

Main outcomes of the consultation on the list of candidate Projects of Common Interest in gas infrastructure



The consultation on candidate projects: part of the PCI process

Consultation on the list of candidate for the 5th Projects of Common Interest in electricity and gas infrastructure

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Consultation period

14 January 2021 to 8 April 2021

Target group(s)

Public authorities, Member States authorities, individual companies, industry associations, Small and Medium Enterprises(s), consumer organisations, trade unions, NGOs, environmental organisations, consultancies, workers and employers' federations, other relevant stakeholders and citizens.



The aim of the consultation

To establish a need for a proposed Project of Common Interest from an EU energy policy perspective:

*In your opinion, is a candidate project in gas infrastructure significantly contributing to market integration/sustainability/security of supply/competition and therefore needed from an EU energy policy perspective?



Consultation results

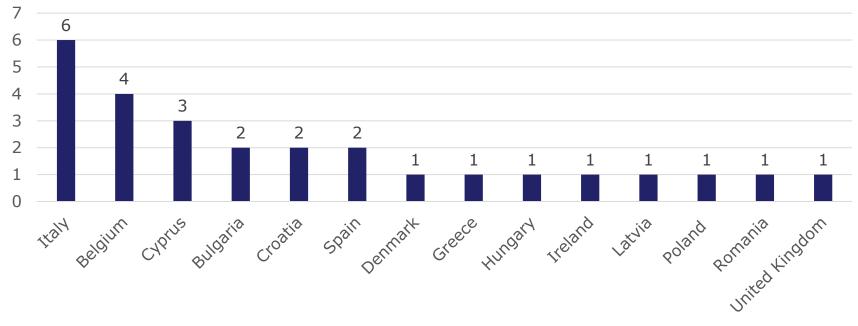
27 replies submitted through the **EU Survey** (out of which 4 empty)

900+ replies submitted to the functional mailbox, approx. 90% mass mailing with identical replies from "Citizens"



EU Survey: General Overview

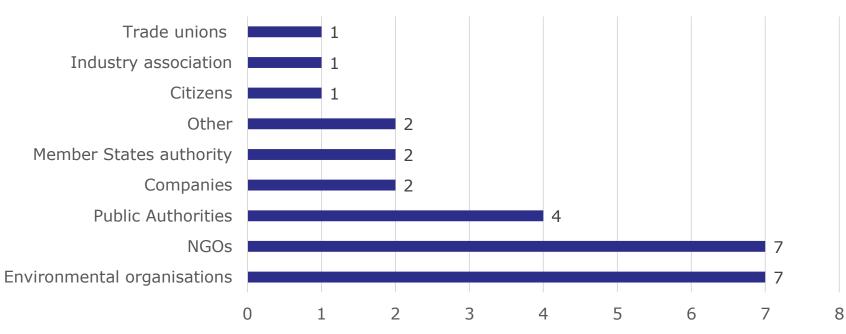
Participants per country



27 participants from 14 countries



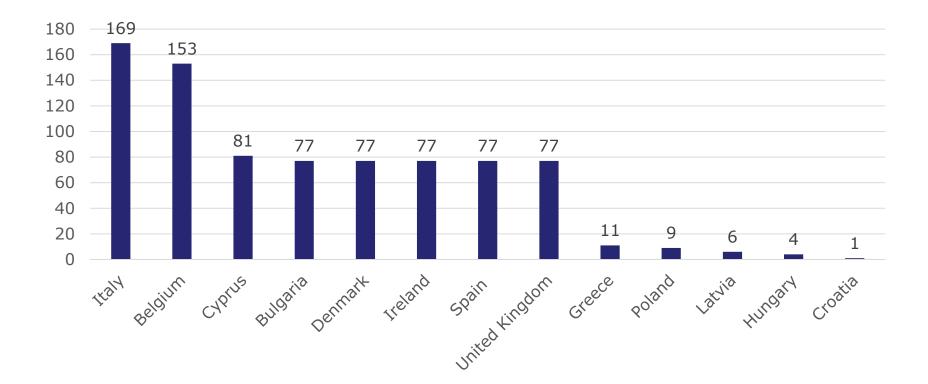
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Participants per Type of Organization

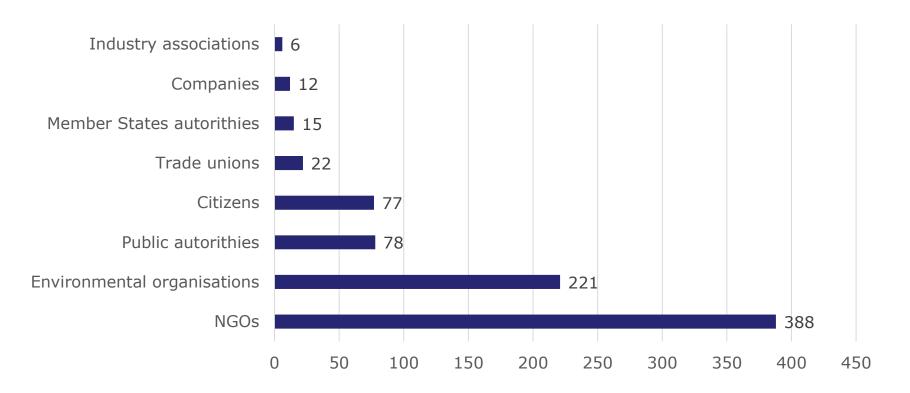


Comments per country





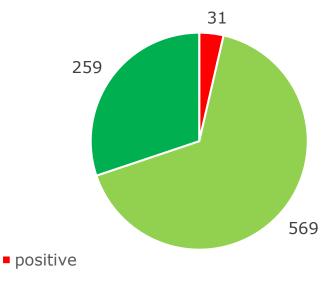
Comments per Type of Actor





Comments Breakdown

- 819 comments to the EU SURVEY
- 259 identical comments for projects ETR-N-921(Circular economy: waste to biomethane), TRA-F-1276 (Compressor station at Nea Messimvria), TRA-N-128 (Compressor Station Kipi), LNG-A-1146 (Cyprus Gas2EU), TRA-A-330 (EastMed Pipeline), TRA-A-10 (Poseidon Pipeline), TRA-N-137 (Interconnection Bulgaria – Serbia).
- On average 3 comments per project (excluding the abovementioned projects) – assessment of individual projects not meaningful



negative

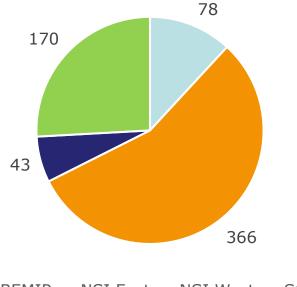
 negative (projects ETR-N-921, TRA-F-1276, TRA-N-128, LNG-A-1146, TRA-A-330, TRA-A-10, TRA-N-137)



Engagement per Regional Groups

Number of Comments	5
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	Number of Comments	Comments per Project
BEMIP	78	3
NSI East	366	3
NSI West	43	2
SGC	170	7



BEMIP NSI East NSI West SGC



Main issues raised (1/2)

A majority of replies from "environmental organizations" and "citizens" express opposition to the candidate gas PCIs due to:

- Incompatibility with climate neutrality
- Lack of need for further natural gas infrastructure in view of expected decline in demand
- Delays in project implementation
- Lack of economic viability of projects and dependence on public funding
- Local opposition



Main issues raised (2/2)

Several replies from "project promoters" and "competent authorities" in support of the need for certain candidate PCIs



Thank you