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“Shale gas in Poland: a battle between politics, business, and society.”

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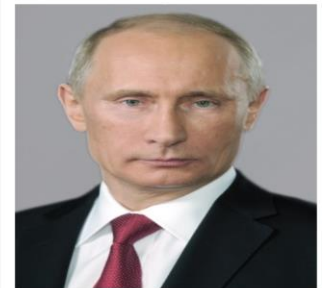
Content - Three factors determining corporate behaviour

1. (Geo)politics
2. National legislation
3. Society



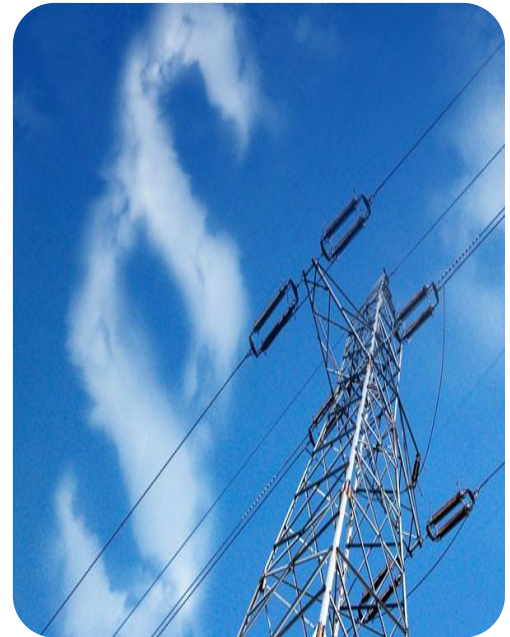
(Geo)politics

1. Strong political support for shale gas.
2. (In)security of gas supplies
3. Dependency on imports of Russian natural gas
 - 9.3 bcm, equivalent to 57% of total natural gas consumption (Eurogas: 2014).



National law on exploration & production of shale gas

1. Amended in August 2014
2. In theory: meant to investment by providing legislative clarity and transparency.
3. In practice: more power to the state.



Society

1. Support of the general public.
2. Potential environmental risks associated with fracking:
 - water contamination,
 - contamination of soil
 - air pollution.
3. Occupy Chevron Movement



**Chevron:
STAND DOWN!**

Chevron is turning to Polish farmland to frack next. Polish farmers, defending their own land, have been in a stand-off for over a week, calling themselves "Occupy Chevron", and they need our help. They know that farming and poisoned water from fracking don't mix.

LIKE and **SHARE** if you stand with the farmers.



Conclusions

1. Politics, law, and society form a complex relationship that affect corporate behavior in Poland with different results.
2. Series of measures should be taken at national and regional levels.
3. At present, the future of Polish shale gas is uncertain.