

A NEW PHASE OF GAS PRICING IN EUROPE:

TOWARDS MORE HUB INDEXATION AND GLOBAL PRICING

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- A leading global provider of energy, petrochemicals, metals and agriculture information and a premier source of benchmark prices for the physical and futures markets
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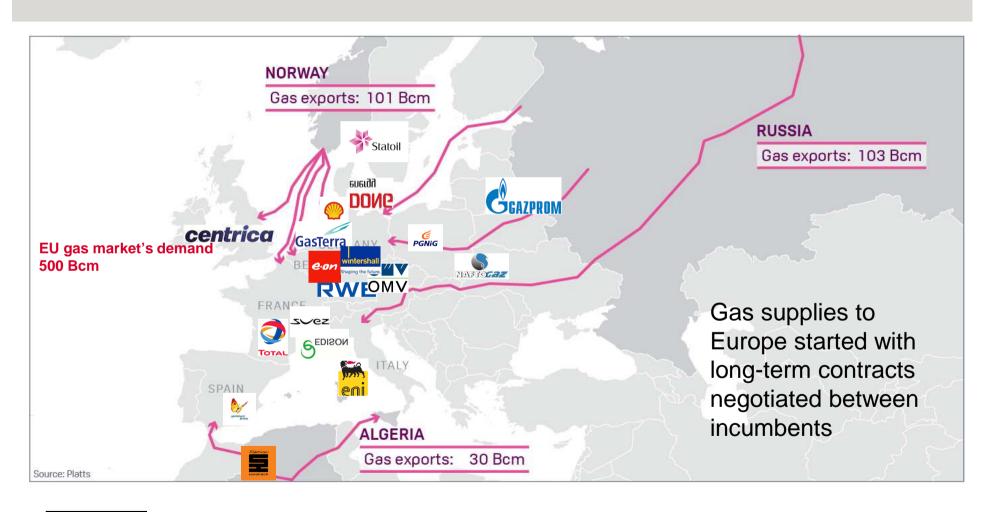




AGENDA

- The wholesale gas market: from bilateral oligopolies to organised market trading
- 2. Oil-indexed gas contracts: reason for changes?
- 3. Pricing the wholesale European gas spot, prompt, forward curve
- 4. Towards global gas price dynamics and shrinking spread between markets?

HISTORY OF EU GAS SUPPLY: OIL-INDEXED LONG-TERM CONTRACTS





RATIONALE FOR LONG-TERM GAS CONTRACTS

Price and Volumetric risk mitigation

A commercial exchange between Buyers and Sellers where Buyers mitigate Price Risk & Sellers mitigate Volumetric Risk

Price Risk: From buyer perspective, it removed the price risk, ie that a non-transparent illiquid gas market would have its price manipulated by few producers.

Volumetric Risk: To supports producers' significant upstream and midstream investments, often in order of tens of billion \$

Traditional contract has a Take-or-Pay obligation for the buyer and a price escalation clause for the seller

OIL-INDEXATION: HOW DOES IT WORK?

• In Europe, oil-indexed formulas have a 3-9 months gap with oil prices



Possible oil products: light heating oil (HEL), heavy heating oil (HSL), gas oil (GO), fuel oil (FO), or Brent

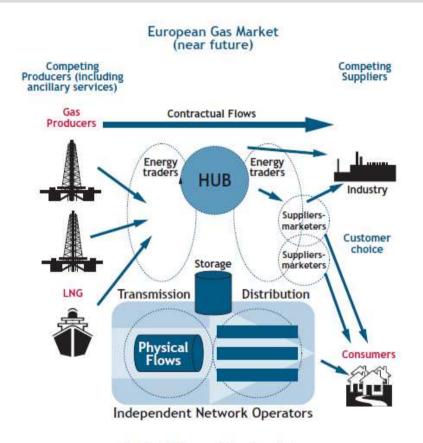
Source: Wingas

Can be classified by three numbers (903, 901, 911, 633, etc.) to indicate:

