

# Oil and Gas Conference

11-12 April 2024

Hilton Vienna Plaza, Vienna

Blues Meeting Room

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## Agenda

11 April, Thursday  
14:00 - 18:00 Sessions  
Networking Dinner

12 April, Friday  
09:00 – 13:00 Sessions  
Networking Lunch

JOIN INDUSTRY LEADERS TO SHARE INSIGHT  
AND DISCUSS ENERGY CHALLENGES

Upstream  
Downstream  
Energy Transition

## Confirmed Participation

AGGM Austrian Gas Grid Management

Argus Media

Central European Gas Hub

CMS

DGKV

Energy Community Secretariat

Erste Investment

Gas Connect Austria

Gas Infrastructure Europe

Kambourov & Partners

KPMG

Ministry of Energy of Moldova

Moldovagaz

Open Grid Europe

Reed Smith

RWE Supply & Trading

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Balkan and Black Sea Petroleum Association

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## Topics

### Upstream and Supply

Onshore and offshore exploration and production; Future exploration potential; Investing in new upstream oil and gas projects versus new energies; Tenders for exploration rights; Exploring new opportunities; Upstream players in emerging landscape; Inflation and investment costs. Investing in new upstream oil and gas projects versus new energies; Scenarios for the futures of oil and gas exploration

### Oil and Gas Markets

Global outlook of oil and gas markets; Supply and demand balance; What are the market trends in SE Europe; Growing LNG business in SE Europe; The impact of the war in Ukraine on prices, supplies and re-designing markets; Hubs and hubs trading. Price environment and volatility and impact on traders and investors; Price forecasting; Pipe gas versus LNG supplies; Short medium and long term gas supply contracting; Mixing LNG and pipe gas, long term, middle term and spot gas supply; Gas-to-gas competition and competition for capacities bookings; Gas infrastructure developments; Transformation of SE gas markets with new and multiple sources and infrastructure; Rerouting of gas flows and future sourcing; Projecting gas flows in Europe; The increasing role of regional gas exchanges; PRISMA and RBP capacity platforms for gas flows in CEE, market development and integration; Diversification of supplies and competitive markets development; TSOs and new projects for supply in Europe - East-West and North-South gas supplies options; Investing in LNG re-gasification capacities; Energy Community and new intergovernmental agreements for access to gas capacity in the region; Gas storage for security of supply and trade.

### Legal and Regulatory Framework

Legislative incentives and taxation for facilitating or hindering investments in upstream and downstream industry; Market conditions; Taxation trends; Windfall taxation; Competition laws for competitive markets development; EU initiatives for commodity price regulation; TSOs Tariffication; EU regulatory and competition developments; Regulatory framework for establishing hydrogen infrastructure; Regulatory amendments for ensuring stability clause, increasing transparency and enhancing free gas trade; EU energy legislation update

### Energy Transition and Decarbonisation

Energy plans and energy transition perspective; Decarbonisation strategies; Carbon emissions market. Technology developments for upstream and downstream oil and gas and new energy; Evolution of the energy mix and future of natural gas in the energy transition; Offshore wind potential of the Black Sea; Production of hydrogen from renewables and natural gas; Offshore for energy transition scenarios; P2X and offshore H2; Potential H2 producing regions; CCS; Biomethane; Penetration of renewables and fuel switching.

### Risk Management and Price Hedging

Possibilities to handle price uncertainties and protect businesses in floating prices environment. Hedge strategies and practical approaches.

### Safety and Insurance

Safety standards in oil and gas industry and in energy transition.

### Digitalization and Artificial Intelligence

12:00 - 13:00 Registration and coffee

## Legal and Regulatory Framework

**Kostadin Sirleshtov**, Partner, CMS

**Denitsa Dudevska**, Senior Associate, CMS

*Upstream developments in the Bulgarian Black Sea in the context of the increased interconnectivity*

- Update on the existing upstream licenses and current developments;
- Terms and conditions for the upcoming upstream tenders and applications;
- How the increased interconnectivity provides support for the upstream investments;
- Update on the trading licensing regime and the main stakeholders.

**Christian Filippitsch**, Partner, Reed Smith

**Bernd Rajal**, Partner, Schoenherr

*The new gas package of the European Union*

## Energy Transition and Decarbonisation

**Oliver Altenhoff**, Head of Regulatory Affairs, Open Grid Europe

*Hydrogen in Europe –From regulation to investments and markets. EU regulation and investments in German core grid.*

**Helmut Wernhart**, Head of Department System Access and Capacities, AGGM Austrian Gas Grid Management

*H2 road map for Austria and InGRID for renewable gases*

- The future of the energy system from the AGGM's point of view
- H2 roadmap for the development of the H2 infrastructure in Austria
- Web application: InGRID - Injecting Green Gas into the Grid

**Artur Böröcz**, Director Energy and Utilities, KPMG

## Upstream and Supply

**Valentin Kunev**, Manager, BBSPA

08:00 - 09:00 Registration and Coffee

## Oil and Gas Markets

**Natasha Fielding**, Editor- European Natural Gas, Argus Media

*European gas market update:*

- *Recent key drivers of gas prices and volatility*
- *This summer – gas supply and demand preview*
- *What to expect in winter 2024-25*

**Peter Arp**, Vice-President, Supply and Origination Projects East, Uniper

**Volker Lauer**, Gas Originator, RWE Supply & Trading

*Current Market Conditions for Natural Gas from a Trader's Perspective: Romania, Bulgaria, Hungary and neighboring countries*

**Gottfried Steiner**, CEO, CEGH

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**Tamás Pletser**, EMEA Oil & Gas Analyst, Erste Investment

*Gas consumption development in Hungary and the region and future expectations*

- *The past development of the Hungarian and regional natural gas consumption*
- *Future demand growth in Hungary and CEE: how the energy-intensive industrialization of Hungary add to future demand?*
- *The supply situation: which source can we expect to meet the additional demand?*

**Milan Sedlacek**, Vice-president, GIE

*Contribution of GIE to security of supply and EU gas market in changing energy landscape*

**Predrag Grujicic**, Head of Gas Unit, Energy Community Secretariat