

Oil and Gas Conference

10-11 April 2025

Hotel Vienna Hilton Plaza, Vienna

Blues Meeting Room

Agenda

10 April

13:00 - 15:00 Master Class

15:00 - 19:00 Sessions

Networking Dinner

11 April

09:00 – 13:30 Sessions

Networking Lunch

**JOIN INDUSTRY LEADERS TO SHARE INSIGHT
AND DISCUSS ENERGY CHALLENGES**

Upstream
Downstream
Energy Transition

Upstream and Supply

Onshore and offshore exploration and production; 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 and investment risks; Scenarios for the futures of oil and gas exploration; Replacement of oil and gas resources; New investments to cover demand; Will new investments be enough to cover demand; Black Sea, Mediterranean and Caspian energy supplies; Neptun Deep and Sakarya developments and their switching to the regional markets.

Oil and Gas Markets

Global outlook of oil and gas markets and European gas markets update; 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; Oil and gas prices capping; 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; PRISMA and RBP capacity platforms for gas flows in CEE, market development and integration; Diversification of supplies and competitive markets development; Increasing interconnectivity; Market liberalization; TSOs and new projects for supply in Europe - East-West and North-South gas supplies options; EU Projects of Common Interest; 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; Transformation of SE gas markets with new and multiple sources and infrastructure; EU joint gas purchase; Market environment from traders and investors point of view; Security of supply.

Legal and Regulatory Framework

Legislative incentives and taxation for facilitating or hindering investments in upstream and downstream industry; Taxation trends; 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; Energy Charter Treaty for protection of foreign investments. Dispute resolution.

Energy Transition and Digitalization

Investments in energy transition and regulatory and competition requirements; EU energy policy in the energy sector; Carbon emissions market; Role of hydrogen in decarbonisation; Developing hydrogen infrastructure and markets; Ammonia and production of hydrogen from renewable and natural gas; Case studies and 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; Offshore for energy transition scenarios; P2X and offshore H2; Potential H2 producing regions; CCS; Biomethane; Penetration of renewables and fuel switching; Perspectives on Green Gas Trading; Digitalization in the energy business; Digital twins; Role of AI; Role of digitalization in energy

Risk Management and Price Hedging

Possibilities to handle price uncertainties and protect businesses in floating prices environment; Hedge strategies and practical approaches; State risk hedging in hydrogen project development

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13:00 - 14:00 Registration and coffee
14:00 - 18:30 Sessions

Upstream and Supply

Gabor Tari, Group Chief Geologist, OMV
Update on Black Sea gas exploration and production
- Ongoing exploration, appraisal and development efforts
- Exploration and production acreage dynamics
- Future trends of finding gas in the Black Sea

Kostadin Sirleshtov, Partner, CMS
Bulgaria's upstream focus in the regional context
- Shell's successful bid for Block 1-26 Han Tervel offshore Bulgaria and the next steps;
- OMV Petrom's farm-out with NewMed Energy for Block 1-21 Han Asparuh offshore Bulgaria and the exploration plans;
- Bulgaria's upstream developments in the regional context;
- Regulatory developments supporting the potential new discoveries in the Bulgarian part of the Black Sea.

Energy Transition and Digitalization

Bernd Rajal, Partner, Schoenherr
Austria: Hydrogen Market Regulation on the horizon

Oliver Altenhoff, Head of Regulatory Affairs, OGE
Energy transition and hydrogen grids

15:30 - 16:00 Coffee

Serhat Uludag, Member of the Board of Advisors, FlexyWatt
Flexibility and role of natural gas in energy transition

Legal and Regulatory Session

Agis Georgiades, Partner, CGA
Dispute Resolution after ECT

Christian Filippitsch, Partner, Reed Smith

19:30 Networking Dinner

08:00 - 09:00 Coffee

09:00 - 13:30 Sessions

Oil and Gas Markets

Natasha Fielding, Editor, European Natural Gas, Argus

European gas market update

-Recent price trends

-Outlook for summer 2025

Gottfried Steiner, CEO, Central European Gas Hub

CEE Gas and Green Gas Markets: Status and Trends in 2025

Manfred Cadez, Senior Sales Manager Sales Transmission & Distribution, Gas Connect Austria

ACERtain recommendation

-The proposed amendments of CAM NC are already an anticipation on the decarbonisation of the gas and future hydrogen market.

-What are the benefits for the network users?

-How do they contribute to security of supply and what is Gas Connect Austria able to offer?

Volker Lauer, Gas Originator, RWE Supply & Trading GmbH

Developments in CEE from a trader's view

- Aftermath of missing Ukrainian transit flows

- Introduction of a new turnover tax and prolonged regulatory issues in Romania

- Hungarian role in trading in CEE

- Stall in regulatory development in Poland

Tamás Pletser, EMEA Oil & Gas Analyst, Erste Investment

Hungarian gas market changes since the halt of the Ukrainian gas transit

11:00 - 11:30 Coffee

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Matteo Restelli, Development Director, IGI Poseidon

Predrag Grujicic, Head of Gas Unit, Energy Community Secretariat

Valentin Kunev, Manager, BBSPA

Gas Flows in CEE

13:30 Networking Lunch