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Opening the Southern Gas Corridor

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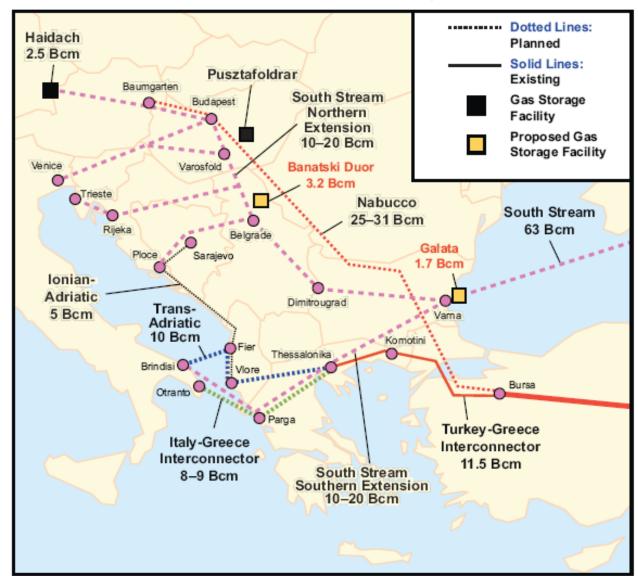
Background Market Conditions



- The gap between declining indigenous gas production and gas demand in Europe will continue to grow.
- Diversification of gas supply routes and sources to EU remains crucial. Even more so in the South East region of Europe.
- Developing gas infrastructure is a long term solution. Growth of Gas markets is stagnant but expected to recover in the near future.
- Gas producers in the Caspian Sea and the Middle East are looking for outlet for their gas to Europe

Fourth Corridor Gas Projects





Source: IHS CERA. 80505-14_3103

TAP's Key Features



Pipeline length – 520 km

- Connects to existing networks in Greece and Italy
- Designed to expand from 10 to 20 bcm per year
- Option to develop gas storage facility in Albania
- TAP will be project financed



Supported by Strong Partners



Investment confidence in the times of economic recession







EGL (42.5%):

- European energy trading company with own assets in 16 countries
- Operates gas fired power plants in Italy

Statoil (42.5%):

- Second largest gas supplier to Europe
- The world's largest deepwater operator (8'000 km of subsea pipelines)
- Partner and commercial operator of the Shah Deniz consortium

E.ON Ruhrgas (15%):

- Europe's largest private utility supplying 53 billion m³ of gas yearly
- Own supply system comprises 11,600 km of gas pipelines

Securing supply for SEE region



TAP has significant physical reverse flow possibilities



- Cross-border interconnector between the Italian and South East European markets
- Connecting to future gas hubs in south Italy, Greece, Bulgaria and Turkey
- Possibility for physical reverse flow
- Securing supply in emergency situations: connecting SEE to Algerian and Libyan gas resources

Underground Gas Storage



Provides strategic storage for SEE and Italian market

- Contributes to Security of European Energy Supply (strategic & technical)
- Enhances flexibility for shippers and buyers of gas
- Boosts the SEE Gas-to-Power market



 Where: Dumre salt dome in Albania, 20 km to the north of TAP pipeline unique and feasible gas storage option. Approximately 3 – 5 caverns

TAP's Business Concept

Project feasibility

Develop, construct and own a new natural gas interconnector pipeline to provide the most economic outlet for gas from the Caspian Sea to high margin markets within Europe

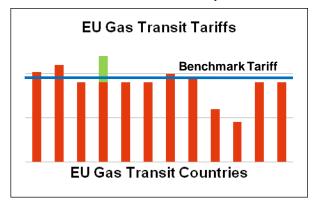
Commercial model

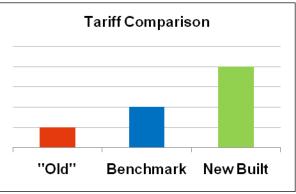
Lease capacity to shareholders through long-term gas transmission (ship-or-pay) contracts and in a measure equivalent to their share of ownership. Shareholders/shippers will be able to sell unused reserved capacity on a secondary capacity market

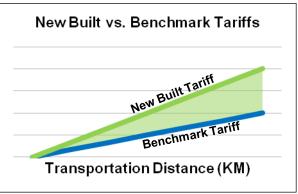
Business development

Expandable pipeline to accommodate phased infrastructure development in the region – present time schedule aligned with developments of Shah Deniz II, but giving possibilities to accommodate other sources of gas in the long-term future.









Sound Financing Approach



TAP is a privately sponsored pipeline

- Project development financed by robust and credit worthy shareholders
- Discussions with International Financing Institutions including the EIB initiated
- Solid business case, banks signalled willingness of the market to provide financing
- ESIA, technical and procurement standards fully aligned with requirements from international financing institutions

Best Technical Experience

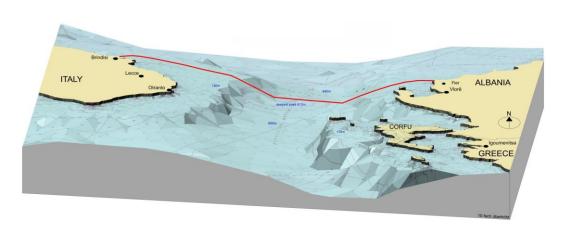


Pipeline laying onshore and offshore

TAP shareholders - Statoil and E.ON Ruhrgas - are the world's specialists in pipeline laying

Optimum route selected offshore (135 km):

- Shallowest water depth (820m) compared to other routes
- Favorable seabed slopes and geotechnical conditions







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General TAP Project Progress



- RNG Inclusion
- INGS license application update
- TPA Exemption Consultations
- Memorandum of Understanding and Cooperation signed with Albania (May 2010)
- Energy-related Inter-Governmental Agreement between Italy & Albania signed (March '09)
- Extensive routing studies and stakeholder consultations (2009-10)
- Various applications filed in Greece and Italy since 2008
- Basic engineering concluded in 2007 Front-end engineering design stage (FEED) running
- Recognized by EU as Project of common interest (2003)









Summary



- TAP is backed by strong and financially stable shareholders
- TAP shareholders are resource owners in Shah Deniz II
- TAP has the shortest onshore & offshore routing
- TAP is technically advanced
- TAP adheres to the highest international (EBRD) standards
- TAP is open for partners
- TAP reinforces Greece's desire to create an Energy Highway in Greece



Thank you!

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