

Iran's Natural Gas Potential

Iran's place as a natural gas supplier to Europe

**Eurasia Dialogues, 2015
Moscow, Russia**

STRUCTURE



- 1. Iran's Gas Sector: production, consumption and policies**
- 2. Important stakeholders: NIGC and its subsidiaries**
- 3. Current projects and future prospects**
- 4. Iran's potential role as a natural gas supplier to Europe**

GAS SECTOR

Vast potential
Minimal realisation?

GAS SECTOR



- World's 2nd largest natural gas reserves
- 3rd largest gas domestic consumption 2013
- Minimal exports
- Net gas importer Turkmenistan

IRAN'S NATURAL GAS EXPORTS

DESTINATION	BCM PER YEAR	START DATE
Turkey	10*	2001
Armenia	1.1-2.3	2007
Azerbaijan	0.3 – 0.7	2005

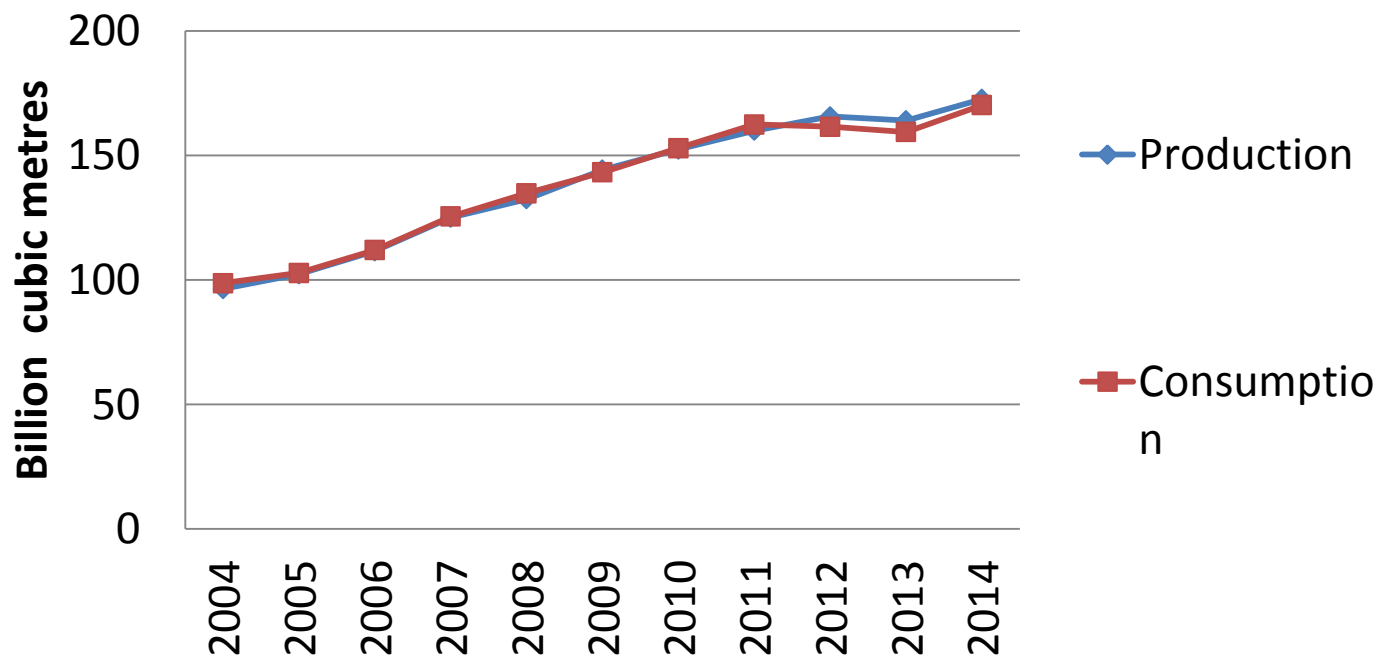
IRAN'S NATURAL GAS IMPORTS

SUPPLIER	BCM PER YEAR	START DATE
Turkmenistan (I)	8	1997
Turkmenistan (II)	UP TO 14	2007

**has not reached full capacity*

Source: data from NIGC, Iran Gas Industry presentation 2015

Gas Production vs. Consumption



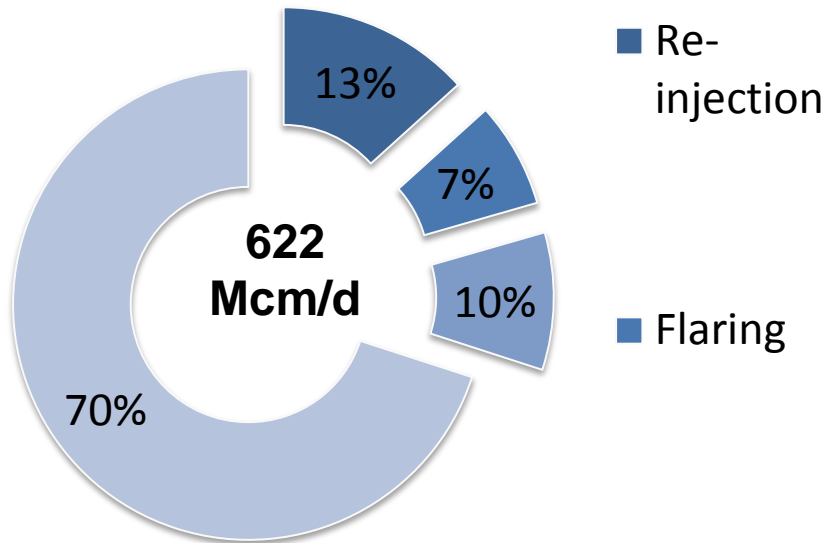
*Excludes gas flared or recycled. Includes natural gas produced for Gas-to-Liquids transformation. **Excludes natural gas converted to liquid fuels but includes derivatives of coal as well as natural gas consumed in Gas-to-Liquids transformation.

