Cabinet SIMSON - Minutes of Meeting

MEETING CONCLUSIONS

Title	Meeting with ENAGAS CEO
Date	12/01/2023
Participants	Ext: Arturo Gonzalo Azpiri,
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	The main reason for the meeting was to discuss the State of Play of the H2Med project (formerly called 'BarMar'), an interconnection project for hydrogen infrastructure between Portugal, Spain and France. A submission for PCI status was made by the 4 gas transmission operators: Enagás (Spain), GRTgaz and Terega (France), REN (Portugal). The project was also supported at the level of Leaders in the presence of the Commission President in the Alicante summit on 8/9 December 2022. Enagas reported on the different steps that are being taken by them and the other TSOs, in particular as regards preliminary feasibility studies. In this regard, Enagas also asked on the possibility to align the timing of these studies with the one being carried out by the Southern Europe TEN-E Group. Finally, there was also a discussion on the possibility of organising a Ministerial of the 3 MS involved to restate the commitment to improve energy interconnections.