- N. of months for averaging oil price period
- N of month for the lag
- N. of month for the purchase price period



CHANGING MARKET: FROM OLIGOPOLIES TO ORGANISED OPEN MARKET TRADING



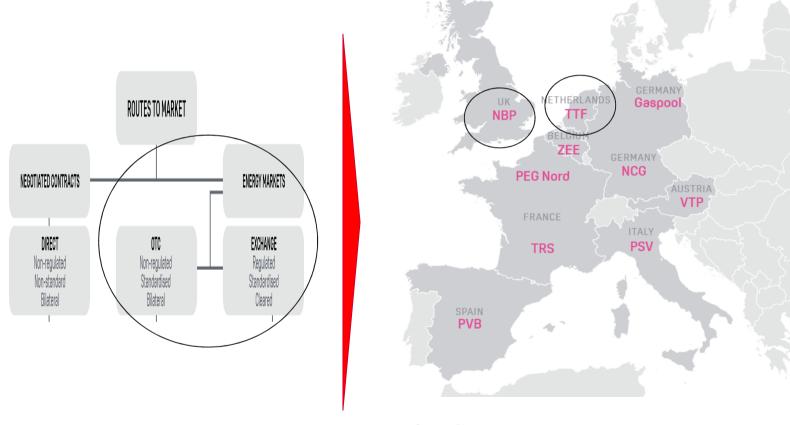
- Hub pricing market emerged as a delivery point of gas entering a system, as opposed to bilateral point-to-point system
- Liberalized market with prices set by market competition (socalled gas-on-gas competition)
- EC as the main driver (Third Energy Package)

Market Prices at Trading Hubs





EUROPEAN GAS HUB MAP

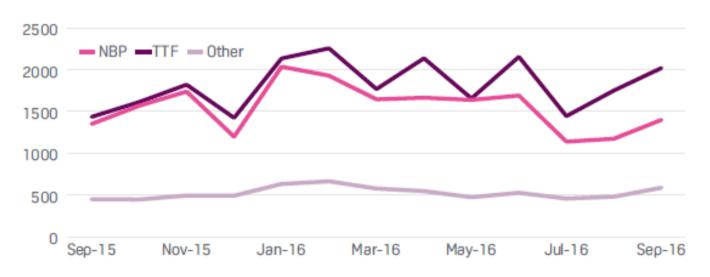






BRITISH NBP AND DUTCH TTF ARE THE MOST LIQUID HUB IN EUROPE

TOTAL TRADED VOLUME: OTC & EXCHANGE (TWh)



Source: Platts analysis of LEBA, ICE, PEGAS, CEGH, GME

OTC MARKET STILL DOMINATES IN EUROPE

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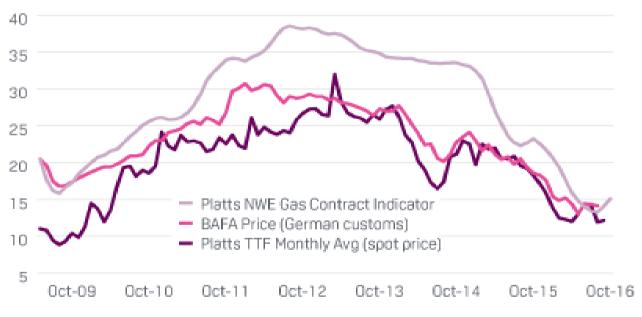
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DE-CORRELATION BETWEEN HUB AND OIL INDEXED PRICES

Buyers with oil-linked gas began to make significant losses post-2008 in Europe due to the collapse of hub prices

LONG-TERM VS SHORT-TERM GAS PRICES (Eur/MWh)



Source: Platts, BAFA

TREND: COMPANIES RENEGOTIATE THEIR LONG-TERM CONTRACTS

Claudio Descalzi, ENI CEO said on Long-term contracts:

""The world has changed -- we have hubs, different kinds of price references. It is not easy and we have a lot of renegotiations to keep the price aligned with the market."

