

GIE appoints Thierry Deschuyteneer as new GIE Executive Secretary

The GIE Board has unanimously appointed Thierry Deschuyteneer as new GIE Executive Secretary as of 1 October 2013. Thierry Deschuyteneer has worked for more than 10 years for Fluxys in technical and regulatory departments. In this function he followed closely the European regulatory developments and European energy policy initiatives. During the last 3 years, he chaired the GIE Communication & Strategy Task Force and acted as Vice-Chair of the GasNaturally initiative. Upon his appointment, Thierry Deschuyteneer said: "I am honoured to be entrusted the management of GIE and would like to thank the GIE Board. I am confident that GIE will continue to provide added value to the market and its members through the know-how and voluntary initiatives. I am looking forward to my new tasks."

Note to Editors

Gas Infrastructure Europe (GIE) is an association representing the interests of European natural gas infrastructure operators active in natural gas transmission, storage and LNG regasification. GIE is a trusted partner of European institutions, regulatory bodies and industry stakeholders. It is based in Brussels, the heart of European policymaking.

GIE currently represents 69 member companies from 25 countries. Its internal structure has three columns corresponding to the three types of infrastructure activities represented: GTE (Gas Transmission Europe), GSE (Gas Storage Europe) and GLE (Gas LNG Europe), all of which fall under the umbrella of GIE. This structure allows member companies to speak with one voice on infrastructure topics as well as to build positions on column-specific issues.

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