Source: Kalina, EUCERS' graph based on BP Data (BP Statistical Review of World Energy, June 2015)

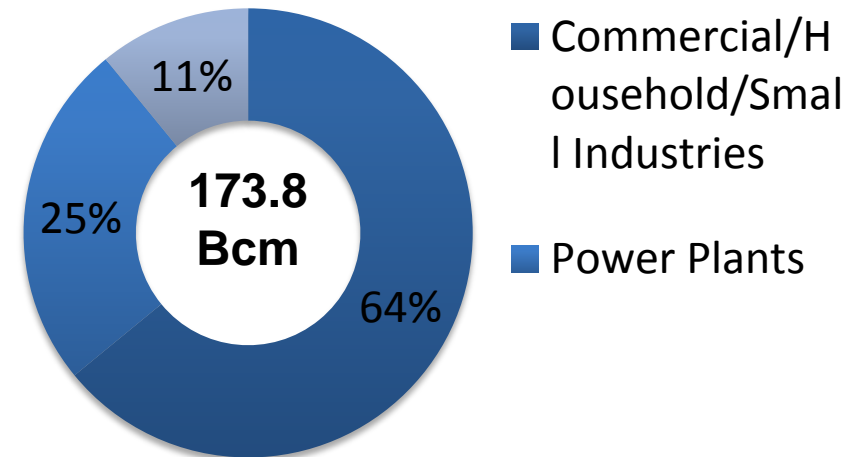
- More gas allocated to domestic market to free oil for exports
- Heavily subsidised gas prices

BY SECTOR

Iran's Gas production 2013



Gas Consumption by Sector (Persian calendar year ending March 2015)



- Gas re-injection into declining oil fields
- Stimulating natural gas based industry

NATIONAL IRANIAN GAS COMPANY

IRI Constitution 1979



- Article 44.2 puts 'all large-scale and mother industries' under public ownership and administration by the State.
- Article 45 considers all mineral deposits a 'public wealth and property' that '/.../ shall be at the disposal of the Islamic government for it to utilise in accordance with the public interest'.
- Article 153 [No Foreign Control]: '[a]ny form of agreement resulting in foreign control over the natural resources, economy, army, or culture of the country, as well as other aspects of the national life, is forbidden'.

Ministry of Petroleum

Main Affiliated Companies

NIOC

National Iranian
Oil Co.

NIGC

National Iranian Gas
Co.

NIPC

National Iranian
Petrochemical Co.

NIORDC

National Iranian Oil
Refining and Distribution
Co.

NIGC subs:

- National Iranian Gas Export Company - NIGEC
- Provincial Gas Companies
- Gas Treating Companies
- Iranian Gas Transmission Company
- Iranian Gas Engineering and Development Company
- Iranian Underground Gas Storage Company
- Iranian Gas Commerce Company

GAS SECTOR STRATEGY



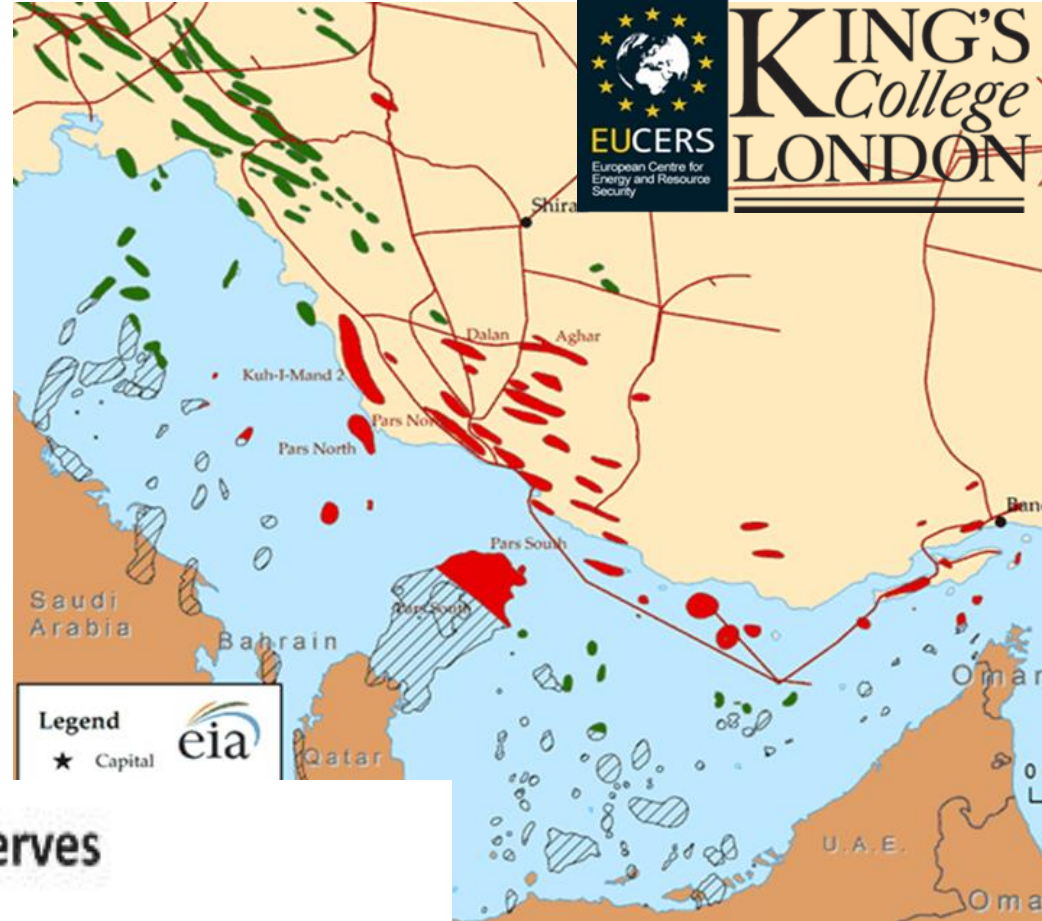
- 8-10 % of natural gas trade
- More than 300 Bcm production by 2020
- Development of the South Pars gas field
- Expanding domestic pipeline system
- Developing regional export pipeline infrastructure
- Decreasing domestic consumption & improving efficiency
- Completion of main LNG projects

