

Priorities for the EU Gas Industry

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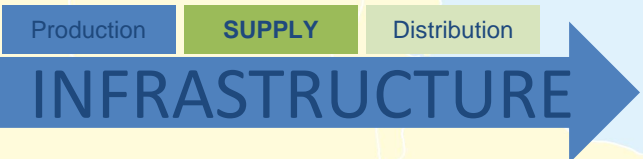
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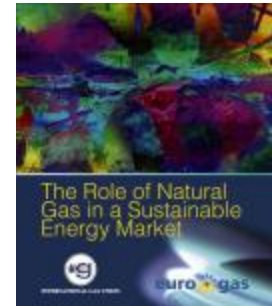
Eurogas Members

- 35 Companies
- 12 National Associations
- 2 International Associations



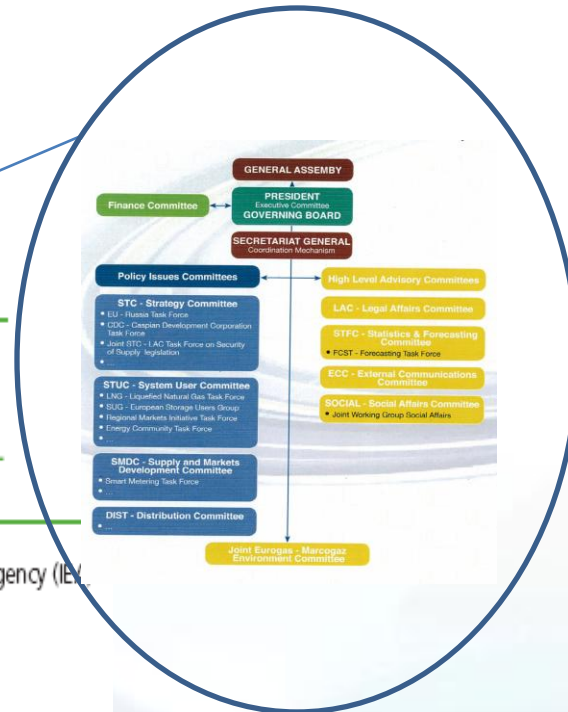
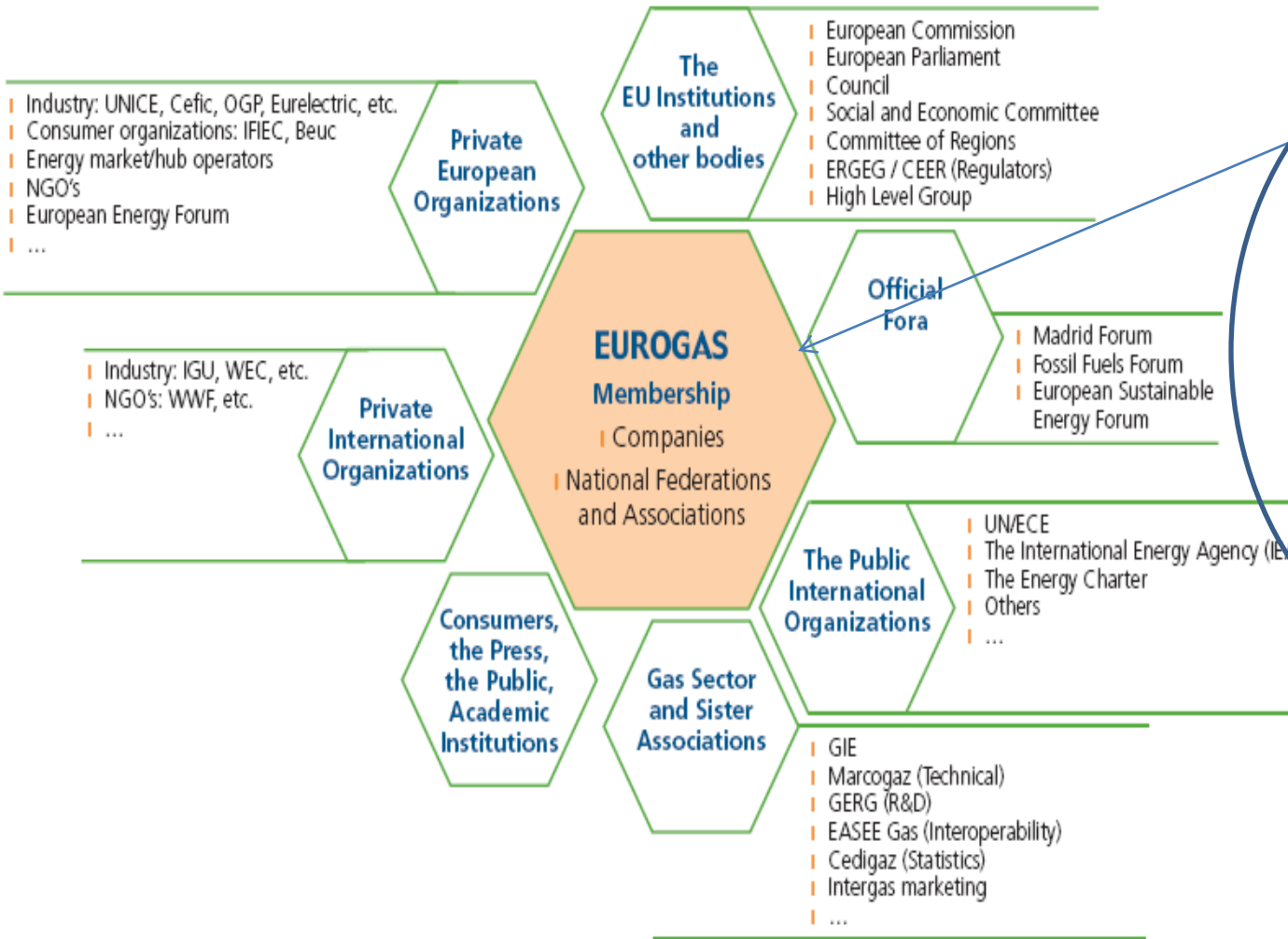
2. What we do

- Provide early stage input and advice to EU energy policy makers
 - Commission-led forums (Madrid, London, Bucharest, Berlin)
 - Provide expertise to Commission and Parliament staff
- Industry voice and contacts on Gas Coordination Group
- Industry analysis and comment on detailed legislative drafts
- EU Social Dialogue for Natural Gas



3. How we work

Eurogas company representatives are key to the process



4. Some Current Priority Issues

- **Internal market : Framework Guidelines and Network Codes**
- **Energy markets and financial regulation**
- **Infrastructure**
- **External Energy Policy**
- **2050 Energy Roadmap**
- **Consultation on Revised Energy Services Directive**

The gas industry calls for a more positive European policy role

- European energy policies should facilitate and support the decisions and the financing of large future investments. **A stable and transparent legal and regulatory framework is needed to support the necessary investments .**
- European energy policy should support the market dynamics that will help ensure the **attractiveness of Europe in a competing global market.**
- Policy should recognize that it is the **responsibility of companies to secure gas supplies** but it is essential that their commercial activity is supported by sound political relations, in bilateral and most importantly European dialogue with producing and transit countries.
- Policy should recognize the significant **potential of gas in protecting the climate by** favouring a framework which promotes competition between technologies and energy sources, and prioritizes a cost-effective route to climate protection and efficiency enhancement measures.
- **Research** framework programmes should aim at enhancing the potential of gas/renewables hybrid schemes, gas-fired energy efficiency applications, and natural gas vehicles.

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