

Entering the Austrian market as a gas trader

Information starter kit

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To enter the Austrian gas market as a full trader, you must comply with two types of obligations: there are conditions that must be fulfilled <u>before</u> you can take up activities, and there are tasks you must continuously fulfil <u>while</u> carrying out your activities.

BEFORE TAKING UP ACTIVITIES

A) Join the balancing system in the eastern market area

LEGAL BASIS

- > Sections 90, 91 and 93 <u>Gaswirtschaftsgesetz</u> (Gas Act) 2011
- > Sections 19, 20 and 37 <u>Gas-Marktmodell-Verordnung</u> (<u>Gas Market Model</u> Ordinance) 2020

DESCRIPTION

To trade gas in Austria, you must be part of a balance group (cf. <u>section 90(1) Gas Act 2011</u>). You have two options:

- > **Option I**: get licensed as a balance responsible party yourself (i.e. form a new balance group)
- > Option II: get affiliated with an already existing balance group

Option I is more complicated, technically more difficult and more expensive than option II.

Under option I, you can get registered with the other market players in the eastern market area via the market area and distribution area manager (MADAM), which acts as a one-stop shop. At the same time, you must contact E-Control to get your BRP licence (section 93 Gas Act 2011). For this purpose, we recommend that you ask E-Control in advance which documents need to be submitted and in which form. All required documents and the application should, however, be submitted to E-Control at the end of the registration process with the MADAM in bundled form. Once registered as a balance responsible party, you can set up new balance groups and must represent them vis-à-vis other system agents (market area and distribution area manager, operator of the virtual trading point and single clearing entity¹).

Steps to take for option I: becoming a BRP in the eastern market area

Your first point of contact to become a BRP in the eastern market area is the market area and distribution area manager; it coordinates the registration process with the

¹ The single clearing entity is the undertaking which has been appointed to be the clearing and settlement agent of a market area pursuant to the Gas Act 2011, and which exercises the tasks of a clearing and settlement agent under section 87 Gas Act 2011 and handles integrated market area balancing in the eastern, Tyrol and Vorarlberg market areas.

other system agents. Besides acting as distribution area manager, <u>Austrian Gas Grid Management AG (AGGM)</u> has also been the market area manager for the eastern market area since 1 June 2017, i.e. it is now the market area and distribution area manager (MADAM). AGGM will also provide you with the information and documents necessary to conclude contracts with the single clearing entity (AGCS) and the operator of the virtual trading point (CEGH). Even so, there is a range of operational checks that must be made, so you will most likely need to get in contact with the individual bodies anyways.

You also need a BRP licence from E-Control (<u>section 93 Gas Act 2011</u>). This is an official procedure, so it cannot be done through AGGM; you must contact us directly. We recommend that you start the licensing procedure only after you have registered with the MADAM. In fact, the MADAM must confirm that certain conditions are fulfilled for the official licensing process to move along.

In addition to registering with the market area and distribution area manager and getting a BRP licence from us, you may get registered at the gas exchange that runs on the virtual trading point <u>CEGH</u> and the single clearing entity (AGCS) You can kick off registration with the operator of the virtual trading point while the E-Control process is ongoing. Please take some time to study the relevant legal provisions (<u>section 91 Gas Act 2011</u> and <u>section 20 Gas Market Model Ordinance 2020</u>).

Registering with the market area and distribution area manager

- a. You can register with the MADAM here. You must first create a user account and then complement the requisite information in the password-protected area. If you represent an Austrian company but have not yet received an EIC X code, AGGM as local issuing office will create one for you.
- b. Next, your information is checked and a Y code for a balance group is issued. To register several balance groups, you can apply for additional Y codes in the password-protected area of the AGGM online platform.
- c. Once your information has been cleared, you must deposit securities with the relevant partners (i.e. CEGH and single clearing entity). They will conduct a credit check. You can find details about this step in the login area, where your registration status is shown.

Once you have completed the above steps, the MADAM will send you the forms for the contracts with each market participant so that you can sign them electronically.

