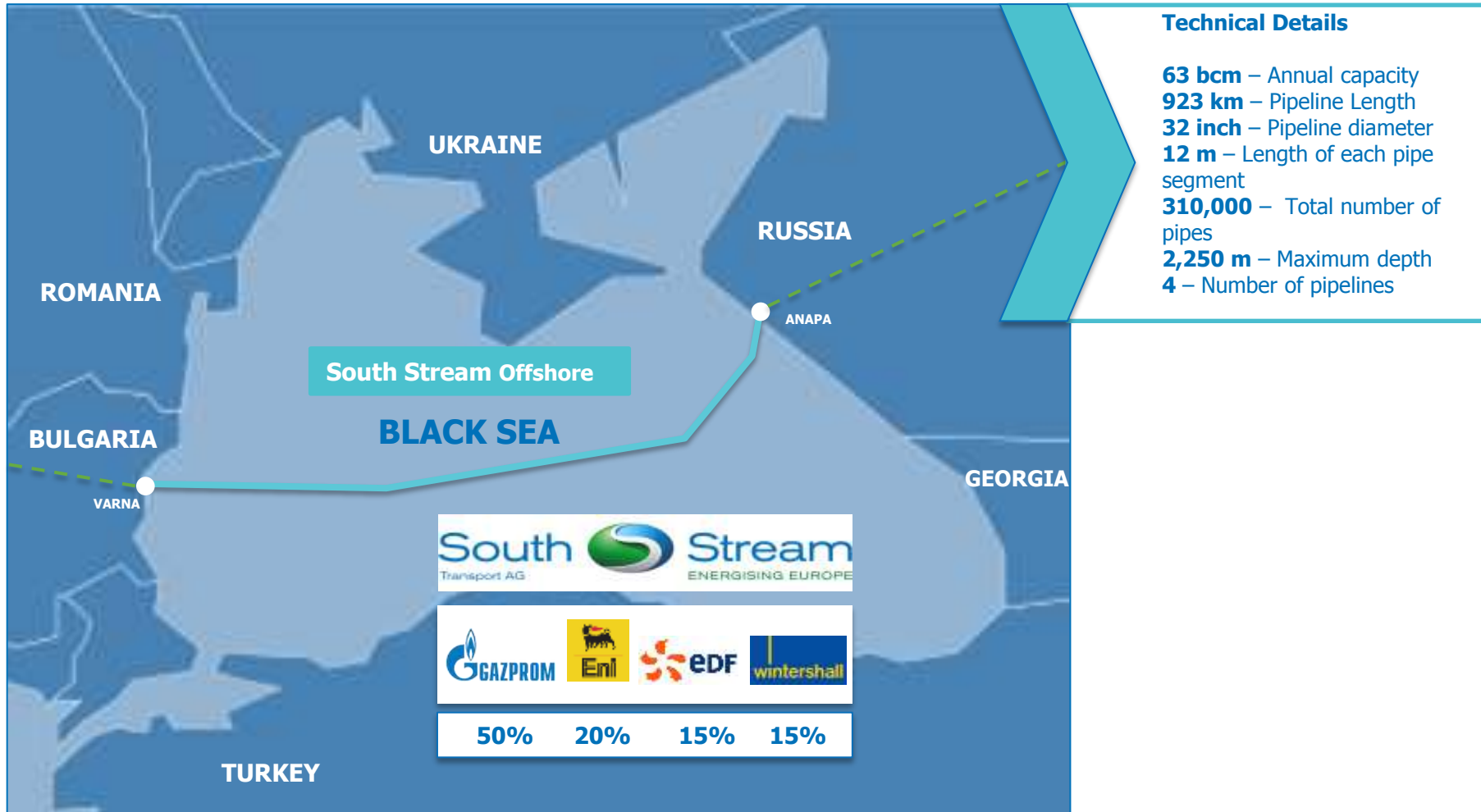


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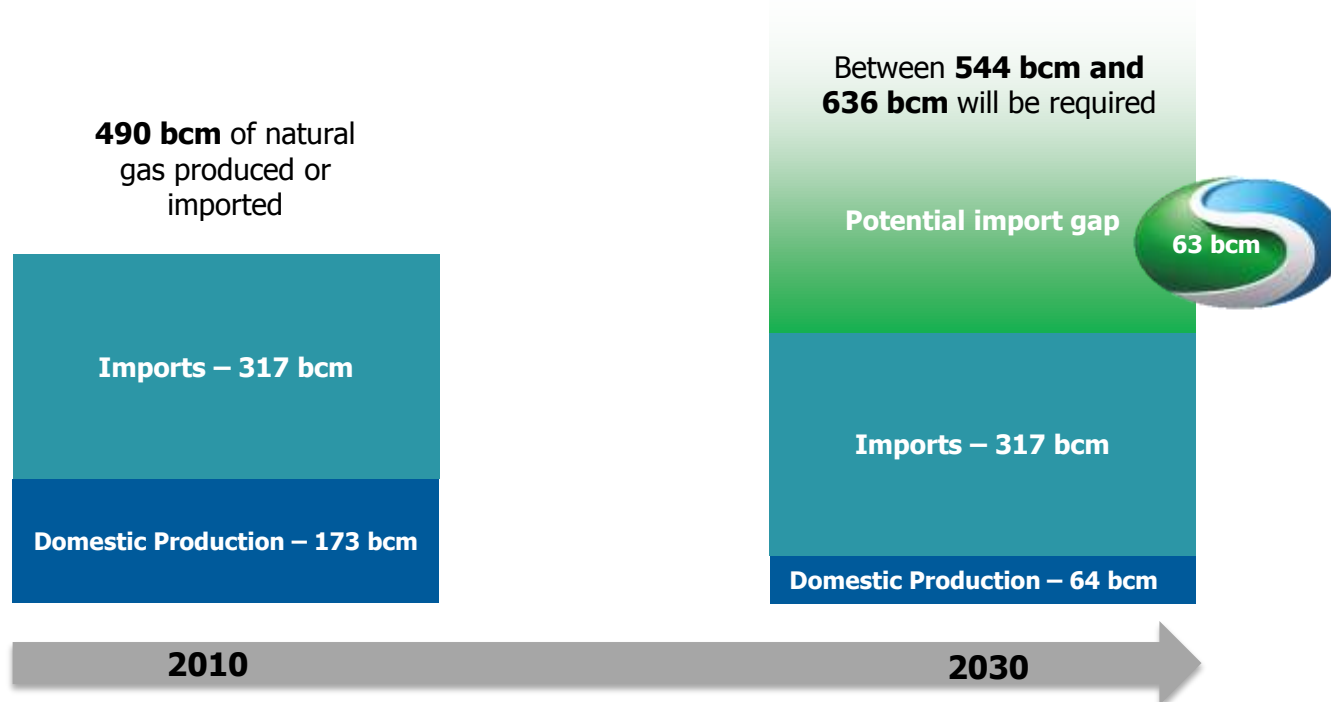
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South Stream Offshore Route through the Black Sea



Europe's Growing Energy Demand

- While Europe's gas consumption is rising, domestic production is declining
- Natural gas delivered by the South Stream Offshore Pipeline will partially fill Europe's import gap



Engineering and Design

- Consolidated Feasibility Study completed in the third quarter of 2011
- Front End Engineering and Design (FEED) contract awarded to INTECSEA BV (Netherlands) in February 2012
- Further milestones in 2012
 - FEED completion
 - Third-party certification
 - Tenders for materials and installation contracts



Permitting and Environmental and Social Impact Assessments (ESIA)

- Permits to construct and operate the pipeline needed from Russia, Turkey and Bulgaria
- ESIA processes being conducted in Russia, Turkey and Bulgaria
- International consultation process in line with requirements of the Espoo Convention (UNECE Convention on Environmental Impact Assessment in a Transboundary Context) involving all Black Sea countries
- Further milestones in 2012
 - National submissions of permit applications and ESIA's
 - Public participation phase in Black Sea countries



Project Financing

- Project financed by shareholders' equity and international lenders
- Budget determined upon completion of technical design and finalisation of key tenders for pipe supply, pipe laying and coating, and logistics
- Private financing transparency in line with international standards (e.g. IFC Performance Standards)
- Financial advisers: Crédit Agricole Corporate and Investment Bank, ING Bank N.V. and RPFB Project Finance Ltd
- Further milestones in 2012
 - Final Investment Decision (FID)



South Stream Offshore Project – Well on track

