**SGRI WORK PLAN 2021-2022**

**TARGET 1. INFRASTRUCTURES**

Follow-up work

* Follow-up of infrastructure development (PCIs, TYNDP, GRIP…)
* Calculation of capacity at VIPs
* Offer, allocation and use of capacity at VIPs
* Gas flows in the Region
* Expiration of LT contracts
* Secondary market and transfer of use

The aim is to be up-to-date on the developments that may affect infrastructures in the Region and participate closely in the adoption of the PCIs list, as well as in the elaboration of the TYNDP and regional network plans. It is also important to promote a higher use of interconnections and to offer the maximum capacity and to follow up the proper functioning of the capacity allocation mechanisms set in the CAM NC.

**TARGET 2. MARKET INTEGRATION IN THE REGION**

Follow-up work

* Follow-up of market integration in the Region: flows, price spreads and regulated tariffs in interconnections.
* Assessment of the evolution of gas prices and hubs liquidity.
* Keep on supporting the inclusion of the Portuguese side in MIBGAS.
* Once Portuguese side has joined MIBGAS, monitoring the well-functioning of the market, in particular, with regard to the interactions between explicit and implicit allocation.
* Impact of market dynamics and national regulatory developments on the use of the VIPs.
* NRAs recommendations and conclusions.

The Initiative will continue supporting, monitoring and assessing the progress of market integration in the Region and the functioning of the markets. In VIP Iberico, the Initiative will keep on supporting the Spanish-Portuguese market integration towards the Iberian gas market. The Initiative will keep on monitoring any change in market dynamics or regulatory national developments impacting on the use of the VIPs.

Deliverable

* *Implementation of allocation of interruptible capacity in a coordinated way and implicit allocation in VIP Ibérico (2021).*
* *Study on the viability of cross-border balancing operations in VIP Iberico (or ‘in the region ‘) (2022)*

Moving forward to further integration of the Iberian market, the Initiative will work on the implementation of the allocation of interruptible capacity in a coordinate way and, once Portuguese products start negotiating in MIBGAS, on the revision of rules of implicit allocation mechanism and its implementation,

**TARGET 3. CONTRIBUTION OF GASES TO DECARBONISATION**

Follow-up work

* Sharing good practices/pilot projects (hydrogen for mobility, certificates of origin, impact of renewable gases on gas quality…), as well as related regulatory developments in the member countries.
* Follow-up on discussions on renewable gases implementation.
* Contribution of the SGRI countries to the EU strategies on hydrogen and new gases.
* The role of gases, in particular for mobility.

Achieving a low-carbon energy sector is one of the priorities for Europe in the next years. In line with the EU strategies on gases, namely hydrogen, low carbon gases, P2G, the Initiative can contribute to European goals by proving a forum where participants can exchange experiences, promote the use of renewable gases and coordinate implementation of a balanced mix of energy sources and technologies.

**TARGET 4. ANY OTHER ITEM FOR DISCUSSION**

* Follow up of new gas legislation and potential impact on the Region.
* Development common position papers in the Region, if needed, related to new gas legislation and EU strategies.
* "Abolition of summer time changes" as per new EU Directive proposal - analysis of impacts and implementation (depending on the progress of European regulation to this respect), when the Directive is approved.