To be active as a balance responsible party in the eastern market area, you will need the following contracts:

- > An agreement with the MADAM
- > An agreement with the operator of the virtual trading point



> If you have chosen to become a member of the gas exchange: an agreement with the gas exchange at the virtual trading point

The service provider DocuSign (compiles and) sends the contract forms to the e-mail addresses that you have indicated in the registration form as authorised signatories (and that have been checked and confirmed by the MADAM). Once they have been properly signed, the system forwards them automatically. After the signing procedure is concluded, you receive signed copies of the contracts for your files.

- d. Next, a number of checks must be run:
 - > Clearance by the <u>MADAM</u>. The market area and distribution area manager will clear you once it has properly signed the respective contracts.
 - > Clearance by the operator of the virtual trading point, once you have deposited the requisite securities.
 - > Clearance by the single clearing entity, once the credit check has been conducted and you have deposited the requisite securities.
 - > If you have chosen to become a member of the gas exchange, you must also fulfil the following conditions:
 - You are a member of EEX, enabled to trade at CEGH
 - You are a member of the clearing house <u>European Commodity Clearing</u> <u>AG (ECC)</u>
 - You have a contract with a clearing bank (for a list of currently active clearing banks provided by ECC, click <u>here</u>)
- e. As soon as all contract partners have confirmed clearance from their side through AGGM's platform, the MADAM sends a confirmation message and copies of the contracts necessary for the official licensing procedure to us. By now, you should have submitted all necessary documents in bundled form to us. If all other prerequisites are fulfilled, too, we issue an official licensing decision.
- f. It will then take at least two working days for the MADAM to clear you as a balance responsible party in the eastern market area. The MADAM coordinates this step with <u>European Energy Exchange (EEX)</u>, where your account should be activated at the same time; this is necessary so that you can trade and be cleared at the exchange.

If you have chosen to become a member of the gas exchange: Your account at European Energy Exchange (EEX) should be activated at the same time.

The following links offer further information about registering with the MADAM:

- > General information
- > Registering as a BRP
- > FAQ

Obtaining a licence from E-Control

To receive a BRP licence, you need to submit to us the documents listed below (s. section 93 Gas Act 2011). We can forward all forms upon request.

- I. The contracts you have concluded with the other market bodies through the MADAM. To make things easier for market entrants, we receive copies of these contracts from the MADAM; you do not have to hand these in yourself.
- II. Your *Zulassungsantrag* (licensing application). You can download the form from our website (in German).
- III. If you are applying as a legal person, a recent extract from the *Firmenbuch* (commercial register); if you are applying as a natural person, a certificate of principal residence.
- IV. Proof that you fulfil the requirements and that none of the grounds for exclusion are present. If you are applying as a legal person, this must also be proven for all members of the company's representative body. For this purpose, you have to submit several <u>declarations</u> (in German) and extracts from the register of previous convictions.
- V. Proof that at least one member of the representative body, one general partner or a senior staff member is technically qualified to act as a BRP. We consider someone to be technically qualified if he or she has adequate theoretical knowledge and practical experience in gas trading or in managing a gas business, especially as a trader or system operator. To state that, please submit extensive CVs, diplomas, etc.
- VI. Proof that you have a liable equity capital of at least 50,000 EUR for performing BRP activities. (Please note that the contracts under point I might require you to have more capital, but that these are two separate issues.)

If your company seat or residence is outside of Austria, you must appoint someone who resides in Austria and is authorised to accept service of documents. You have to name this person on the application form and must submit a <u>declaration of consent</u> signed by that person (in German).

Please send all documents and queries via <u>e-mail</u>. Also take a look at chapter "Notifying E-Control".

Once we have checked all documents, the E-Control Executive Board issues an official licensing decision and we inform the other system agents. There are no predefined dates or deadlines for market entry; you can enter the Austrian gas market at any time.

CHECK LIST

Becoming a BRP in the eastern market area

User registration verification by AGGM

Receive and return contracts

CEGH clearance

Clearance by AGCS

BRP licence from E-Control

(please note that this process can only move forward if you have been cleared by the MADAM and we have received all documents)*

BRP clearance lead time

*Please note that strictly speaking, the law allows for a two-month time frame for the regulatory authority to decide (cf. section 93(3) Gas Act 2011).

