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- 1. The measures adopted after gas crisis in January 2009 enhanced security of natural gas supply. Reverse flows of gas, additional diversified gas supply contracts, interoperability of the gas dispatch centres became the standard tools which are used in Central European Gas Industry, and especially in V4 countries. Despite the last crisis the natural gas has to have permanent position in the V4 countries energy mixes, as a clean, affordable, safe and reliable energy source.
- 2. V4 Gas Associations support the recommendation contained in the Declaration of the Budapest V4+ Energy Security Summit, mainly construction of the North South interconnector through all V4 countries, between the planned Polish and Croatian Liquefied Natural Gas Terminals. A truly functioning energy market needs sufficient interconnection of energy networks.
 Nabucco transit pipeline project represents diversification of gas supply sources, not only diversification of transport lines. Therefore this project can enhance the safety

of gas supplies to the Central Europe.

- 3. Natural gas consumption of V4 region represents currently more than 40 bcm a year. There is growth potential up to in the year. There is a lack of well prepared short terms forecasts and basements for long term predictions.
 Concerning to gas market opening is situation different among V4 member states.
 Regulation in V4 countries is far from stable, predictable and efficient except Czech Republic, resulting in lack of progress. What we need is less regulation and more industry driven action. We need an open access to all data regulatory records and agreed in 3rd Package.
- 4. The gas consumption in V4 countries has dropped due to financial and economical crisis. Potential recovery of gas consumption is seen in energy sector. However, new investments in gas fired electricity generation require stable and predictable regulatory environment in relation to pricing regulation and environmental policy. Special attention should be put on ensuring stable and long term supporting schemes for high efficient gas fired cogeneration in all V4 countries.

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