

Gas in a de-carbonising energy system

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... but there's a tough climb still ahead



We made it to the base camp...

Electricity demand: beyond growth?





Gas could becomes a HIGH carbon fuel on a International **Energy Agency** ieą Secure Sustainable 450ppm trajectory

Carbon intensity of power generation in the WEO 450 ppm scenario (ton carbon/MWh)



Together

Capacity to burn coal is slowly disappearing



Surviving coal capacity in EU28 in the APS



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Coal capacity in EU28 NPS and 450ppm



Growth of renewables: a taste of things to come



Share of non-hydro renewables in EU power generation



Gas is needed for around 1000 hours a year in a 450ppm system, but then it is really needed





generation, twh

Electricity in Asia: the taste of things to come



Infrastructure costs favour coal power over gas in Asian energy importers



Coal and gas-fired power investment in Asian markets (2015)



Asian markets comprised 85% of global coal power investment, while N. America and Middle East, with robust infrastructure, favoured gas for new fossil fuel power

Conclusions:



- The role of gas as a 'transition fuel' in Europe might be quite limited.
- Gas will remain essential for balancing (especially seasonal variations)
- Huge electrification needs of developing Asia pose major challenge for the energy industry. Gas has role to play towards environmentally sustainable development.
- High transportation costs for gas (LNG) major barrier to faster penetration of gas in the power sector.



Thank you for your attention!

Low carbon future – what does it hold for fossil fuel investments?



Global fossil-fuel demand by scenario



Gas demand sees growth, while coal & oil decline in a carbon-constrained world, but majority of oil & gas investment is intact due to the natural decline of fields