- Platts

TOWARDS MORE HUB INDEXATION IN PRICING LONG-TERM CONTRACTS

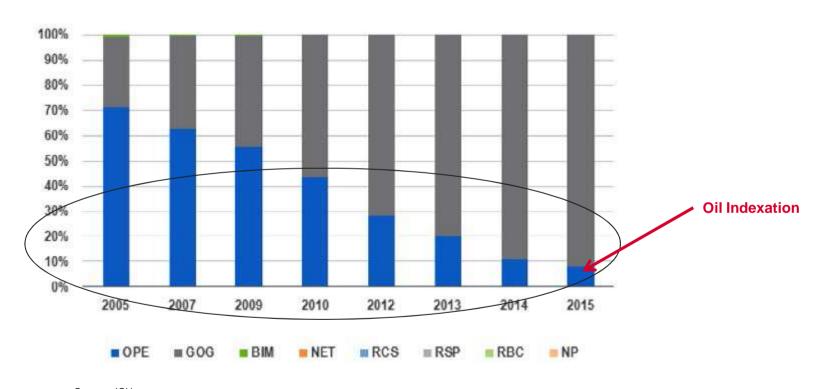
Some examples:

- In 2009, Statoil allows 25% gas spot indexation in majority of contracts for 3 years
- Later Statoil agrees 100% gas spot indexation with Centrica and Wintershall for 10 years
- More recently, Gazprom agreed on a gas price revision based on market price changes in its contracts, with companies including ENI, Engie, RWE, Uniper, GasTerra
- Gazprom has also started some auctions based on market prices since September 2015

OIL-INDEXED CONTRACTS HAVE DECREASED

Russia & Algeria still use oil-indexation; Norway mainly hub-indexed

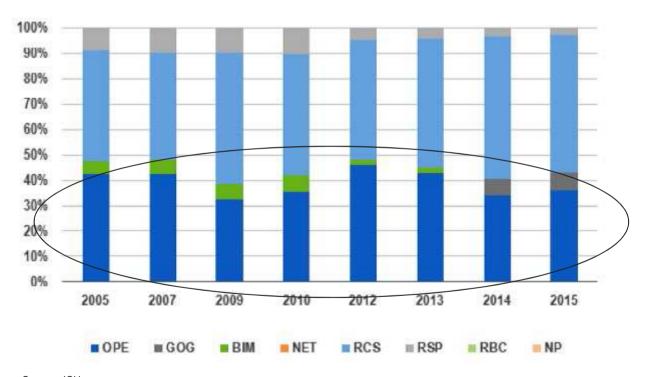
Europe Price Formation 2005 to 2015



Source: IGU

BUT NOT SO MUCH IN SOUTH-EAST EUROPE

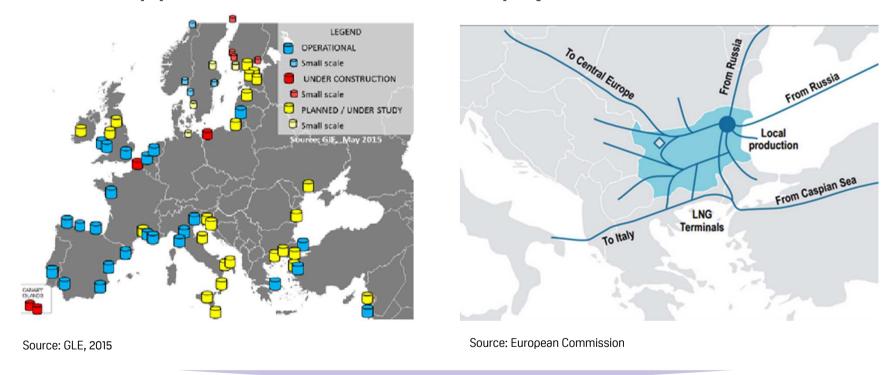
Supply in South-East Europe still highly dependant on Russian gas



