

Countries involved

Greece (EL) and Bulgaria (BG)

Location

Komotini (EL) – Stara Zagora (BG)

Project promoters

ICGB AD

Project website: [Link](#)

Basic technical data

Capacity: up to 3bcm/year and up to 5bcm /year (second phase)

Power of the compressor station: 5-25 MW

Length: 182 km

Type of technology employed

Bi-directional gas interconnector between the high-pressure natural gas systems in Greece and Bulgaria.

Technical capacity of up to 3bcm/year, capable to be increased to 5bcm /year with additional installation of a compressor station.

Commissioning date

2020

Financial assistance under the European Energy Programme for Recovery (EEPR)

2009-2014

EEPR financial support: EUR 45,000,000

Project of Common Interest: Greece-Bulgaria Gas interconnector

Corridor: North-South gas interconnections in Central Eastern and South Eastern Europe



— PCI 6.8.1 - Gas pipeline
— Existing pipeline network

Projects belonging to cluster 6.8

— Gas pipeline

Source: PLATTS, GISCO, European Commission

NB: The project location as depicted on the map is indicative only.

Particular benefits of this project

The IGB will enable gas supplies from the Southern Corridor and Greek LNG to reach Bulgaria and travel north to the rest of southeastern Europe, flowing on to Central Europe. It will also integrate the existing LNG terminal in Revythousa and potentially link up with the new LNG project in Alexandroupolis, northern Greece that has already been planned.

The project will enable diversification of energy sources in a region that is particularly vulnerable to supply disruptions. This will reinforce security of supply, and ultimately provide consumers in the region with a cheaper and more stable supply of gas.

What are Projects of Common Interest?

Projects of common interest (PCIs) are key infrastructure projects, especially cross-border projects that link the energy systems of EU countries. They are intended to help the EU achieve its energy policy and climate objectives: affordable, secure and sustainable energy for all citizens, and the long-term decarbonisation of the economy in accordance with the Paris Agreement.