

Gas Interconnection Poland – Lithuania (GIPL): Backbone of Regional Market Development

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GIPL – What is behind?

- ▶ Integration of the Baltic states into the EU gas market
- ▶ Access to the global LNG market for the Baltic states



- ▶ Diversification of gas supply sources and routes
- ▶ Security of gas supply
- ▶ Enhancement of competition

GIPL – Key facts



Preliminary characteristics:

- ▶ Capacity - 2.3 bcm/y (with possible extension up to 4.5 bcm/y)
- ▶ Length 562 km (351 km – PL, 211 km – LT)
- ▶ Expected costs – 471 mEUR

Upcoming steps:

- ▶ Feasibility study : 2013
- ▶ PCI status : 2013-2014
- ▶ In operation : 2017

Gas import capacities – How much is enough?



► Market size (bcm/y):

	LT	LV	EE	Σ
2011	3.4	1.6	0.6	5.6
2020	2.65	1.75	0.8	5.2

► Import capacities:

- Existing (from Russia)
= Σ 14.8 bcm/y
- Planned (diversified supply) = Σ 10.5 bcm/y

GIPL – Economics



- ▶ Economics (capacity usage) highly depends on other diversification projects
- ▶ External financing (EU financial support) is indispensable and depends on capacity usage
- ▶ Costs allocation between benefiting countries should be foreseen
- ▶ Impact on TSOs tariffs (minimal impact on final consumers must be secured)

GIPL – a way to finish Baltic States isolation

- Developments of the transmission system in Poland include aspects related to EU policies
- Crucial part of broader concepts: **North-South Gas Corridor & BEMIP**
- Number of Interconnection Points and Transmission System Upgrades
- Coordination of the regional infrastructure projects

Setting the stage for the new supply potential

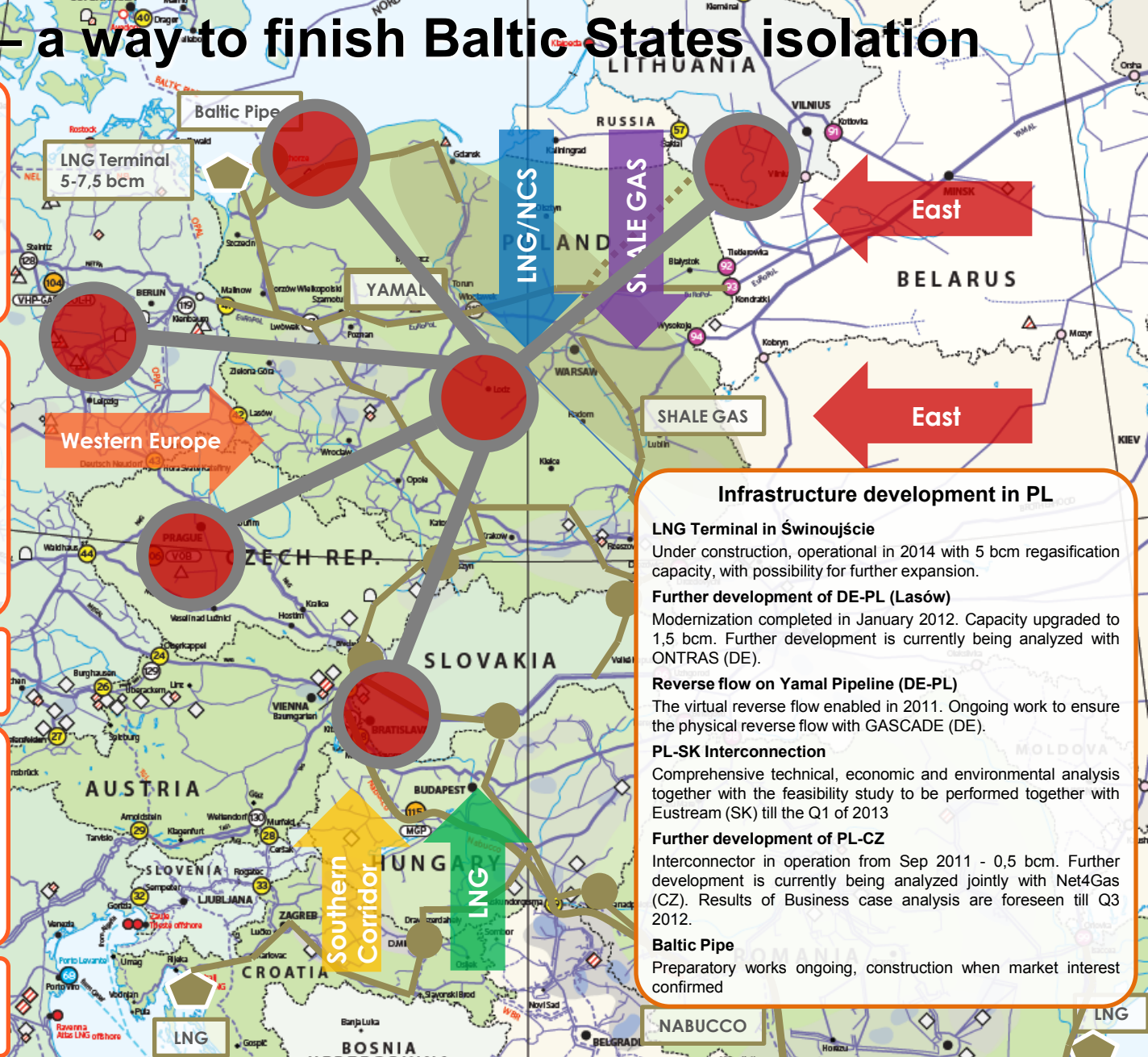
- New European status for the transit Pipelines – **YAMAL**
- New supply projects – **LNG in PL, BALTIC PIPE, LNG in CR, NABUCCO/SOUTHERN CORRIDOR,**
- Spare capacity in existing infrastructure – **BROTHERHOOD**
- New indigenous sources of gas – **SHALE GAS**

Creation of Liquid and Competitive Natural Gas Market in Poland

Integration/Coupling with Adjacent Markets

- Liquid Market Area
- Potential to attract large Players
- Area with many different sources of supply
- Base for future Common Market/Balancing Platform

- BEMIP**
- NORTH-SOUTH**
- DE-PL**



Thank you for your attention!