Source: IGU

TREND: DIVERSIFICATION OF SUPPLY (AND CONTRACTS) IN THE SOUTH EAST REGION

Improved connection, with Projects of Common Interest (PCI) supporting new LNG terminals and pipeline reverse flow infrastructure projects







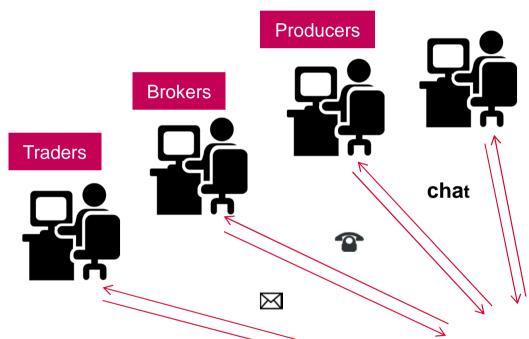


Pricing gas contracts at S&P Global Platts

Various contracts, various drivers

MARKET CONSULTED THROUGHOUT THE DAY TO ASSESS CONTRACTS

S&P Global Platts' methodology approach





Structured end of day process Closes 16:30 London

- Indications tested in the market
- Platts assessment process is designed to provide price assessments that properly reflect outright and spread values.

Survey approach utilised throughout the day

- Broad cross section of market polled
- Communication primarily by phone, IM and email
- Bids, offers trades
- Assessments time-stamped at 16:30 London



Platts Pricing Specialist

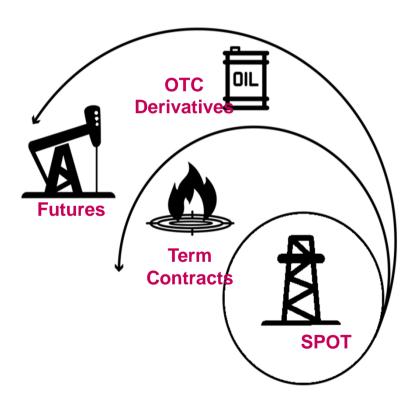
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Down the curve

SPOT, PROMPT, FORWARD CONTRACTS ALSO ASSESSED ACCORDING TO SPECIFIC DRIVERS

Focus, Impact & Relevance



Fundamentals Data:

- Fundamentals analysis –imports/exports, maintenances
- Weather forecast change
- Storage levels, injections, withdrawals
- Balancing system
- Cross-commodity analysis (LNG, power, oil, coal, etc.)
- > Forex
- Contract utilization analysis (longterm contracts)

EXAMPLE OF DUTCH TTF PRICE ASSESSMENT

PLATTS DUTCH TTF ASSESSMENTS (Hi-cal gas)

TEATTO DO TOTT TT ADDEDONERTO (TIE-carges)				
October 27, 2016	ρ/th	Eur/MWh	Change D-1 (Eur/MWh)	\$/MMBtu
Day ahead	45.461	17.300	+0.050	5.535
Weekend	45.329	17.250	+0.175	5.519
Working week+1	46.118	17.550	+0.200	5.615
November	45.658	17.375	+0.275	5.559
December	46.183	17.575	+0.300	5.623
Q1 2017	46.315	17.625	+0.300	5.639
02 2017	43.424	16.525	+0.225	5.287
03 2017	42.636	16.225	+0.225	5.191
Q4 2017	46.052	17.525	+0.225	5.607
Q1 2018	47.432	18.050	+0.225	5.775
02 2018	44.212	16.825	+0.250	5.383
Summer 17	43.030	16.375	+0.225	5.239
Winter 17	46.709	17.775	+0.225	5.687
Summer 18	43.884	16.700	+0.250	5.343
Winter 18	47.300	18.000	+0.250	5.759
Summer 19	43.556	16.575	+0.150	5.303
Winter 19	46.775	17.800	+0.150	5.695
Gas year 2017	45.329	17.250	+0.250	5.519
Cal 2017	44.607	16.975	+0.275	5.431
Cal 2018	45.395	17.275	+0.225	5.527
Cal 2019	45.264	17.225	+0.175	5.511

Spot

Prompt

 Less liquid hubs trade at spread with TTF (locational spread)

Curve

Time spread is also used (Month-ahead vs quarter ahead vs season ahead, etc.)

