

“The Chengdu Call for Action”

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- From 3-4 September 2013, Northeast Asian Gas and Pipeline Forum (NAGPF) held the 13th International Conference on Northeast Asian Natural Gas and Pipeline in Chengdu, China. The representatives from organizations of member countries including China, Japan, Korea, Russia and Mongolia, as well as the oil companies and energy research institutions at home and abroad attended the conference. Participants made in-depth discussions about the theme of “Mechanism for Multilateral and Win-win Cooperation in Northeast Asian Gas and Pipeline” and reach a broad consensus.
- Currently, the world energy mix and global natural gas market are experiencing a new round of changing, showing a new trend that natural gas is hopeful to become the second largest energy in excess of coal, along with its continuously rising position in the global energy structure. The center of global natural gas consumption is moving eastward. The production center of world natural gas is gradually transferring westwards, and the trade pattern has been changed. North America is expected to become an important area of natural gas export.
- Asia is energetic in economic development. Its demands for energy continue to increase, and the transition to the pattern of low-carbon energy consumption is urgent and arduous. As a realistic way of

achieving the transition to the low carbon energy consumption, natural gas is facing historic opportunities and also challenges such as the prominent contradiction between supply and demand, high import dependence, weak infrastructure, low efficiency of utilizing structure, and big premium pressures caused by the pricing mechanism, etc. Building a new pattern of natural gas developing and utilizing in Asia has become a universal challenge worthy of global concern and response.

- Five member countries including China, Japan, Korea, Russia and Mongolia, are different in levels of social and economic development, resource endowment and energy mix, but have obvious regional advantages of promoting the exchanges and cooperation in regional gas, as well as the extensive homogeneity and complementarity. As expected, all member countries should adapt to the world energy structure and the evolution and development trend of natural gas market, innovative the ideas and ways of exchange and cooperation, improve the levels of cooperation and exchange, jointly meet challenges, and jointly build a new pattern for the sustained and stable development of natural gas in Northeast Asia and Asia.
- NAGPF 2013 Conference in Chengdu Initiatives:
 1. Advocate the win-win concept. Push forward to establish an inter-governmental (among five member countries) mechanism for exchange cooperation and coordination in natural gas, improve the policies and systems, and strengthen the support of exchanges and cooperation.
 2. Push forward the major cooperation projects. Play regional advantages, plan and build the interconnected national gas pipeline network, cooperate in the exploration and development of natural gas

and the construction of LNG facilities, and gradually nurture and form the energy link of Northeast Asia.

3. Expand fields of exchange and cooperation. Jointly analyze and evaluate the trends of natural gas markets in Asia and the world, and carry out the multi-level sharing and exchanges in talents, technologies and management experience about the natural gas.

4. Cooperate in study and innovation of Asian natural gas pricing mechanism, accelerate the establishment of platforms for natural gas spot trading and futures trading, strive for and safeguard own interests, and improve the statuses and influences in international trade.