018