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BALANCING THE GLOBAL GAS MARKET: NORTHWEST EUROPE AS THE PIVOT POINT?

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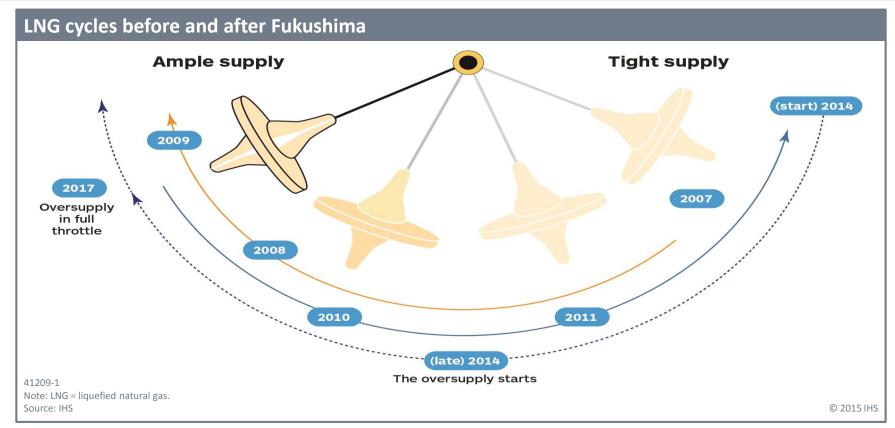
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The emerging global oversupply

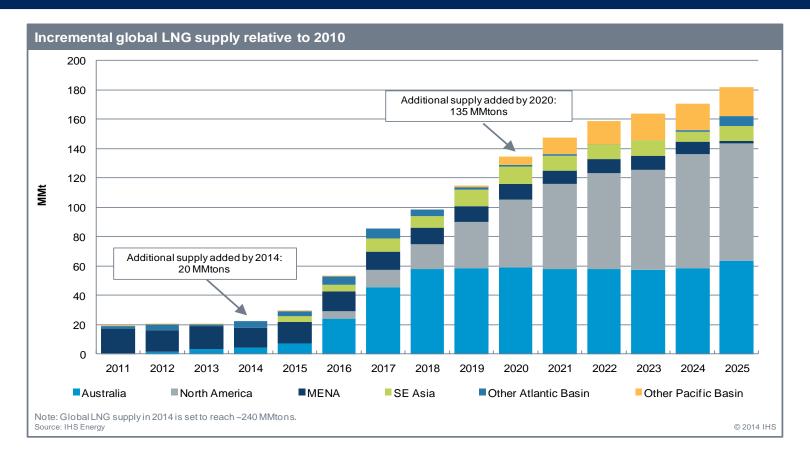
- The global gas market will move from tight to loose in the next 2-3 years
- Production growth is expected to exceed demand in premium markets

Deliveries to Europe set to grow as a result

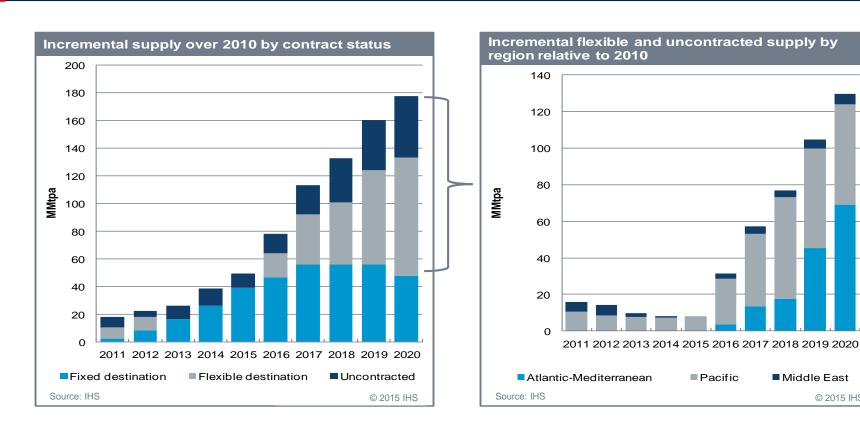
The LNG market is swinging toward looseness



Global LNG supply set to grow significantly from 2016



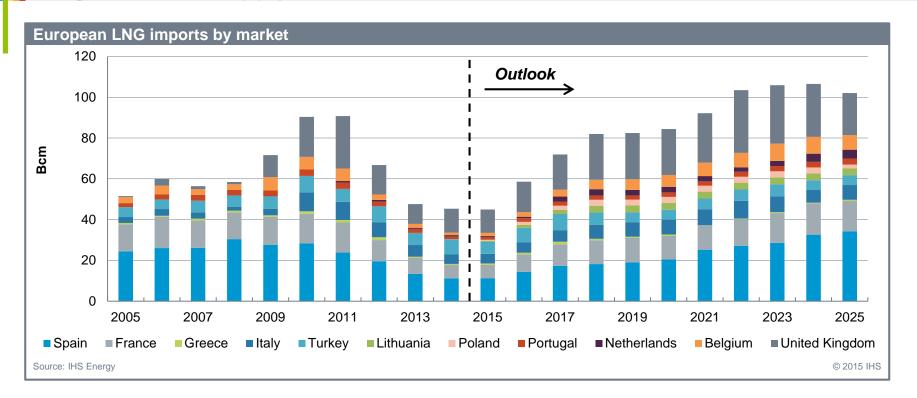
Part of the growth in global supply is non-dedicated and looking for markets



