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 European Commission
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Subject: Invitation to speak – 4th Member States' Gas Forum (23 June 2015, 14:30)

Dear Mr. Commissioner,

On behalf of GasNaturally, bringing together 6 associations and more than 150 companies representing the entire gas chain, I am writing to invite you to give the opening speech of our 4th annual Member States' Gas Forum, on 23 June 2015 at 14:30.

GasNaturally's Member States' Gas Forum provides a unique discussion platform gathering the Member States' representatives with commission, industry and academics to discuss burning issues of EU energy policy and the way gas can help achieve these policies' objectives. Last year, under the patronage of the Hellenic presidency, 19 Member States were represented to discuss the 2030 Climate & Energy Framework along with Mr Ristori and Ms Wörsdörfer.

This year's edition will look closely at the way in which natural gas can contribute to each of the Energy Union's dimensions, but also at the way natural gas and renewables can partner together to help achieve the EU's climate and environmental objectives and strengthen the resilience of our energy system.

The Member States' Gas Forum has a tradition of being held under the patronage of ongoing Council Presidencies; once again, this year we will have the honour of the Latvian Presidency' patronage.

We would be delighted should you accept to deliver the event's opening speech, to share with us your views on the next steps of the Energy Union project and what you believe the role of gas and renewables will be in this endeavour.

We will be in touch with your office in the coming days to follow-up on this invitation and provide you with additional details about the event's programme and schedule. Please do not hesitate to contact us should you have any questions.

Best regards,



Chairman, GasNaturally

GasNaturally is an initiative bringing together 6 associations representing the entire gas chain and aiming to showcase the importance of natural gas in the forthcoming transformation of the EU energy system. The members of GasNaturally include: International Oil and Gas Producers (IOGP), Eurogas, Gas Infrastructure Europe (GIE), International Gas Union (IGU), GERG and MARCOGAZ.