

# The image of gas: a view from the EU European Gas Conference, Vienna 31st January 2013 François-Régis Mouton, Chairman, GasNaturally

#### Who are we?

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## **GasNaturally** brings together:

**GERG** 7 organisations

**133** companies in Europe







### A Unified Voice for Natural Gas



#### **Our Mission:**

#### **Communications**

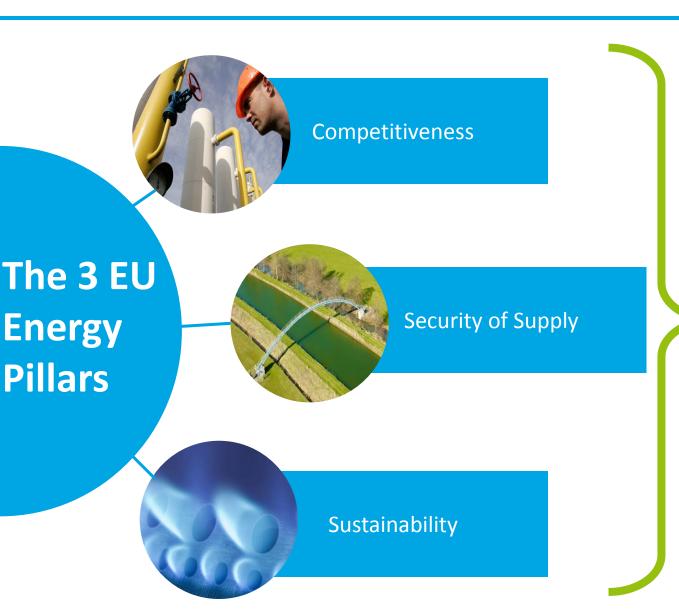
- Feed the policy debate with factual information and data
- Underline the role gas could play in a sustainable energy mix
- Manage perception of natural gas amongst policymakers

#### **Advocacy**

- Emphasise how natural gas helps the EU meet its energy policy objectives
- Help policymakers formulate a clear vision for the future
- Secure a policy framework able to deliver that vision

## Gas and the 3 EU Energy Policy Objectives





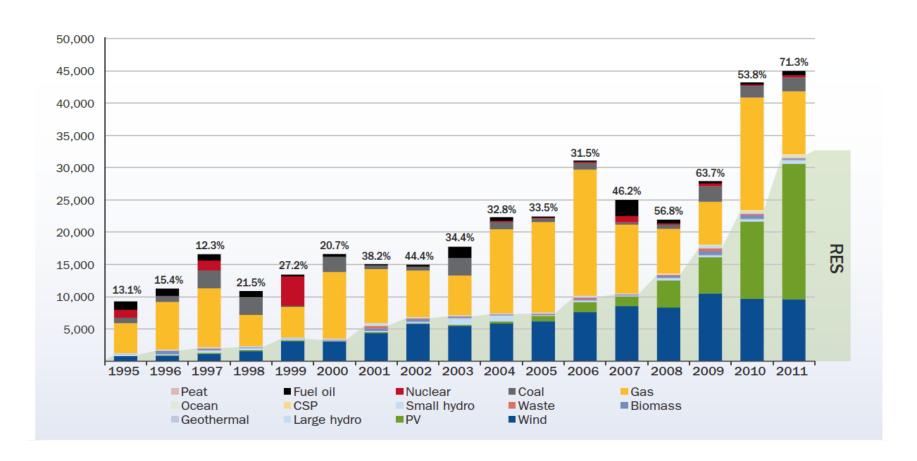
Gas is an adequate answer to these issues

#### Focus on the Gas & Power sector



EU INSTALLED POWER GENERATING CAPACITY PER YEAR IN MW AND RES SHARE (%)