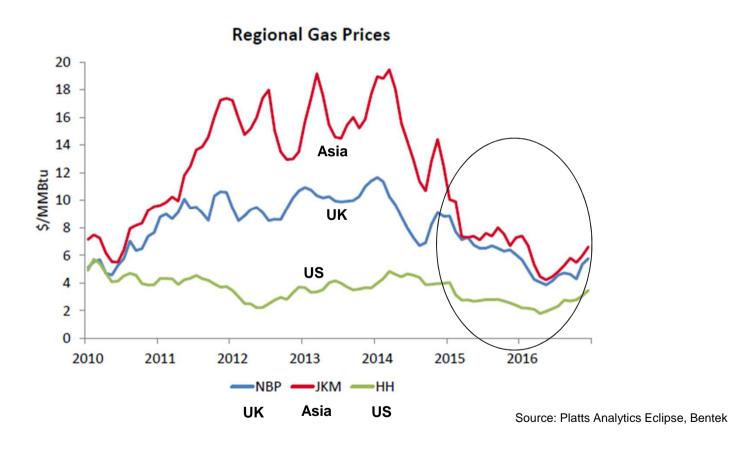
S&P Global Platts

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Towards more global gas price convergence worldwide?

GLOBAL GAS PRICES CONVERGENCE



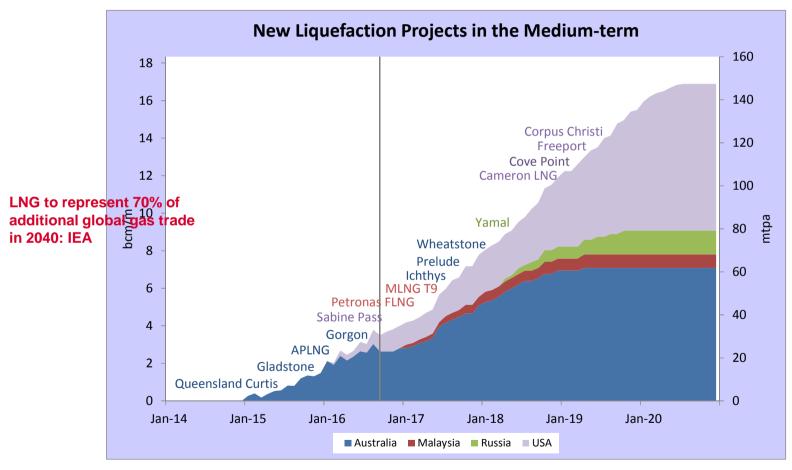
DATED BRENT CRUDE OIL PRICES FELL OVER 60% SINCE JAN 2013

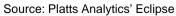
(\$/barrel)



Source: Platts

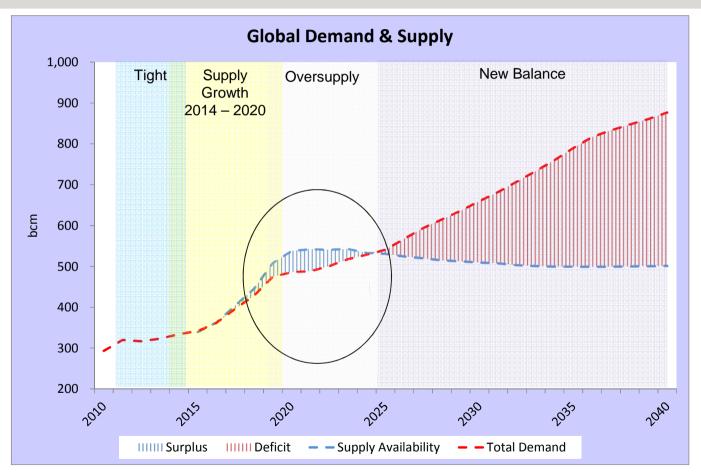
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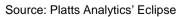