PROSPECTS FOR GROWTH

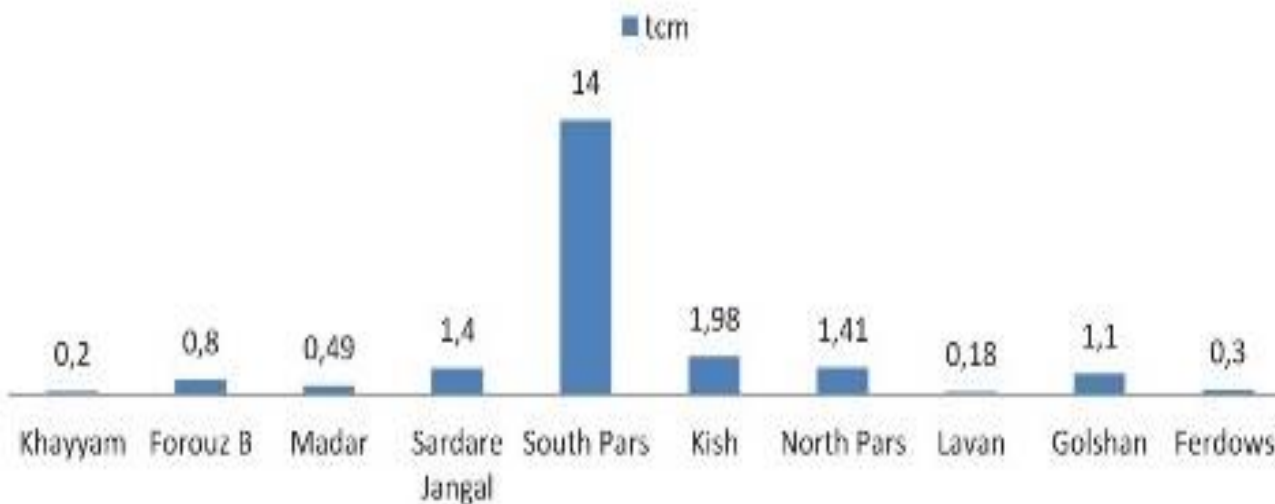
Current and potential projects

NATURAL GAS FIELDS

South Pars + Qatar side of the field: world's largest natural gas field



Primary Natural Gas Reserves



Source: EIA, BP, in Akhundzada, Emin, and Seray Özkan. "Iranian Energy Outlook." 2014. Kalina K. Damianova

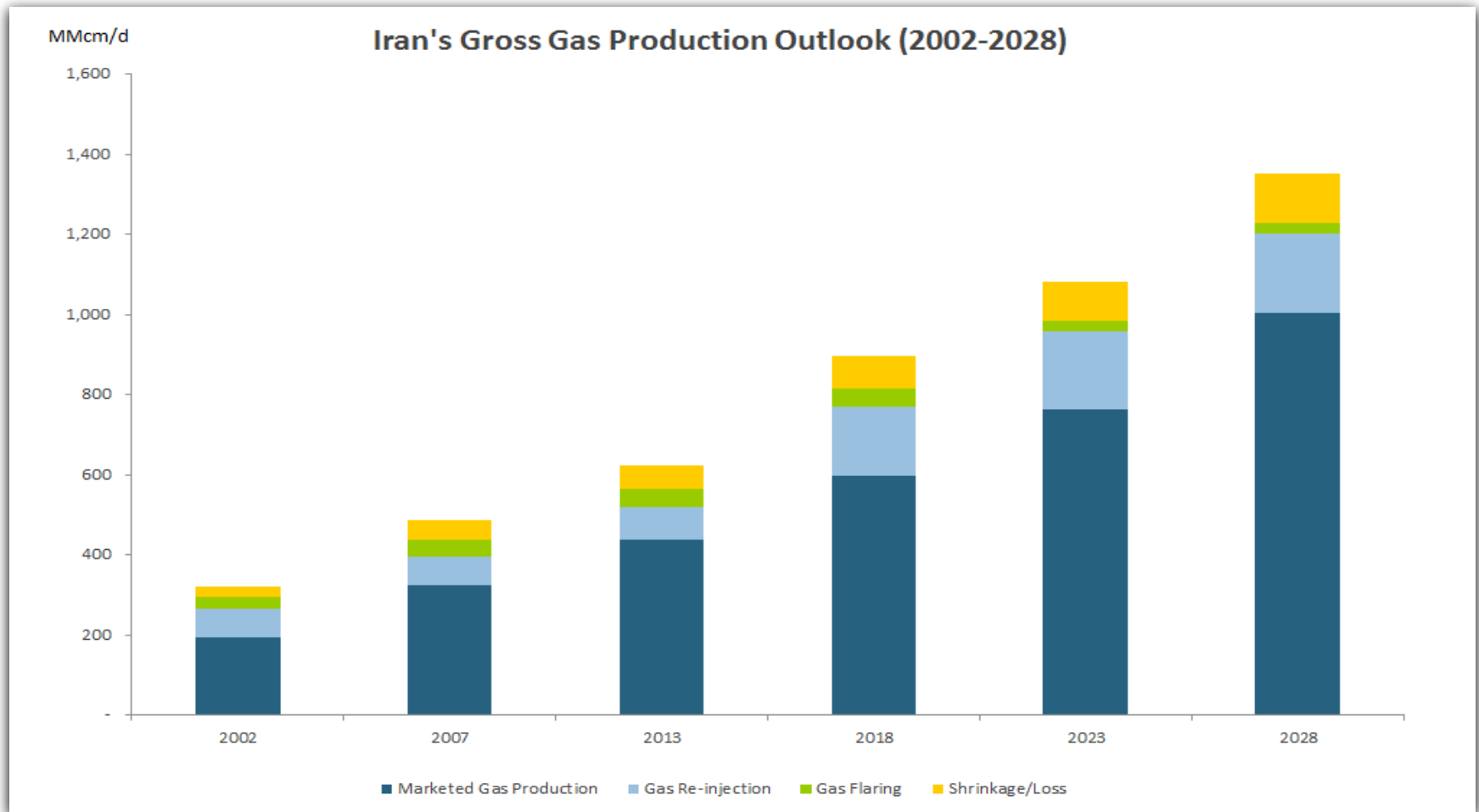
GAS FIELDS DEVELOPMENT

- Potential to increase gas production with **300MMcm/d** by 2020
- More than **543MMcm/d** after 2025

