

Regulation on guidelines for trans-European energy infrastructure

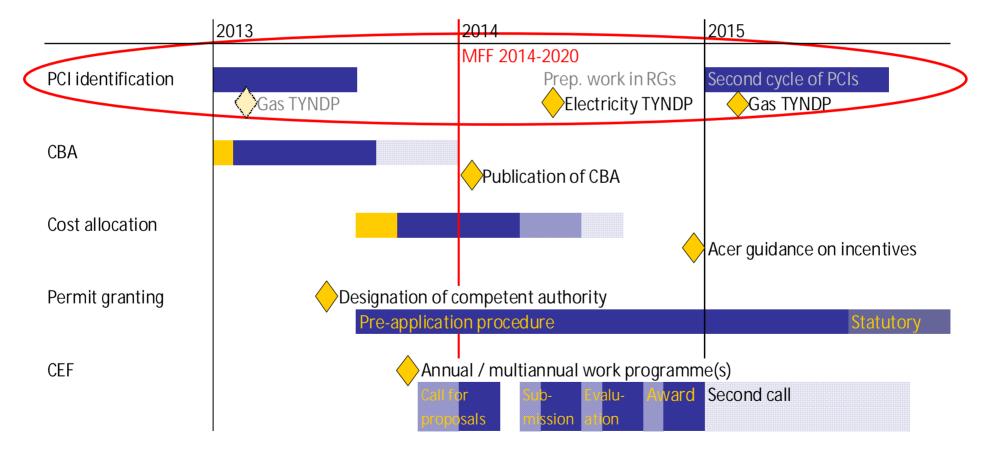
Identification of Projects of Common Interest: State of play and way forward in 2012

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General timeline for implementation of the energy infrastructure Regulation





Proposed role of regional group for PCI identification (electricity & gas)

cation Proparation	Annex III.1.1, 3 and 4	 Establishment of a Regional Group composed of MS representatives, NRAs, TSOs, project promoters, Commission, ACER, ENTSOs à include relevant third countries and stakeholders 				
	A III.1.2	2) Each Group to organise its workload in line with other regional cooperation efforts				
	A III.2	 Project promoters to submit application to Groups, based on TYNDP in electricity (from 2013) and gas (from 2015) 				
dentifi	Article 3.3	4) Each Group to draw up a proposed list of PCIs , based on criteria included in Article 4 and "new" CBA (Article 12) with Member State approval				
	Art. 3.4	5) By 31/1/2013 , Group to transmit proposed list to ACER				
Selection	Art. 3.5	 By 30/4/2013, ACER to transmit opinion to the Commission (from earliest 2014, taking into account "new" CBA) 				
	Art. 3.6	8) By 31/7/2012 , Commission decision on Union-wide PCI list				
	Process repeated every 2 years					



Preparing for the PCI identification Objectives

- New EIP approach: regional cooperation on infrastructure à combination of top-down priorities and bottom-up identification
- Link regional cooperation on market integration / coupling, balancing, congestion management with work on infrastructure
- Innovative governance: engage all relevant stakeholders (MSs, NRAs, TSOs/operators) in each region