GLOBAL OVERSUPPLY PICTURE BETWEEN NOW AND 2025

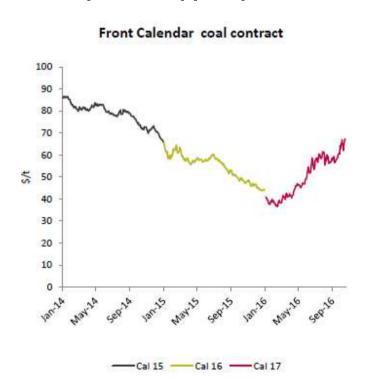


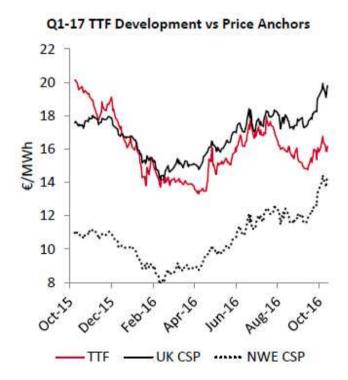




THE GROWING IMPORTANCE OF COAL IN GLOBAL GAS DYNAMICS

Higher coal prices support power, clean spark spreads, gas demand





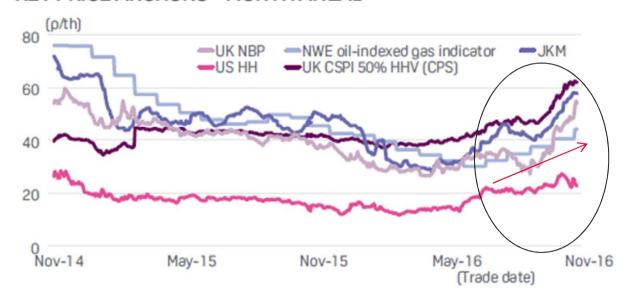
Note: CSP = Carbon Support price

Source: Platts Analytics' Eclipse



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KEY PRICE ANCHORS - MONTH AHEAD



Source: Platts

Note: CSPI = Coal Switching Price Index

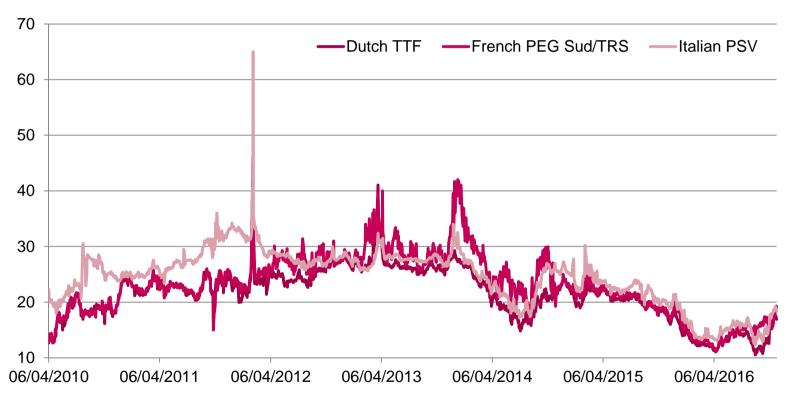




Focus on Europe: price convergence or price correlation?

