

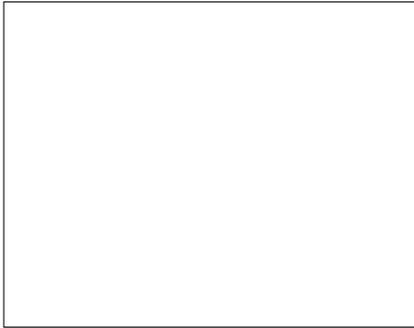
# Construction of a gas pipeline interconnecting the offshore gas pipeline with the national gas transmission system



The construction of the gas pipeline connecting the offshore gas pipeline with the National Transmission System is directly related to the Baltic Pipe Project. More information about the Baltic Pipe Project can be found at [www.baltic-pipe.eu](http://www.baltic-pipe.eu)

## Description of the Investment

The offshore gas pipeline will land at the Baltic Sea shore in the West Pomerania Voivodeship in Pogorzelica (Niechorze) or Rogowo.



Depending on the selected route of the offshore gas pipeline and its landing at the Baltic Sea shore, the route of the designed gas pipeline connecting the offshore gas pipeline with the National Transmission System may be one of the following:

liechorze-Ploty gas pipeline section (preferred): West Pomerania Voivodeship, Rewal, Karnice, Trzebiatów, Gryfice, and Ploty communes and municipalities;

ogowo-Ploty gas pipeline section (alternative): West Pomerania Voivodeship, Trzebiatów, Gryfice, and Ploty communes and municipalities;

loty-Goleniów gas pipeline section: West Pomerania Voivodeship, Ploty, Nowogard, Osina, Goleniów, and Maszewo communes and municipalities.

The Gas Receiving Terminal will be located in Konarzew (preferably) or in Roby (alternatively).

The onshore gas pipeline from the first dry weld to the Gas Receiving Terminal will have a nominal diameter of DN 900.

The onshore gas pipeline from the Gas Receiving Terminal to the existing Goleniów Gas Compressor Station (in the selected variant of implementation) will have a nominal diameter of DN 1000.

## Investment implementation benefits

The construction of the gas pipeline connecting the offshore gas pipeline through the off-shore terminal with the National Transmission System will enable to collect gas from Norway and transmit gas in two directions, i.e. from Norway to Poland in the quantity of 10 billion m<sup>3</sup>/year and from Poland to Denmark in the quantity of 3 billion m<sup>3</sup>/year. The implementation of this investment will contribute to optimisation of the capacity of the Polish transmission system and will constitute an important element of the North-South Gas Corridor in Europe.

In addition, the Baltic Pipe Project, of which this investment is part, will strengthen Poland's energy security. The construction of the new transmission infrastructure will also affect the development of the gas market and its competitiveness.

The property tax paid annually by GAZ-SYSTEM will also be an important benefit for the municipalities and communes in which the investment is to be carried out.

## Advancement of work

In December 2017, GAZ-SYSTEM concluded a contract for the development of design documentation with a consortium of PGNiG Gazoprojekt S.A. and ILF Consulting Engineers Polska Sp. z o.o. The party responsible for developing the design was selected as a result of a tender procedure.

Under the contract, the Designer will be obliged to obtain all necessary agreements, approvals, opinions, permits, and decisions, as well as to exercise author's supervision of the investment. In the first quarter of 2020, it is planned to obtain a Building Permit Decision and the investment will be completed in the third quarter of 2022.

## EU funding

The Baltic Pipe project – of which the investment consisting in the construction of the gas pipeline connecting the offshore gas pipeline with the National Transmission System – is co-financed by the European Union under the Connecting Europe Facility (CEF) programme.

## Project of Common Interest

The Baltic Pipe Project has been recognised by the European Commission as a "Project of Common Interest" (PCI). The status is granted to infrastructure projects aimed at strengthening the European internal energy market, pursuing the EU's energy policy objectives of providing affordable, secure, and renewable energy.

The PCI status highlights the role of the Baltic Pipe Project in the Baltic Sea Region and Central and Eastern Europe, its particular importance for increasing security and diversification of natural gas supplies in Europe and building an integrated and competitive gas market.

Pursuant to the EU Regulation 347/2013, the PCI status ensures streamlining of the planning and permitting process, and access to administrative bodies to obtain the required decisions. It shortens and simplifies the decision-making process and makes the process transparent and allows for public participation.

GAZ-SYSTEM implements the investment in compliance with the rights of all stakeholders. We encourage you to comment and ask questions about the construction of the gas pipeline project, which was granted the Project of Common Interest status, using the [form](#).

## Legal basis

The project will be implemented pursuant to the provisions of the Act of 24 April 2009 on investments in the field of re-gasification terminal for liquefied natural gas in *winouj cie*, Journal of Laws of 4 June 2009, as amended.

## Public consultations

In December 2018, GAZ-SYSTEM held a series of consultation meetings in 8 municipalities and communes where gas pipelines connecting the offshore gas pipeline with the National Transmission System are designed. The meetings were open and addressed to all stakeholders. The purpose of the consultations was to provide information on the Baltic Pipe Project as well as to prepare the local community for statutory environmental consultations. As a result of the meetings, the stakeholders were able to provide the Investor with comments and requests concerning the investment at the design stage, even before applying for the environmental decision.

## Environmental consultations

On 8 February 2019, the Regional Director for Environmental Protection in Szczecin informed of instituting a proceeding to issue an Environmental Decision for the project entitled "The Investment Constituting the Infrastructure Necessary for the International Operation of the Baltic Pipe Connecting the Transmission Systems of the Republic of Poland and the Kingdom of Denmark – the Onshore Part".

We encourage you to read the [announcement](#).

On 6 March 2019, the Regional Director for Environmental Protection in Szczecin made public the information about the commencement of the environmental impact assessment for the project entitled "The Investment Constituting the Infrastructure Necessary for the International Operation of the Baltic Pipe Connecting the Transmission Systems of the Republic of Poland and the Kingdom of Denmark – the Onshore Part" under the proceedings aiming at issuing the environmental decision for the project.

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## Press release

25.01.2019 [Nearly 215 mln € of the European Union Financial assistance for the Baltic Pipe construction works.](#)

19.12.2018 [GAZ-SYSTEM will be the gas transmission system operator for the part of the Baltic Pipe infrastructure located in Denmark](#)

30.11.2018 [Final investment decisions for the Baltic Pipe Project are made](#)

17.07.2018 [UE grants another subsidy to Baltic Pipe under the CEF 2018](#)

20.06.2018 [GAZ-SYSTEM accept the recommended route variant of the Baltic Pipe pipeline](#)