

## Better access to European LNG terminals

Online workshop

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### Speaker bios

#### **Lukasz Lisicki – Policy Officer at European Commission DG ENER**

A master graduate of the Centre for Europe at the University of Warsaw and Warsaw School of Economics. Participant of the International Visitor Leadership Program (IVLP) in the field of energy security and innovation organised by the US Department of State.

He gained professional experience working as a consultant in the field of regulatory and investment risks and public affairs advisory for the energy companies. He used to work at the EU Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators (ACER) as well as at the Polish Ministry of Energy in the Oil and Gas Department. In 2016-2018, he was the energy attaché at the Permanent Representation of Poland to the European Union in Brussels. Currently he works at the European Commission, Directorate-General for Energy.

#### **Peter Kotek – Senior Research Associate at REKK**

Péter Kotek graduated in 2009 at the Corvinus University of Budapest as an economist, majoring in market analysis. He joined REKK in the same year as a research associate. From 2015, he is working as a senior research associate. His areas of interest are ancillary services market in electricity, LNG, and gas storage markets. He has participated actively in REKK's gas market modelling work since 2015.

#### **Dr Katja Yafimava – Senior Research Fellow at the Oxford Institute for Energy Studies**

Dr Katja Yafimava is a Senior Research Fellow on the Natural Gas Research Programme at the OIES. She holds a DPhil in Geography and an MPhil in Russian and East European Studies from Oxford University. Her main research areas include EU pipeline gas and LNG regulation, regulation of decarbonisation, transit security of Russian gas exports to Europe. She is the author of *The Transit Dimension of EU Energy Security* (OUP 2011). She is also the author of many papers on regulation, including 'Building New Gas Transportation Infrastructure in the EU – what are the rules of the game?' (2018), 'Finding a home' for global LNG in Europe: understanding the complexity of access rules for EU import terminals' (2020), and 'EU hydrogen strategy: regulatory opportunities and challenges' (2020).

#### **Rocío Prieto González – Gas Managing Director at the Spanish Regulator, Comisión Nacional de los Mercados y la Competencia, CNMC in Madrid**

Rocío Prieto is the Gas Managing Director in the Spanish Regulator, CNMC, where she has been working in several positions since 2000. In addition, she is responsible of the hydrocarbons market supervision. She chairs the CEER LNG Task Force and the South Gas Regional Initiative of ACER.

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Rocío is a Mining Engineer (Energy) from Oviedo University (Spain). She also holds a Management degree (PDD) from IESE (University of Navarra). She worked previously, among other energy companies, in the Operation Department of Enagas, Spanish gas TSO.

#### **Doug Wood - Chair of Gas Committee at European Federation of Energy Traders (EFET Industry Association)**

Doug has been involved in liberalising gas markets in Europe since 1991 and has held operational, commercial, regulatory, and external affairs positions in energy companies in retail, trading, and production and supply. Most recently he served as Head of Regulatory Affairs for BP's gas business in Europe, before setting up a company providing freelance regulatory consulting services.

#### **Arno Bux – GLE President, Chief Commercial Officer of Fluxys Group and Fluxys Belgium**

Arno Bux has been Chief Commercial Officer of Fluxys Group and Fluxys Belgium since autumn 2015. He oversees all commercial activities of Fluxys, both regulated and non-regulated as well as assists business development in Europe. Arno Bux holds degrees in Engineering and Business Administration. Before joining Fluxys, he has evolved within the ENGIE Group for 20 years, working in Belgium, France and Luxemburg but mostly contributing to the development of the Group's energy activities in Germany. He held various executive and non-executive management positions in businesses targeting the B2B and B2C commodity markets as well as the gas midstream sector.

#### **László Fritsch – CEO of the Hungarian Gas Trade Ltd**

László Fritsch has been CEO of the Hungarian Gas Trade Ltd since July 2020. He started his career at Shell Gas Hungary and worked for the European audit team of Shell, leading and co-auditing risk based audits for Oil Products in several locations across Europe and especially in London head office. Between 2012 and 2013 he was COO at E.ON Foldgaz Storage Zrt. and between 2013 and July 2020 General Manager and Chairman of the Board at the Hungarian Gas Storage Plc., being responsible for the overall management of the four Hungarian gas storage sites. He holds a MSc degree in mechanical engineering from the Universitatea Tehnică din Cluj-Napoca and a MSc degree in marketing from the Universitatea „Babeş-Bolyai” din Cluj-Napoca.

#### **François Leveillé – Seconded National Expert at ACER Agency for Cooperation of European Regulators, Gas Department**

After starting his career in the automotive industry, François Leveillé joined the French Energy Regulator (CRE) in 2007. François first worked on the regulation of gas infrastructure operators at the national level, before participating at the European level in the implementation of the 3rd Energy Package and its network codes from 2012. In 2019, François joined ACER's gas department as a seconded national expert.

#### **Borbála Takácsné Tóth (moderator) – Senior Research Associate at REKK**

Borbála has worked with REKK since its creation in 2004. With REKK she has been leading several international and national consultancy projects, with many using the European Gas Market Model as the primary analytic tool. Her main fields of expertise include regional co-operations, security of supply issues, energy geopolitics, major infrastructure initiatives in the gas sector and incentives for investments, competition cases in the gas market, storage and LNG markets. In 2001 she received an

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M.A. in International Relations and European Studies at the Central European University in Budapest. Borbála was educated as an economist and received her degree from the Budapest University of Economic Sciences in 1998. Before joining REKK she spent 5 years as a civil servant in government administration mostly in the field of energy regulation. Between 2001 and 2003 she was Head of the President's Secretariat responsible for international relations of the Hungarian Energy Office.

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