Gas Field	Production capacity MMcm/d	Expected Completion year
SP 11	50.00	after 2025
SP 12	80.00	2015/16
SP 13	50.00	after 2020
SP14	50.00	after 2020
SP 15	50.00	2015/16
SP 16		
SP 17	50.00	2015/16
SP 18		
SP 19	50.00	up to 2020/23
SP 20	50.00	
SP 21		
SP 22	50.00	after 2020
SP 23		
SP 24		
Kish	28.00	2016/2020
Lavan	21.00	2015/2016
Foruz B		after 2020
Golshan		
Ferdowsi	14.00	2017/18
Farzad B		after 2025
Total increase of maximum	243 / 343	up to 2020
Total increase of more than	543	after 2025

GROSS GAS PRODUCTION

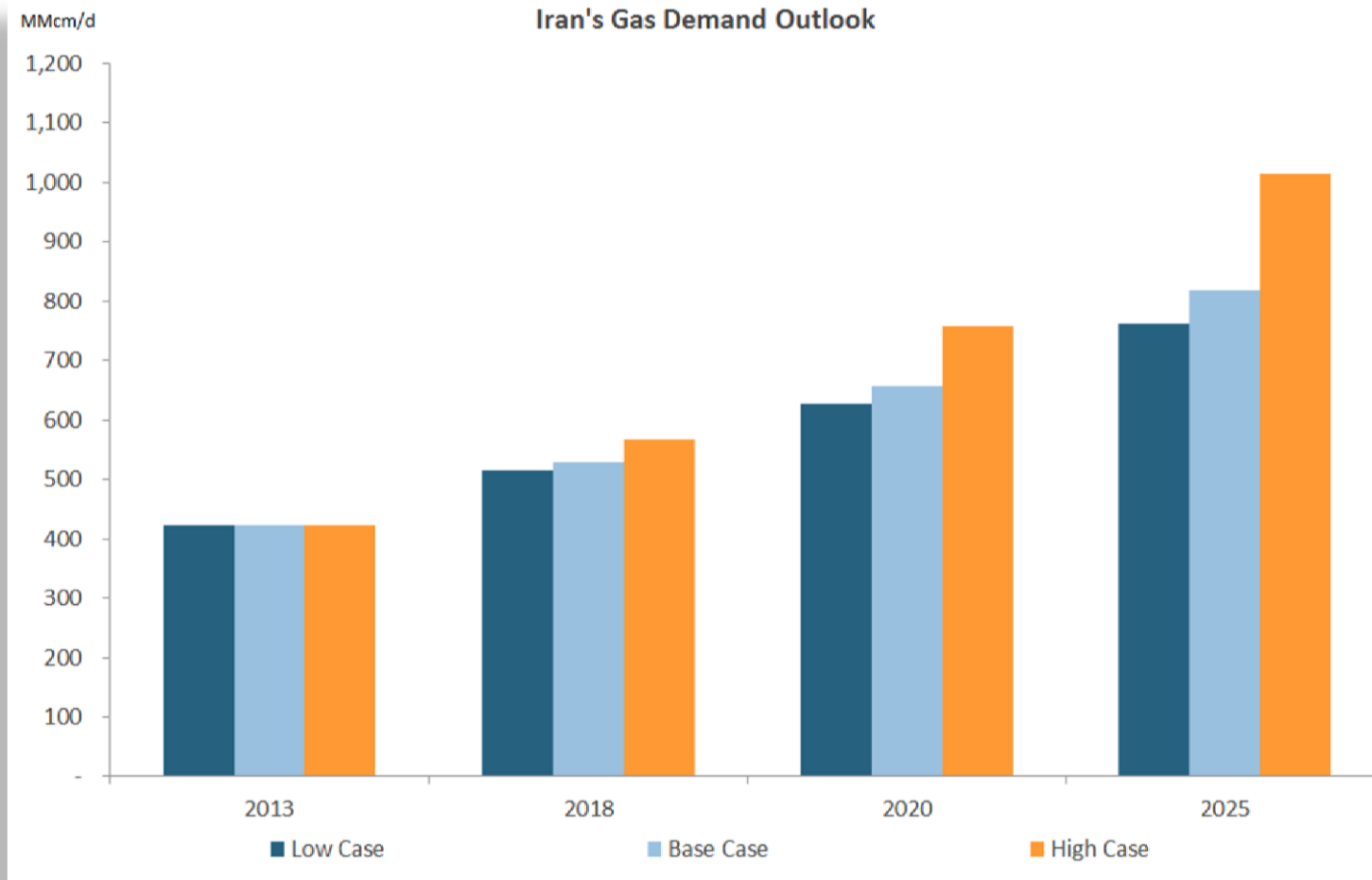
330 Billion Cubic Metres by 2020



Source: K.Damianova,EUCERS

DEMAND

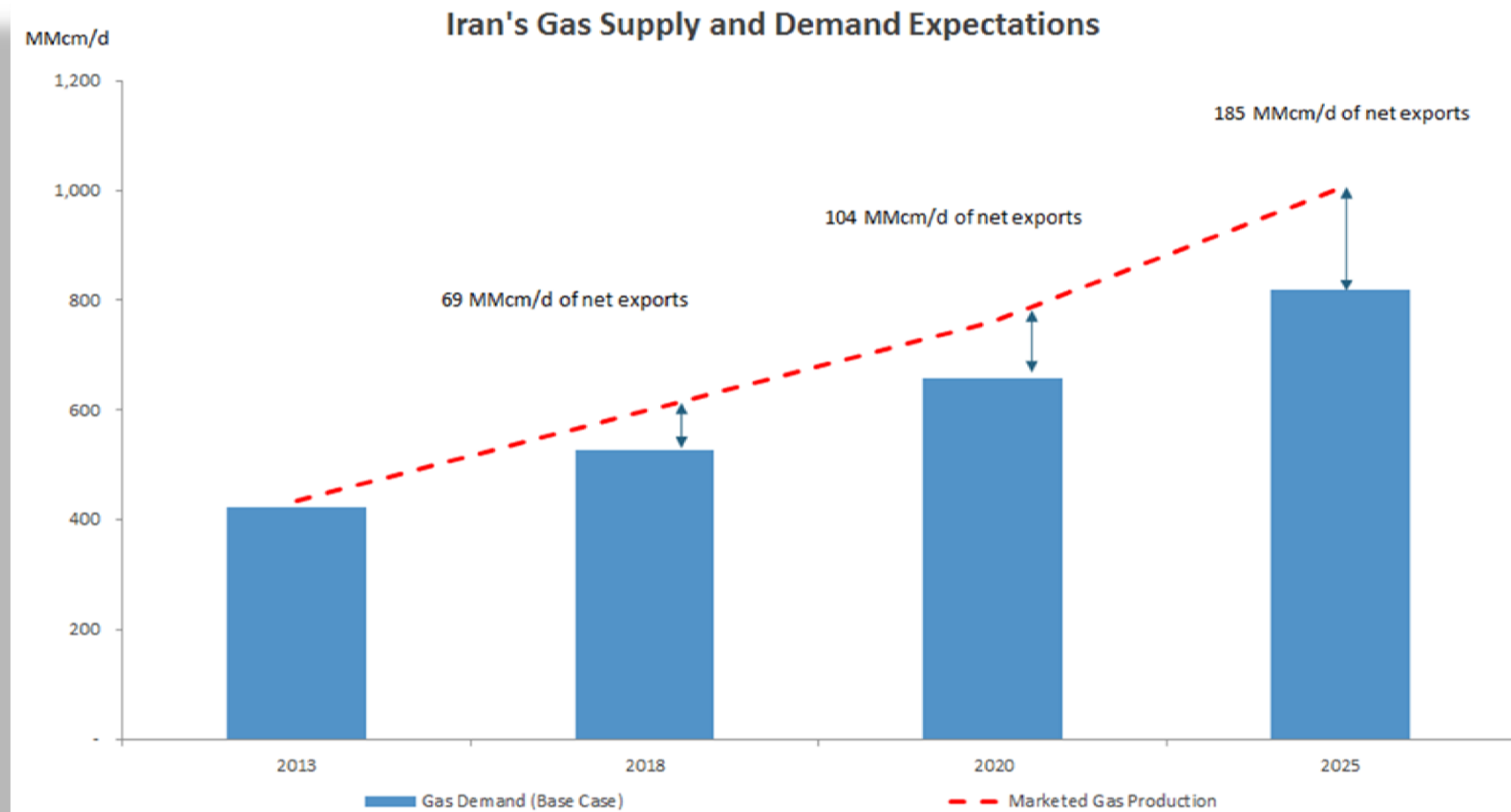
High case: Iran have difficulties to cover domestic demand