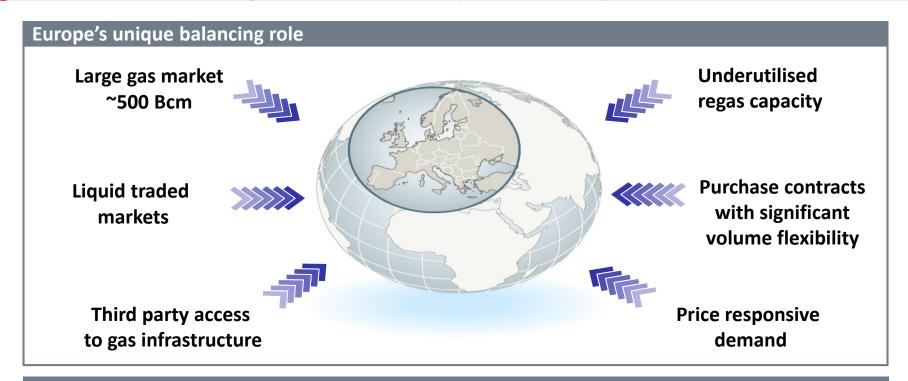
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LNG imports into Europe likely to start to pick up substantially from 2017 as global LNG supply increases

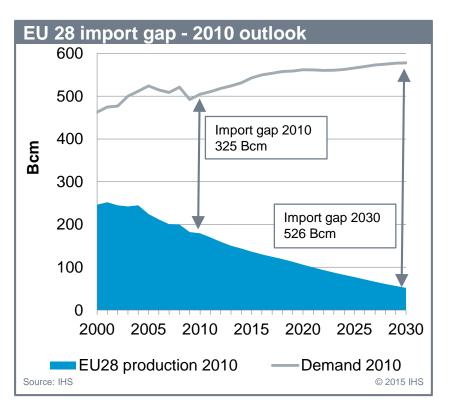


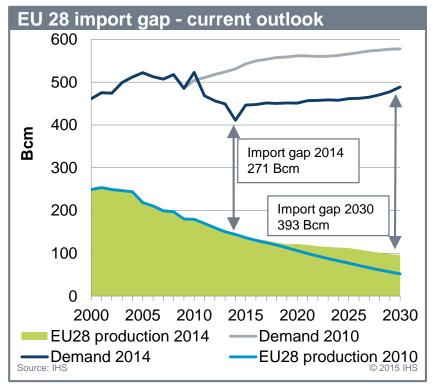
The European gas market: The intersection of global LNG and pipeline supply



LNG unable to find a market elsewhere is expected to arrive in Europe, but how will the European market, and Europe's incumbent suppliers, respond?

The outlook for EU28 import requirement in 2030 has dropped 133 Bcm (25%) since 2010





Many producers—with very different profiles—are looking to supply the European market

- Dutch production capped from the Groningen field
- Limited growth prospects in rest of Europe
- ...except for shale, but many above ground constraints

Substantial transport capacity to Europe

Reserve potential very high

 Much infrastructure that is depreciated – ability to supply at low cost

Indigenous Production Russia pipeline

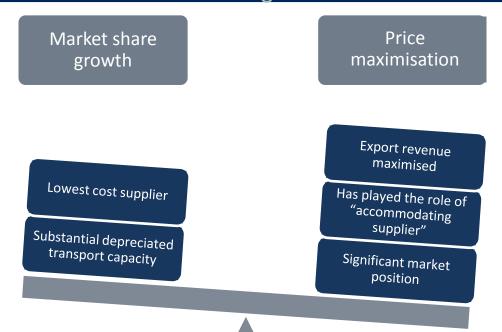
Other
Pipeline
Norwegian supplies unlikely to increase

- above current level roughly 100 bcmAlgeria has potential to increase volumes
- Southern corridor volumes to core Europe likely to be limited

LNG

 Significant regas capacity in Europe currently only 1/3 of existing capacity is utilized

The *traditional* Russian supply choice: Price maximisation over market share growth



Strategy most clearly seen following the 2008 recession and the flood of LNG to Europe, but also seen earlier—e.g. when major Norwegian infrastructure brought on

The *new* Russian supply choice?: Defend market share

Defend market share Price maximisation Lessons from the oil market/ New contract structure US energy revolution real—LNG contracts continue to be signed Security of supply concerns limit market Stagnant demand in share growth Europe/ Significant market position Lowest cost supplier

Previous periods of oversupply in the gas market were felt to be short-lived—if this time it is sustained (or Russia believe it to be so) the supply choice could change

Balancing the global gas market: Northwest Europe as the pivot point?

- The global gas market is moving from a period of tightness to oversupply
 - Premium markets in Asia, and elsewhere, are unable to absorb the full volume
 - Deliveries to Europe expected to climb very sharply particularly in 2017-2018
- The response of Europe's traditional pipeline suppliers (especially Russia) will drive global gas prices in the medium term
 - Will Russia continue to act as the "accommodating" supplier supporting prices around todays levels?
 - Will Russia seek to defend market share, potentially pushing prices down to levels at which LNG supply would reduce?
- Weak demand in the Russian domestic market and in Europe, and rapidly growing contracts for US LNG, may trigger a change in strategy

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