EU GAS SPOT FALLING--CONVERGENCE

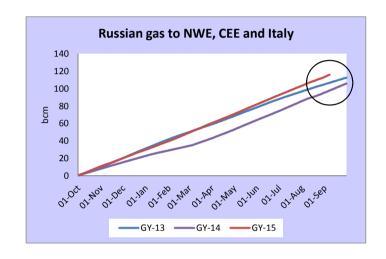
European key prices anchors- Day-ahead (Eur/MWh)

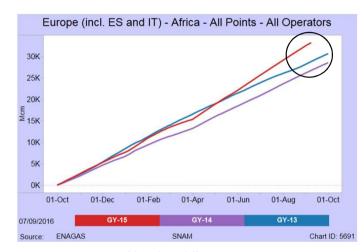


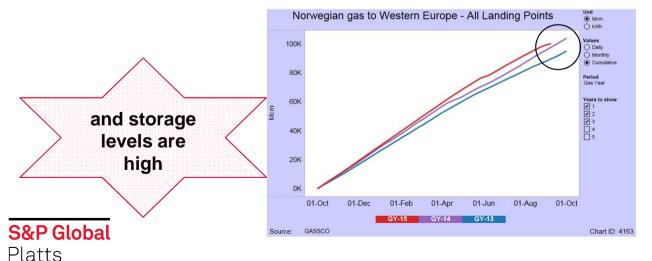
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HIGH SUPPLIES FROM RUSSIA, ALGERIA AND NORWAY INTO EUROPE



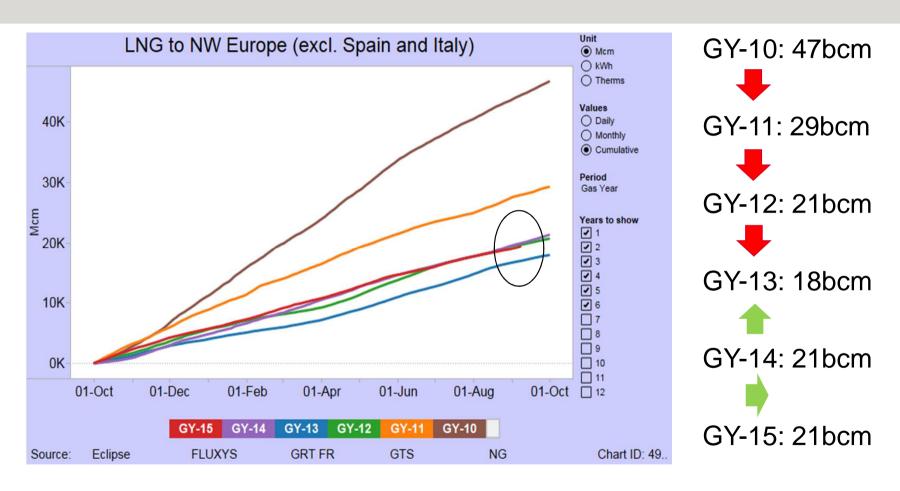




Algeria + Libya

Platts Analytics' Eclipse Data

EUROPE HAS SIGNIFICANT CAPACITY TO ABSORB LNG



Source: Platts Analytics' Eclipse



TREND: FURTHER SHIFT TOWARDS SPOT TRADING?

PEG NORD-TTF LOCATION SPREADS



Expected flows of LNG imports into Europe could bring a more pronounced spot/prompt gas price volatility

Arbitrage opportunity with volatile spot prices associated with flexible products

Source: Platts



CONCLUSIONS

- > Gas price formation changing in Europe
 - More hub-indexation, renegotiation of long-term contracts, LNG option, flexibility
- > LNG supply set to increase 50% in the 2015 to 2020 period
 - Platts Analytics forecast 7 Bcm of additional LNG supply to Europe this winter
- US LNG export adding flexibility
 - Can be turned off if market price falls below marginal cost of delivery
- > Traditional demand is stalling or increasing only slightly
 - From 2020 to 2025, with short supply expected from 2025 onward
- > Leading to downward pressure on gas prices
 - Supported by fall in oil price, pipeline supply
- Lower prices incentivising demand?
 - New emerging demand, coal to gas switching
- Increasing "globalization" of gas prices
 - Dynamics in one market impacting price formation in other markets