



## **Gas Regional Initiative**

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- **EURELECTRIC welcomes the initiative**, aimed at bringing rapid and tangible progress for a liquid and competitive EU gas market.
- As a representative of large gas users, **EURELECTRIC wishes to be involved** and hopes for concrete progress towards the convergence of gas and electricity markets.
- We appreciate that ERGEG seeks to find solutions ensuring **convergence** of the proposed regional markets to move towards a single EU market.



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**EURELECTRIC hopes for the following issues to be adequately addressed:**

- **Maximisation of use of existing EU infrastructure; Investment in critical cross-border pipelines/ storage capacity/ new LNG terminals**
- **Non-discriminatory access to upstream pipelines (coming from outside the EU)**
- **Transparency in relation to network access and operation**
- **Non-discriminatory access to storage**
- **Identification of missing or different implementation of Gas Directive and Regulation/ Guidelines with negative impact on trading**
- **Harmonisation of balancing mechanisms**
- **Harmonisation of day-by day procedures for cross-border trade**