EXPORT POTENTIAL

Investments ↑ Production ↑ Consumption ↓

➡ Iran - key natural gas exporter after 2020



INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS

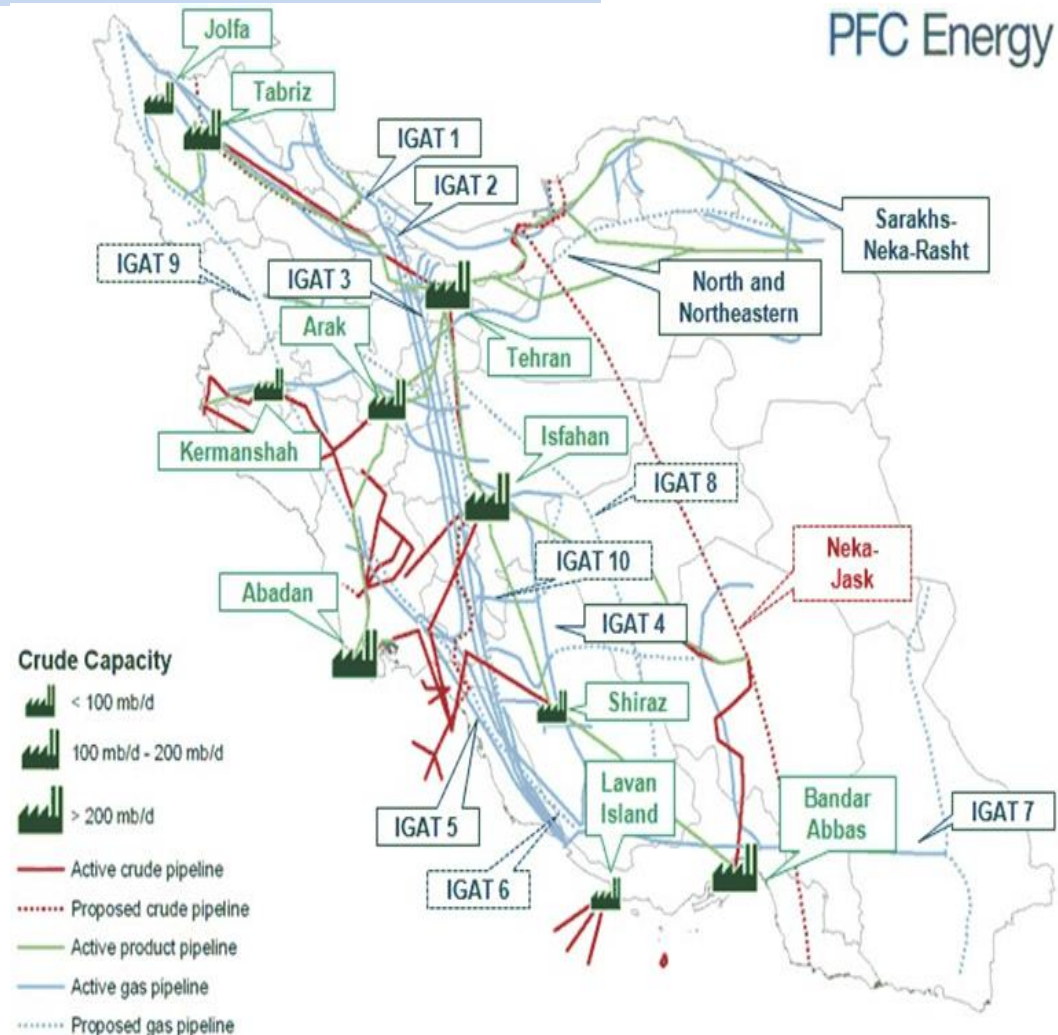


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NIGC:

- **IGAT 9** & gas export lines to Europe
- **IGAT 7** & export lines to Oman&Pakistan
- **IGAT 6** & export lines to Iraq



Map Spource:EIA

Source: NIGC, Iranian Gas Industry:
Opportunities&Challenges presentation

PIPELINE PROJECTS

Project Name	Capacity (BCM/Y)	Project status	Start Date
Pakistan	7.8	Finalized GSPA	2016
Iraq (phase 1)	9	Finalized GSPA	2015

Project Name	Capacity (BCM/Y)	Project Status	Start Date
India	10.9	Negotiation	2017
Oman	10.2	Term sheet is signed	2016
Kuwait	3.1	Negotiation on term sheet	2017
Turkey (phase 2)	0.5 - 3	HOA is signed	2015
Iraq (phase 2)	24	MOU is signed	2017

Source: NIGC, Iranian Gas Industry: Opportunities&Challenges presentation

LNG PROJECTS

Project Name	Capacity (mmton/Y)	Project Progress Status	Commencement Date
IRAN LNG	10	Final investment decision	2017
NORTH PARS	20	PDA contract assessment	2018
Golshan & Ferdowsi	9	Under negotiation for PDA & GSPA	2020
Gazestan	1	Under negotiation	2016
Total	40		

Source: NIGC, Iranian Gas Industry: Opportunities&Challenges presentation

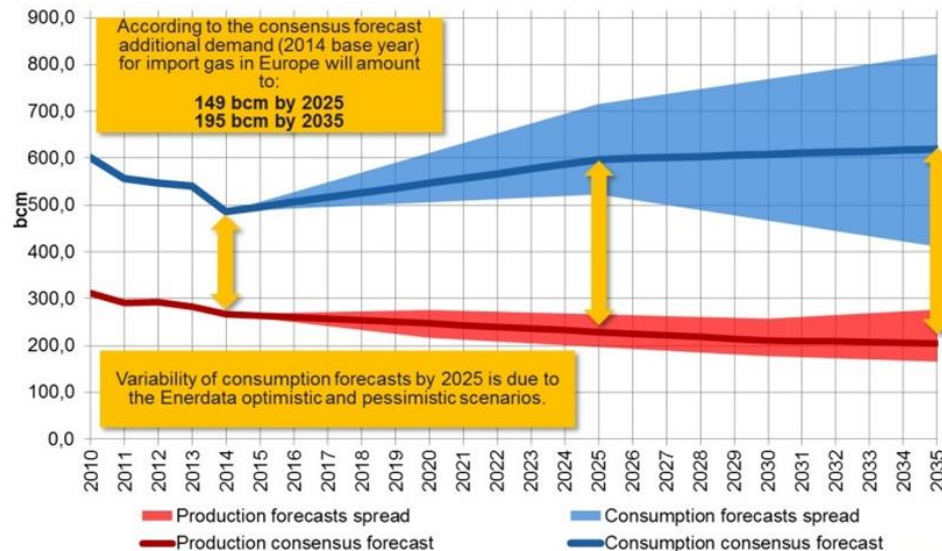
IRAN'S PLACE AS A NATURAL GAS SUPPLIER TO THE EU

EUROPEAN ENERGY SECURITY



- ☐ Declining indigenous production
- ☐ Growing demand
- ☐ Relying on few gas suppliers

Natural Gas European Demand and Production Gap



ENERGY UNION

- Pool resources, connect networks and unite the EU's power when negotiating with non EU countries.
- **Diversify energy sources – so Europe can quickly switch to other supply channels if the financial or political cost of importing from the East becomes too high.**
- Help EU countries become less dependent on energy imports.
- Reduce Europe's energy use by 27% or greater by 2030
- Build on the EU's target of emitting at least 40% less greenhouse gases by 2030
- Make the EU the world number one in renewable energy and lead the fight against global warming