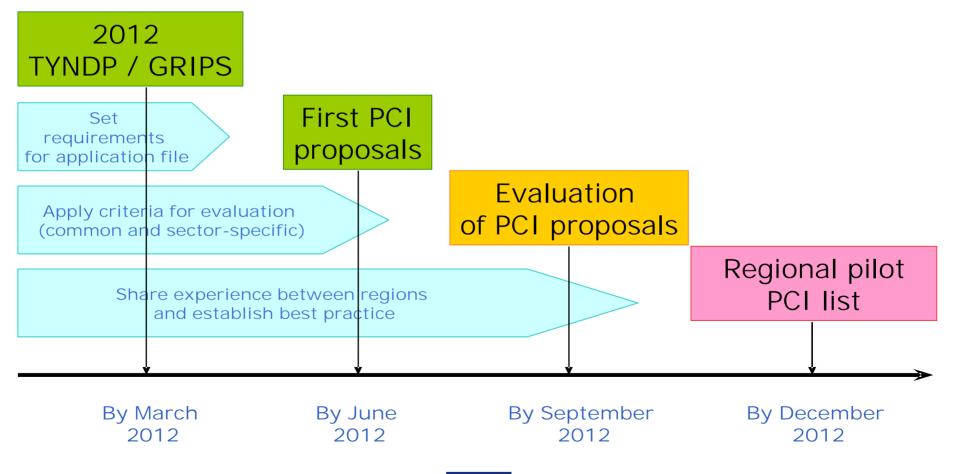


Preparing for the PCI identification Commission proposal

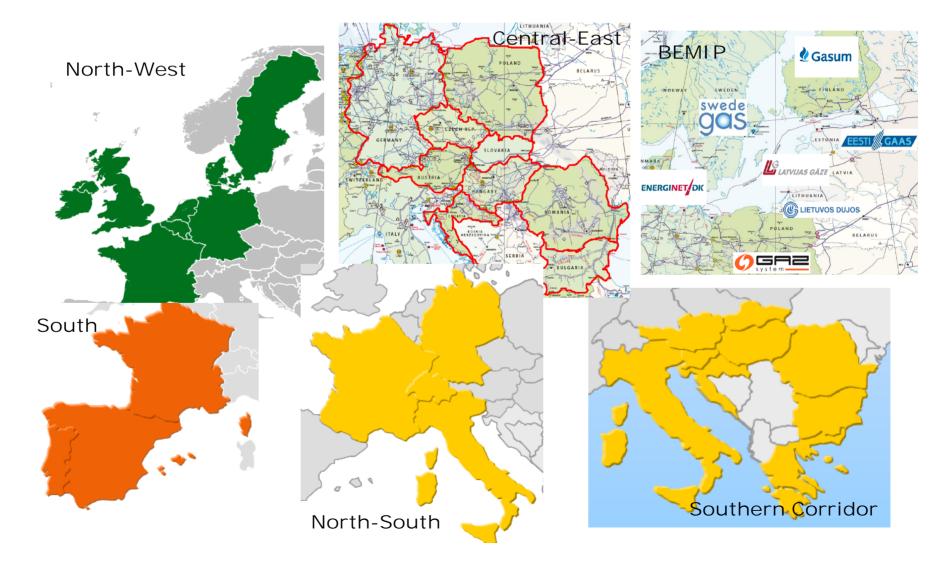
- Use 2012 as <u>preparatory year</u> in view of establishing the regional groups formally once the Regulation is adopted in order to:
 - Test the process for PCI identification proposed in the Regulation through a pilot exercice in each of region
 - Agree on priority-specific aspects of the proposed methodology, notably with regard to criteria
 - Come up by end 2012 with a list of potential PCIs
 - Create the necessary synergies between existing regional cooperation fora, notably Regional Initiatives
- Steps proposed:
 - Establish working groups in each region
 - Define outputs for end 2012, working methods, roles and timeline
 - Use external consultants, where needed, to assist in evaluating proposed projects (Commission budget foreseen for each region)



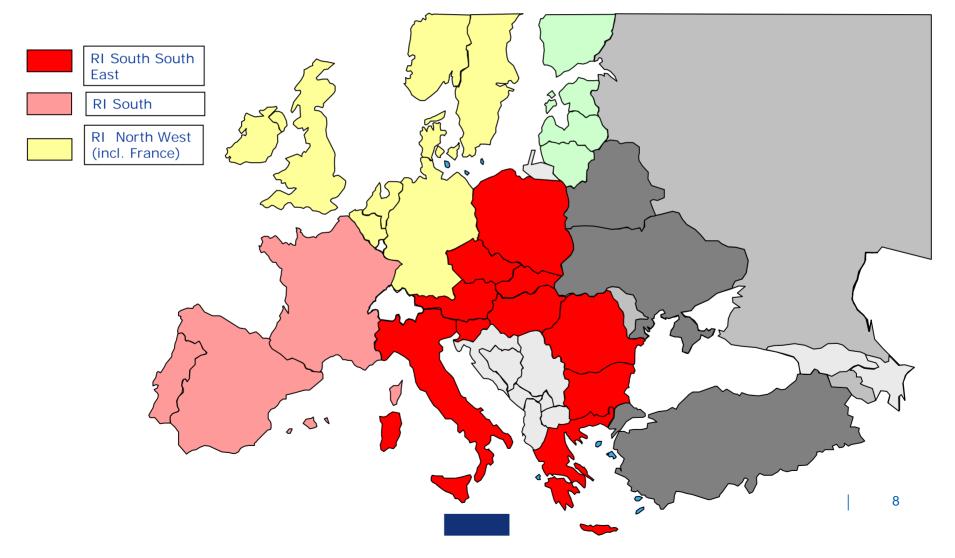
Preparing for the PCI identification Proposed timeline for each priority



ENTSO-G gas regions (GRIPs)









North-South corridor in Western EU

Priority corridor	Member States	Existing groups	Proposed way forward
NS West	BE, FR, DE, IE, IT, LU, MT, NL, PT, ES, UK	 3 ENTSOG regions "South", "North-West" & "North-South" 2 GRI (South and North-West) Gas Platform (MS lead) 	 Ad-hoc group divided into sub-groups Consultant recommended





Role of Member States & synergies with Regional Initiatives Towards post-2012

- Each group should have a steering committee composed of Member States, ACER, ENTSOs and the Commission. All other group members should report to this committee.
- Existing Regional Initiative groups should be used to ensure complementarity of new projects with measures for existing infrastructure (capacity allocation, congestion management etc.):
 - Regional Coordination Committees
 - Implementation Group and
 - Stakeholder Group for stakeholder consultation





Other proposed roles of regional groups for PCI implementation & monitoring (article 5)

