





## MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND TRADE OF HUNGARY

Third Stakeholder Seminar of the EU Strategy for the Danube Region,

Priority Area 2 "To encourage more sustainable energy"

## "LNG - Dream or Reality for the Danube Region?"

26<sup>th</sup> May 2016

Permanent Representation of Hungary, 92-98 Rue de Trèves, 1040 Brussels

#### **AGENDA**

09:00-9:40 REGISTRATION (Brussels, Permanent Representation of Hungary)

The event is chaired by **Eliska Gerthnerova**, National Coordinator of the European Union Strategy for the Danube Region, Office of the Government of the Czech Republic

#### 09:40-10:00 Opening Remarks

- **Tibor Stelbaczky**, Ambassador, Deputy Permanent Representative, Permanent Representation of Hungary to the EU
- **Jakub Dürr**, Ambassador, Deputy Permanent Representative, Permanent Representation of Czech Republic to the EU

#### 10:00-10:30 Keynote Speech

- Christopher Jones, Deputy Director-General, DG ENER
- Andrea Beatrix Kádár, Deputy State Secretary for Energy, Hungary

### 10:30-12:00 Session 1: EU LNG strategy – Does one size fit all?

The EU published its LNG and gas storage strategy on 16 February with the main conclusion that the creation of liquid and competitive markets to enable LNG is indispensable to achieving a real Energy Union. The document also stated that while some member states already enjoy mature and liquid gas markets, Central and South-Eastern Europe remains heavily reliant a single supplier and exposed to supply disruptions. This session is intended to discuss how the Danube Region could be integrated to the global gas market by gaining access to the LNG sources.

- **Péter Kaderják,** Director, Regional Centre for Energy Policy Research (REKK)
- Alexandros Yannis, Energy Diplomacy Coordinator, European External Action Service
- Karolina Cegir, Gas Expert, Energy Community
- Ms. Rocio Prieto, Co-chair CEER LNG Task Force

Moderated by **Pál Ságvári,** Ambassador-At-Large for Energy Security of Hungary, Priority Area Coordinator for Energy of the Danube Region Strategy











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12:30-12:30 **Q&A Session** 12:30-13:30 *Lunch break* 

13:30-15:00 Session 2: What role can the Danube Region play in the LNG-revolution?

Some LNG projects are regarded from a security of supply perspective, some consider them as profitoriented ventures of complex economics, where the involvement of public funding seems inevitable. The recently published LNG strategy of the EU demonstrates that political will for supporting EU-wide LNG initiatives exists. Now it is up to the business sector to identify the missing puzzles in order to make these projects commercially viable. This session intends to determine the key drivers (tariff, well-defined infrastructure projects, regulatory measures, interconnections, etc.) that could further attract the involvement of the private sector in LNG projects.

- Mladen Antunović, Managing Director, LNG Hrvatska
- Enrico Cella, Senior Gas/LNG Origination Manager, Gas Midstream, Energy Management & Optimisation, EDISON
- John Shoobridge, VP Origination and Marketing, Cheniere Energy
- György Harmati, Chief Advisor to the CEO, MVM Ltd.
- Willem Coppoolse, Head of Illiquid Gas Markets Origination, Energy Management & Trading, ENGIE

Moderated by **Bogdan Janicki,** Senior Advisor to the CEO, Central Europe Energy Partners

15:30-15:30 **Q&A Session** 15:30-15:45 *Coffee break* 

15:45-16:15 Extra Session: LNG as an alternative fuel?

Traditionally LNG is not considered to be the main alternative energy source for transportation, even though a number of initiatives have been launched for this purpose. This mini-session presents the following two:

- Henrik Domanovszky, Project Coordinator of PAN-LNG project
- Robert Rafael, Senior Project Manager, Pro Danube Management GmbH

16:15-16:30 Closing remarks and conclusions of the Stakeholder Seminar

• Marketa Rocejdlova, Office of the Government of the Czech Republic

Please RSVP until 19 May, 2016 by emailing <u>Danube-energy@mfa.gov.hu</u>. The language of the event is English.

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