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Dear President Juncker,

Ahead of the upcoming European Council meeting, during which you will address the climate change challenges, the International Association of Oil & Gas Producers (IOGP) would like to share with you the attached letter, which outlines the practical steps our industry offers to help reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

Yours sincerely,

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Mr. Jean-Claude Juncker
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Brussels, 19 March 2019

Subject: IOGP's input to the European Council meeting

Dear President Juncker,

At the next European Council meeting you will provide further guidance on the overall direction and political priorities related to climate change, to enable the European Union to submit a long-term strategy by 2020 in line with the Paris Agreement.

The International Association of Oil & Gas Producers (IOGP) welcomed the Paris Agreement as an important global step in addressing climate change and its challenges. Its member companies produce over 80% of the EEA's oil and gas.

Our industry can contribute to the goal of reducing greenhouse gas emissions while providing affordable energy to European households and businesses. Here is how you can enable this.

Keep domestic oil & gas production, jobs and government revenues in Europe:

- Europe's own oil & gas resources supply 50% of the EU's gas and 25% of its oil demand. Recent discoveries in the North Sea and Mediterranean show that large resources remain. They should be made accessible to all EU regions.
- The oil & gas industry supports 1.1 million direct and indirect jobs in Europe.
- Taxation of oil & gas products brings in around €420 billion on average per year to Europe's economy, equivalent to around 2.7% of EU GDP.

Provide affordable energy to Europeans:

- 54 million Europeans suffer from energy poverty and struggle to keep warm.
- Electricity is on average 4 times more expensive per kWh than gas (Eurostat).
- Choose a smart mix of energy sources over excessive electrification, which would raise costs for citizens and jeopardize the competitiveness of EU businesses.

Use our industry's solutions to reduce EU emissions now:

- A coal to gas switch in power generation would halve CO₂ emissions and virtually eliminate air pollutants. Coal still accounts for 70% of the power sector's emissions.

- Low-carbon liquid fuels, hydrogen, LNG and compressed gas in road and maritime transport.
- Oil & gas-based petrochemicals feedstock for insulation and lubricants for wind turbines

Support the uptake of future direct emission reduction technologies called for by the Commission's Long-Term Strategy and the IPCC in its 1.5 C° report.

- Carbon Capture Use and Storage (CCUS) will help industries vulnerable to carbon leakage (steel, cement, refining, chemicals) retain their competitiveness in a carbon-neutral Europe.
- Hydrogen from reformed natural gas and CCS in heating, transport and power generation.
- Supporting these technologies in the debates on sustainable finance and financial mechanisms such as InvestEU, Horizon Europe, Cohesion Funds.

I encourage you to consider these points while finalizing your National Energy and Climate Plan. Tackling climate challenge while meeting EU citizen's needs for affordable energy will require a smart combination of low-emission energy sources, tailored to each Member State.

Yours sincerely,




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