

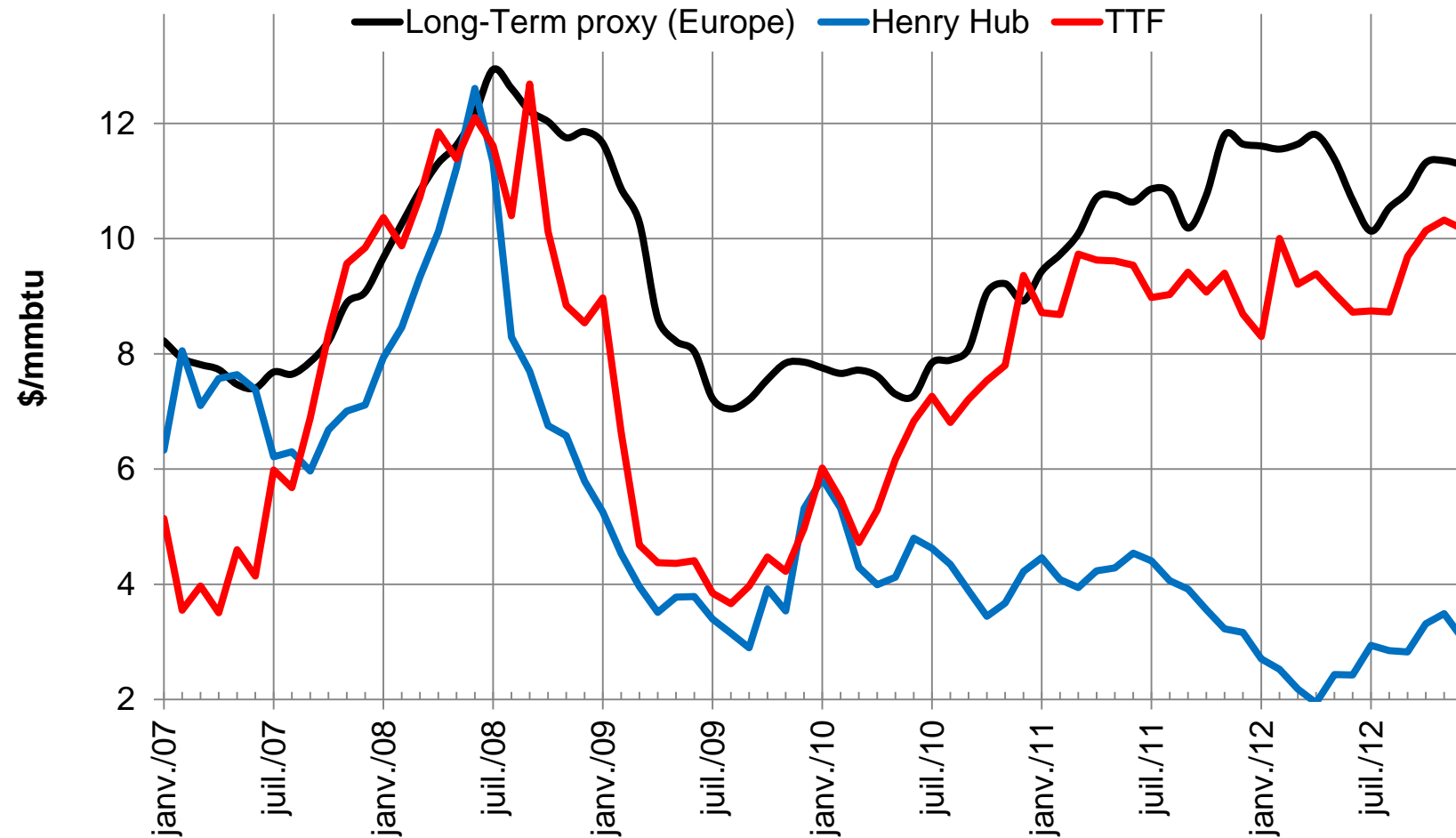
TWENTY-THIRD MEETING OF THE EUROPEAN GAS REGULATORY FORUM

IFIEC-Cefic position
Progress of the IEM in gas

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Gas prices development



How can End Consumers obtain more competitive gas prices ?

- Short term
 - Fast implementation of the 3rd Energy Package.
 - Target of implementation by 2014 should not be postponed
 - Implementation should take place in all Member States. Needs close follow up by ACER and NRA's.
 - There is no logic anymore that gas price should be linked to oil. Gas price should be defined by supply/demand balance and not by oil.
- Long Term
 - Encourage exploration and production of shale gas in Europe
 - Construction of more pipelines and LNG terminals in order to secure gas from new sources. This increase competition and security of supplies.