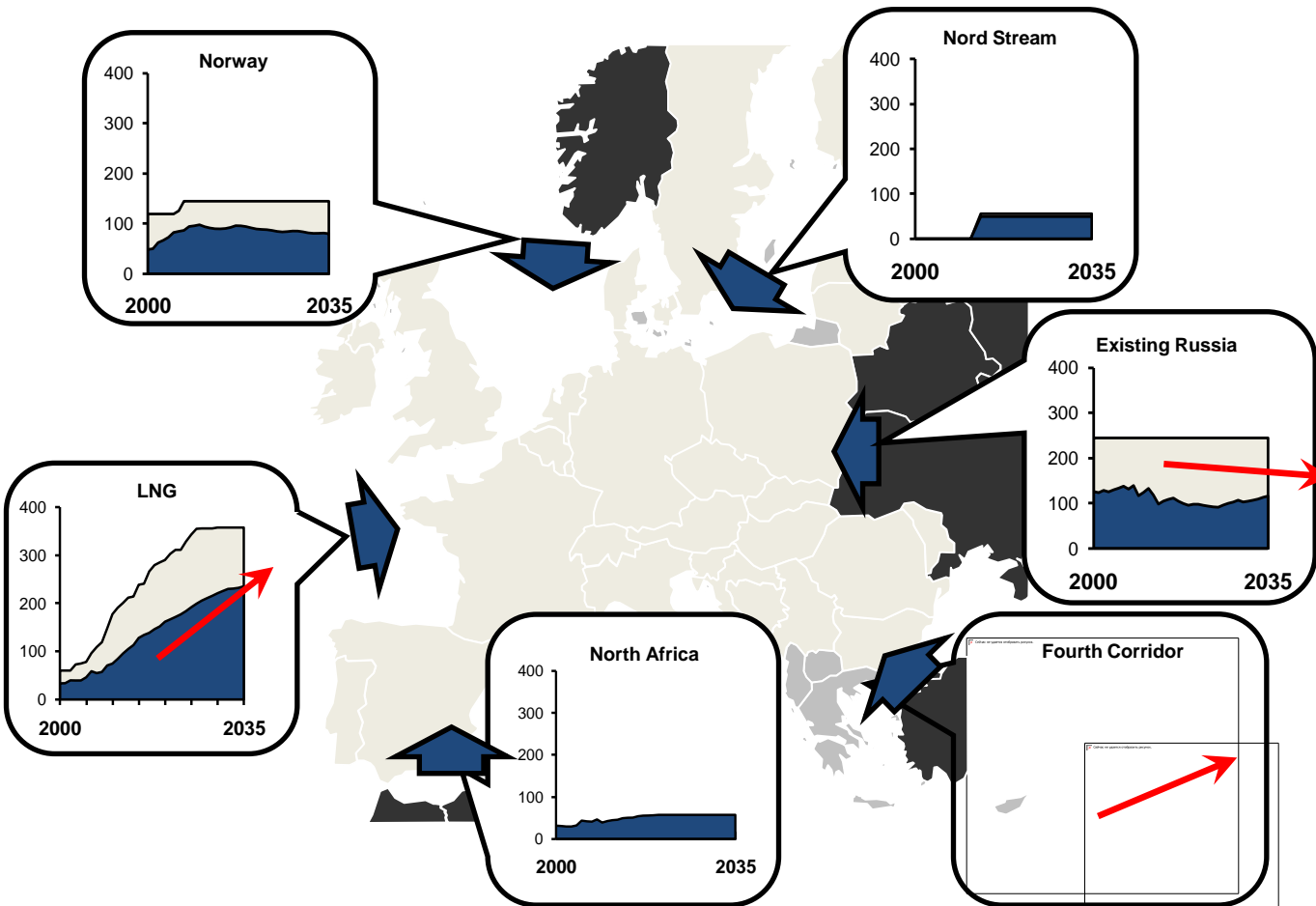
Supply Routes

1. Opening the Southern Gas Corridor
2. Developing the Mediterranean Hub
3. Building LNG terminals

IRAN'S PLACE IN EU'S GAS SUPPLY

1. Vast natural gas production potential
2. Domestic infrastructure expansions
3. Investments flow due to sanctions relief

Source: M.Kuhn
'Enabling Iran's Natural Gas Options', 2014



EC FOR IRAN

24-Sep-2014 13:16 - **PLAN FOR
IRANIAN GAS IMPORTS TO
EU IF SANCTIONS ON
TEHRAN REMOVED IS NEAR
TOP OF EU MID-TERM
ENERGY PRIORITIES-
EUROPEAN COMMISSION
SOURCE**

Henning Gloystein;
Thompson Reuters

***„Iran seems to be a credible alternative to
Russian gas in the long term“***

IN-DEPTH ANALYSIS:
The EU's energy security made urgent by the Crimean crisis
Author: Pasquale DE MICCO
DIRECTORATE-GENERAL FOR EXTERNAL POLICIES

***‘Iran negotiations, if successful, might lead to a
progressive reopening of Iranian oil and gas markets
towards Europe’- Dominique Ristori, the Director
General for Energy, EC in the 2014 January edition of the
EC’***