FIGURE 2.1

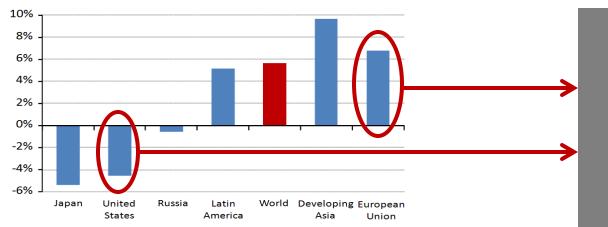


## No longer a question, but a must: Gas industry has to deal with high investments in renewable

## What Consequences on Emissions?

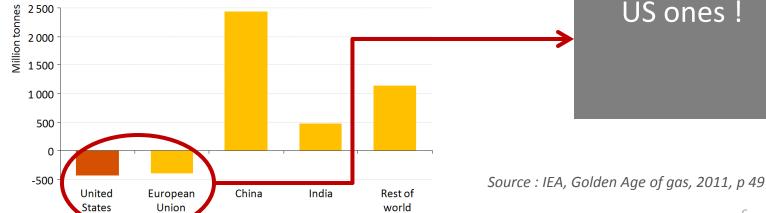






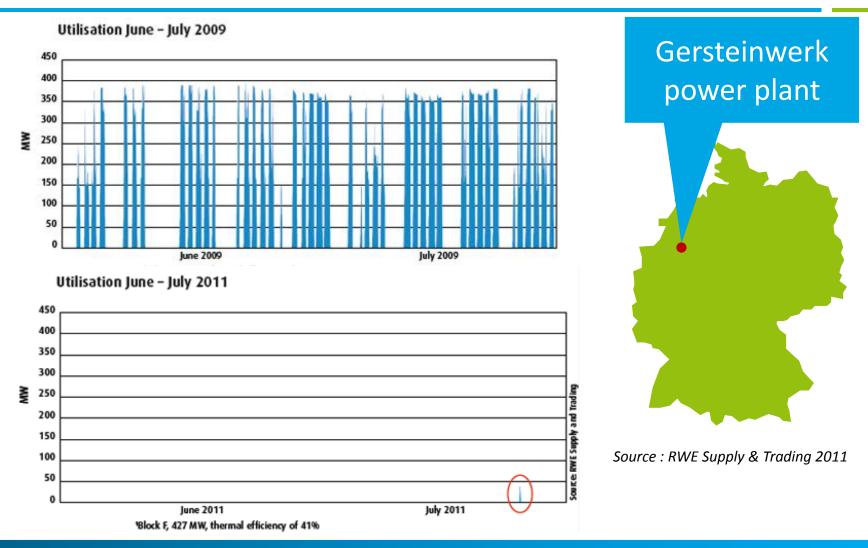
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policies are
now less
effective than
US ones!

Global
CO<sub>2</sub>
emissions
Growth
2006-2011



## What consequences on Gas Power plants?





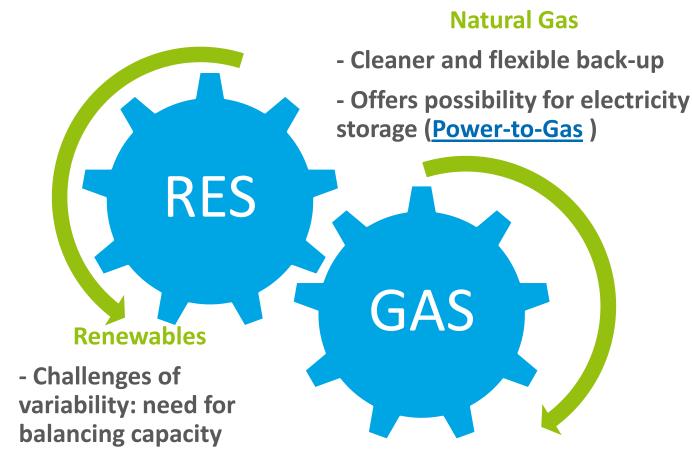
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Among other, need of reshuffling the power market design

#### The Solution:

#### 905 naturally making a clean future real

## A Natural Gas and Renewables Partnership



#### What is needed:

A clear view on post-2020 energy and climate policy to provide the right incentives and competitive pressure on the market

No longer a question, but a must: Gas has now to displace coal in the EU

## Changing the mindsets



"Gas will remain critical for the transformation of the energy system. Substitution of coal (and oil) with gas in the short to medium term could help to reduce emissions with existing technologies until at least 2030 or 2035".

Commissioner Oettinger at the Energy Dialogue Russia- EU, 27 April 2012

#### Perception of gas has improved... But issues remain

« Gas is the cleanest fossil fuel"

« Security of supply is less of an issue thanks to diversification of sources "

« Gas-fired power plants bring efficiency and flexibility into EU grids"

« More gas can help restore the competitiveness of EU industry" « Gas is still A fossil fuel »

« Exploring Shale Gas in the EU is questionable »

« Gas is only a transition fuel »

« To avoid a gas 'lock-in', priority should be given to renewables investments »

## The Way Ahead for Natural Gas? (1/2)



2013

#### Gas, the fuel of reason

2035

- Replacing coal in power generation, Gas for mid & base load and backing up variable renewables
- Gas for heating, hot water & transport (LNG for shipping, gas for fleet, etc)
- Diversifying supplies: New investment in gas infrastructure, incl.
   Southern corridor and new LNG sources
- Further deployment and integration of renewables in the energy system
- R&D investment in renewables, energy efficiency, gas technologies (Power to Gas, ...) and CCS.

## The Way Ahead for Natural Gas? (2/2)



2035

#### Gas, part of the solution

2050

- Gas for mid & base load and back up for variable renewables
- Further deployment of variable renewables
- Power-to-Gas: The gas grid stores and transports excess renewable energy
- Help decarbonisation of EU power sector generation
- CCS wide scale deployment (subject to technology breakthroughs & public acceptance)

## « Making A Clean Future Real! »



Partnership

**Flexibility** 

Innovation

Diversification

Certainty

**Incentives** 

## GasNaturally calendar for 2013



21<sup>st</sup> of Jan

05<sup>th</sup> of March 23<sup>th</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> of April

13<sup>th</sup> of Nov

## GasNaturally Roundtable

European Parliament

Gas Security of Supply

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European Parliament

Technology & innovation

#### **Gas Week**

European Parliament

Competitiveness, Sustainability, Security of Supply

+ infrastructure & gas utilisation, Power, Industry

# Gas Member State Forum

Under Lithuanian Presidency Patronage











