

# **Energy Security in a Changing World**

#### With special reference to European gas

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### Oil Supply Security and the Middle East



# Global oil market – highly integrated



#### **Key implications**

- 1. No need to secure 'access' to resources
- 2. US does not depend on the Middle East
- China's upstream investment do not reduce our access to the oil market
- 4. Embargoes are never credible
- 5. Supply disruptions are felt by all consumers

#### Oil security is a global public good



# Oil supply has never been so diversified



Data source: BP Statistical Review 2010



#### Middle East = 30% of world oil

#### Middle East Oil Production, 1940-2009



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#### Massive strategic oil stocks



Data source: US DOE/EIA



### High prices limit our dependence...



# Conclusions on oil security



Geopolitical risk is high but we have bought insurance



Biggest risk may be the macroeconomic impact of oil prices UNIVERSITY OF Electricity Policy Research Group

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#### European Gas Supply Security and Russia



### Russian gas: important, not dominant



## Supply diversity is in Western Europe



Data source: BP Statistical Review; Eurostat; National Statistics -- 2008 data

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#### January 2009 -- Greece



#### Demand fully met by LNG – including spot cargoes



# January 2009 -- Bulgaria



Source: Kardejak (2009)

#### 50% of demand left unserved.



# Measuring short-term gas supply security

Gas Supply Balance when Russian Gas not Available



Gas Supply Security Indicator – 1<sup>st</sup> Day of Total Disruption

#### Ex.: Greece in 'N-1' – minimum security





## Greece in 'N-1': maximum security





# Gas security in Russia-dependent EU

#### Range of gas supply security level in "N-1" situation





# Cost of improving security: Estonia



Source: Noel & Findlater, forthcoming



## Supply curve for gas security: Bulgaria



Peak gas consumption insured, cumulated (mcm/day)



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# Security of Supply and the EU "Internal Market"



# The market / security nexus

- Efficient markets increase welfare, including through enhanced security of supply
  - Alternative gas is available in times of crisis
  - Contestability breaks the link between contractual and political 'dependence'
- Two key questions for EU policy makers
  - Are price differences arbitraged?
  - Do people invest in trade-enabling infrastructure?



# NW Europe: the market seems to work



Data source: Bloomberg

- Hub price convergence clear econometric evidence of market integration (Hamsen & Jepma, 2011)
- Role of LNG in price convergence
- UK-Continent integration puts pressure on oilindexation

Source: Spreadsheet sent to PN by Howard Rogers – updated with data from BAFA (German Federal Office for Economics) and Bloomberg



# Still no pan-European gas market

- Huge spreads between West and East not arbitraged
  - No capacity trading in transit pipelines
- EU market design prevents efficient investment?
  - TSOs & National Regulators control large entry-exit zones
  - Impossible to sell LT capacity contracts along specific paths (through entry-exit zones)
  - ...although this is how UK-Continent has been done
- European temptation to subsidise (and politicise) pipeline investment
  - ERGEG study / TYNDP / EU infrastructure package
  - Pipeline investment decisions remain centralised in Europe (within zones, and between zones)
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# Reforming the EU market model?

- Remove long-distance transportation -- into zones and between zones -- from TSO control and E-E pricing
  - European 'interstate' system separate from E-E zones
  - ISOs operating 'European' pipelines
  - Capacity on 'European' pipelines clearly defined, calculated, and sold via tradable long-term contracts
  - Would kick-start a pan-European capacity market
  - Would allow to have *small* zones, reducing inefficiencies
  - Would allow investment decisions to be *decentralised* a key feature of a successful liberalised market
    - Essential to flexibly adapt to rapidly changing supply patterns