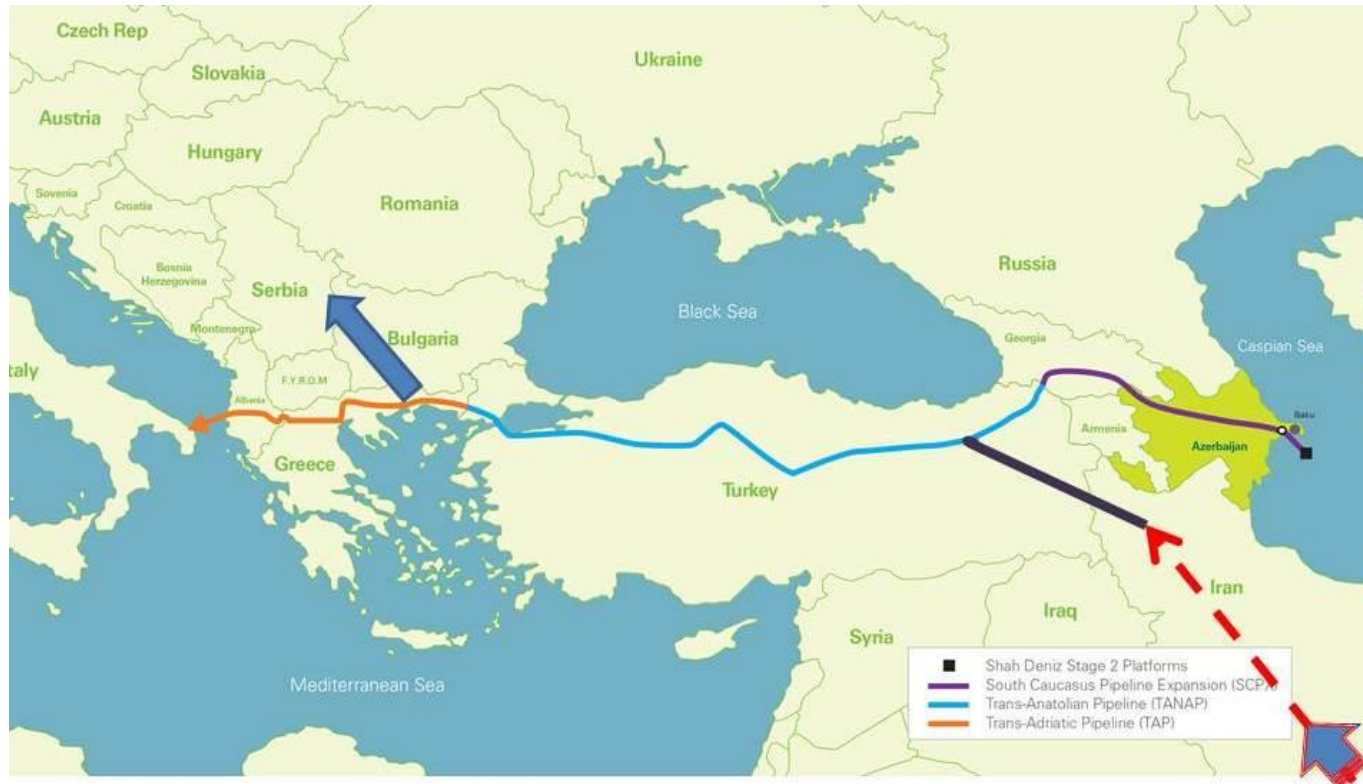
Support the opening of the Southern Corridor as a route for the diversification of supply for Europe and the Balkan region, also connecting it to the Interconnection Greece-Bulgaria, Interconnection Turkey-Bulgaria and Ionian – Adriatic pipeline, and ensure the possibility for sources from other potential suppliers (e.g. Iraq, IRAN, Mediterranean Sea and Turkmenistan)

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SOUTH GAS CORRIDOR

EU-Iran gas supply routes



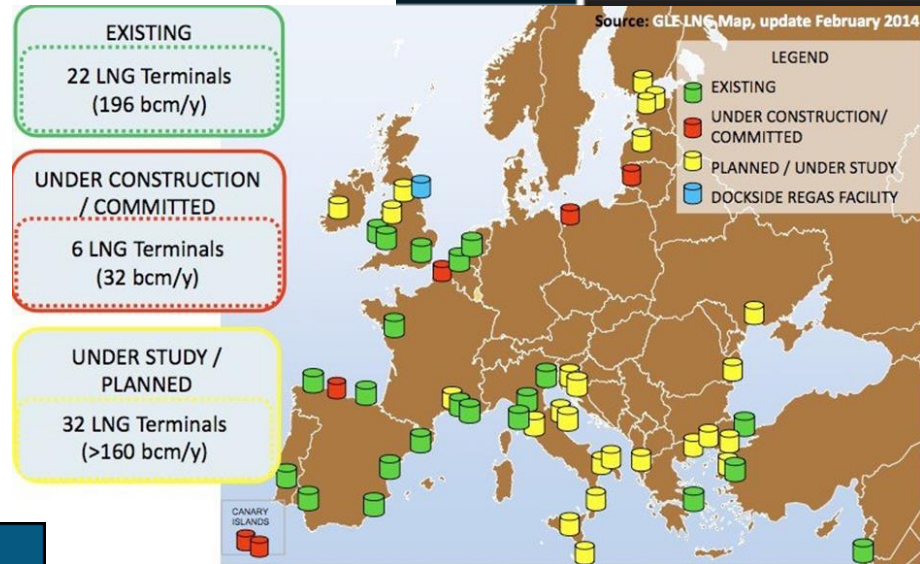
Source: open data

1. Increase gas production
2. Develop domestic infrastructure
3. Revise gas prices issues
4. Expand Iran-Turkey pipeline

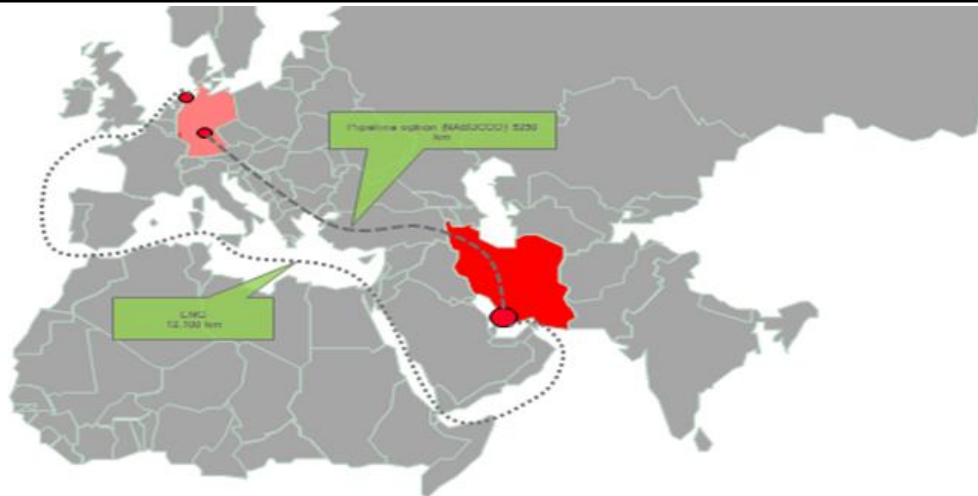
LNG

EU LNG strategy - priority LNG exports proffered by Iran:

- More costly
- More flexible
- Direct connection



Iran Gas Export Option – Pipeline vs. LNG



If neighbourhood gas export projects realised and present exports increased, more than 50 MMcm/d for LNG, only after 2025.

**LNG prices and market growth:
Asia vs. Europe**

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THANK YOU!

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