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## **Repurposing of the European gas grids**

### **Introduction by new [redacted], [redacted]**

Dear Commissioner Breton,

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself as the new [redacted] and **I would be grateful of the opportunity to meet and speak with you on the framework for the repurposing of the gas grids to hydrogen and on the role of TSOs and ENTSG in the energy transition.**

ENTSG and the gas TSOs have, as owners and operators of the gas transmission system, delivered a well-planned and efficient functioning of gas markets, improved security of gas supply and stronger technical cooperation between all EU gas transmission systems. The TSOs have been instrumental in operating the gas system safely and at reasonable costs to the consumer. Now, we are planning for making the gas system "Fit for 55". In our "[ENTSG 2050 Roadmap for Gas Grids](#)", we outlined how our networks can be adapted and developed to achieve EU Green Deal goals. These values are at the core of our work, which we manage in constant dialogue with multiple stakeholders, i.e., under the **Clean Hydrogen Alliance Transmission and Distribution Round Table and via ENTSG's Advisory Panel for Future of Gas Grids.**

A fundamental principle for the efficient development of EU-wide hydrogen infrastructure is the development of a **viable regulation to encourage investment, open and transparent access to the infrastructures** and to hydrogen and biomethane markets. Also, we are working on smartening the gas grids in planning and operations for the (bio)methane and hydrogen pathways and combination thereof, based on the regional conditions. Furthermore, ENTSG is working on how to materialise the synergies between existing gas grids and future hydrogen grids, enabling the development of such infrastructure in the economically, technically and regulatorily most efficient manner. **We work on those aspects with users of the existing gas networks and with all parts of the emerging hydrogen value chain.**

I would like to suggest a meeting with you to discuss this exciting period for EU energy infrastructure in more detail at your earliest convenience. Members of the ENTSG team will be in contact to check the necessary arrangements for such a meeting.

Yours sincerely,

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