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## Global Natural Gas Insights - 2019 Edition



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The International Gas Union has released the second edition of the Global Natural Gas Insights.

The handy booklet 2019 edition contains the latest information on natural gas and its role in helping economies grow, lifting people out of poverty, and cleaning up the environment, while supporting reliable access to modern energy.

This edition also contains a special section on methane emissions, and the opportunities that their further reductions present for the industry.

The International Gas Union (IGU) issues response

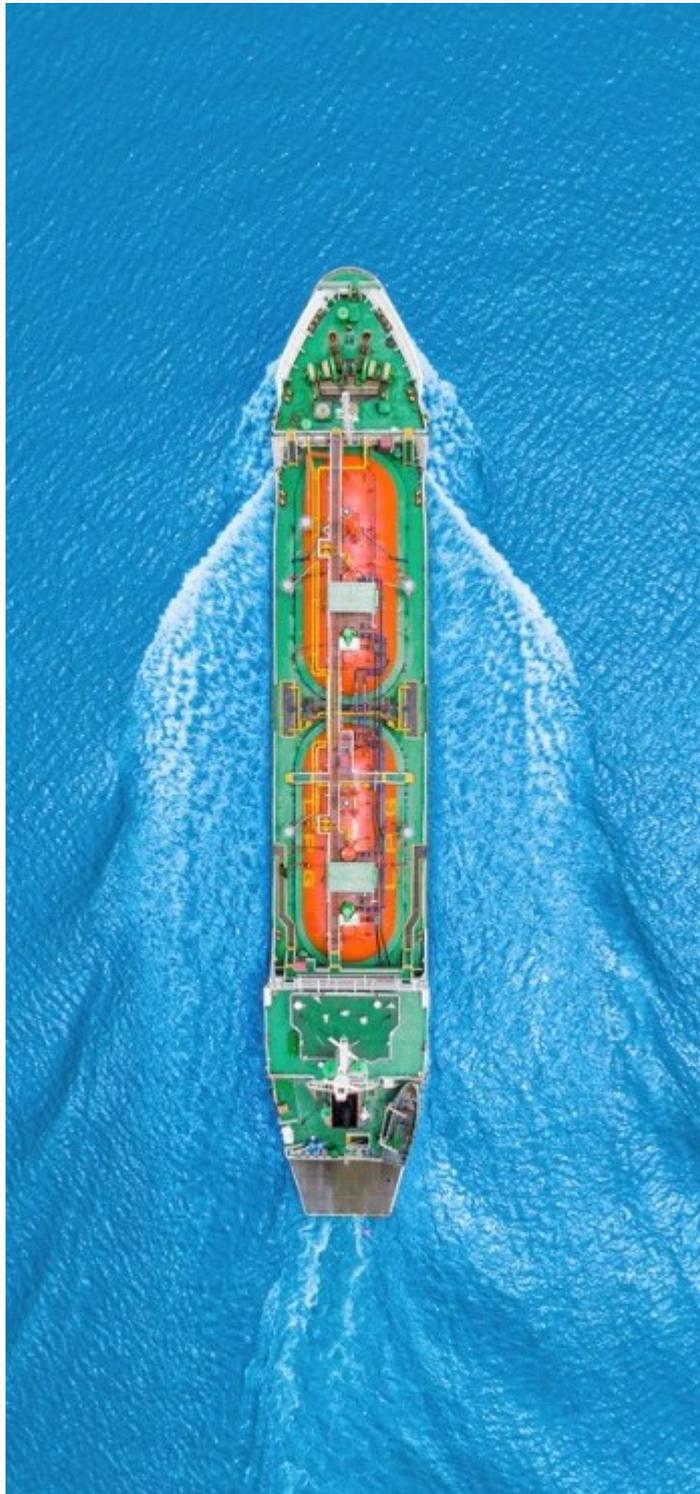
to the Global Energy Monitor report titled, The  
New Gas Boom: Tracking Global LNG  
Infrastructure

There was significant media coverage of a report that was released by Global Energy Monitor titled "[The New Gas Boom: Tracking Global LNG Infrastructure](#)".

Ted Nace, founder and director of the Global Energy Monitor, said in an interview. *"We know that LNG is not a good answer climate-wise. It might even be pretty foolish financially — for all the reasons that coal turned out to be a bad investment 10 years ago."*

Nace said that natural gas can no longer credibly be viewed as a bridge fuel between coal and renewables because of methane leaks. These accidental emissions occur during drilling, in the pipelines or during delivery.

In response to the many outlets that have carried the story, including, CNN, The Guardian, Al Jazeera, Xinhuanet, France24, CBC, Globe and Mail, Anadolu Agency, Huffington Post, just to name a few, the IGU issued the below press release.



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## **IGU commentary on Methane Emissions**

Last year, the Directorate General for Energy of the European Commission requested the development of a report presenting the current state of industry activity on methane emissions in the European Union (EU), and beyond. Marcogaz and Gas Infrastructure Europe (GIE) led the development of this report. The IGU supported the development of this report which was presented at the Madrid Forum this past June.

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**IGU worked together with our Group of Methane experts and released its support by reinforcing many of the very important elements contained in the report.**

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## **IGU IN THE MEDIA**

Prof. Joe M Kang discusses how flexible supplies from countries such as the US, Australia and Russia will bring about more short-term trading and a new wave of commoditization.



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## IGU EXTERNAL ENGAGEMENTS



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The International Gas Union (IGU) and the Japan Gas Association held the Natural Gas Day 2019 on 12th June in Tokyo. The event was organized on the occasion of the G20 Energy and Environment Ministerial and was only one of three events being featured at the official G20 Japan Presidency side-events listing.

Key Asian stakeholders from the energy sector and G20

representatives from 18 countries participated in the meeting. The theme of the event was "Securing Transparency, Competitiveness and Enhancing Security of Gas Market in Asia"

IGU President, Mr. Kang together with Mr. Hirose of the Japan Gas Association following a press conference IGU delivered the IGU-JGA Gas Day Communiqué to H.E. Hiroshige Seko, Minister of Economy, Trade and Industry of Japan.

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## **IGU President speaks at 20th Asia Oil and Gas Conference.**

On June 23-25 in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia leaders of the Asian gas industry gathered together to discuss the energy transition and the market focusing on Forging A New Energy Future at the 20th Asia Oil and Gas Conference (AOGC). IGU President Joe Kang made a presentation on Beyond Energy Trilemma: Natural Gas as the Vital Component of a Sustainable Energy Future.



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**We hope to see you at one of the next IGU events soon**



The IGU has once again partnered with the **Latin America & Caribbean Gas Conference & Exhibition (LGC)**. Network with 250 Latin America energy leaders in this conference dedicated to promote investment in the gas sector and discuss key natural gas opportunities in the region. Join Energy Ministers and the LGC Advisory Board from 14-15th November in Lima, Peru. Visit [http://bit.ly/IGU\\_LGC2019](http://bit.ly/IGU_LGC2019) for more information.

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**International Gas Union Research Conference**

24<sup>th</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup> February 2020 | Muscat, Sultanate of Oman

### **IGRC2020 Abstract submission Deadline Extended Until 15th SEPTEMBER 2019!**

Don't miss the opportunity to make your mark, share your technology insights and be part of the global discussion on the important role of innovation and research. IGRC2020 taking place 24-26 February 2020, Sultanate of Oman.

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**WGC 2021**  
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Preparations for the 28th World Gas Conference are well underway and the National Organizing Committee recently announced the Plenary Session topics to be discussed at the [WGC2021](#) in June 2021.

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