If you have chosen to become a member of the gas exchange, please consider that the registration process might take some additional time. Experience tells us that negotiating and concluding an agreement with a clearing bank is the most time-consuming of the steps.

GOOD TO KNOW

We cannot tell you how long licensing will take in your case, as it heavily depends on how quickly you submit the necessary documents. Therefore, we recommend that you carry out several steps at a time to shorten the whole process. Experience tells us that negotiating and concluding an agreement with a clearing bank is the most time-consuming of the steps.

In strictly legal terms, E-Control has two months to take a licensing decision. This period starts once we have received all the necessary documents that are listed in section 93 Gas Act 2011. It is recommended to ask E-Control in advance which documents need to be submitted and in which form. All required documents and the application should be submitted to E-Control at the end of the registration process with the MADAM in bundled form.

If you already have a BRP licence or are registered as a supplier for the Tyrol/Vorarlberg market areas, you do not need to run through the entire process again. You can follow these steps instead:

- > Hand in a new application with E-Control for the eastern market area. To facilitate the process, we will use the documents that we already have, if they are still valid.
- > In any case, send us an up-to-date extract from the commercial register.
- > If responsibilities have changed, please indicate these changes to the MADAM, who then informs the other system agents.
- > Hand in a new application with the MADAM. You can do this through the password-protected area of the AGGM platform; simply indicate that you are expanding your activities.

- Your BRP contract and the general terms and conditions between MADAM and BRP (supplier) also apply to activities in the eastern market area. Please include them with your application to E-Control.
- > In addition, you must send us the agreements with the operator of the virtual trading point and with the single clearing entity.

STEPS TO TAKE FOR OPTION II: JOINING AN EXISTING BALANCE GROUP IN THE EASTERN MARKET AREA

Becoming a member of an existing balance group is relatively easy and quick. You do not need a BRP licence from E-Control for it. Instead, an existing balance responsible party manages your balance group for you.

Please note that this means you will largely depend on a third-party BRP (including for nominations), which will gain some insight into your business activities (procurement channels, quantities, etc.). Please also note that existing balance responsible parties are not legally required to accept you into their balance group.

AGGM has put up a <u>bulletin board</u> on their website where you can consult a list of all companies that offer balance group management services. A list of such companies is also to be found on our <u>website</u> (in German). Please note, though, that these lists might not be exhaustive. For a list of all licensed balance responsible parties, please visit AGGM's website.

When choosing which balance responsible party to contact, you should make sure that it offers services that correspond with your (planned) business activities. Membership is agreed upon bilaterally with the balance responsible party of your choice in form of a contract based on general terms and conditions. Your BRP then registers you (via your X code) as a member of one of its balance groups in the AGGM's online platform. You, in turn, enter any capacity into this balance group vis-à-vis the transmission system operators.

Please also take a look at chapter "Notify E-Control".

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| Joining an existing balance group in the eastern market area | WD* |
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| Negotiate the contract with your BRP of choice | 10 |
| Average total time | 10 |

^{*}WD = average/observed number of working days for reference

GOOD TO KNOW

We cannot tell you how long it will take for you to join an existing balance group, since progress mainly depends on how quickly you agree with your BRP of choice.

Registration with the single clearing entity and clearance in their system should not take more than a few working days.

B) Notify E-Control

LEGAL BASIS

> Section 121 Gaswirtschaftsgesetz (Gas Act) 2011

DESCRIPTION

Regardless of the precise nature of the activities that you are planning, to be active on the Austrian gas market you need to notify us <u>prior</u> to commencing them (s. <u>section 121(1) Gas Act 2011</u>). This also holds if you are a prospective BRP or virtual trader. We keep, update, and publish a list of all gas traders.

STEPS TO TAKE

Send a stamped and signed letter to us, informing us of your planned business activities. You can download a template (in German) from our website.

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| Notify E-Control | WD* |
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| Draw up and send a stamped and signed letter to us | 0.1 |

^{*}WD = average/observed number of working days for reference

C)Book cross-border transmission capacity

LEGAL BASIS

- > Network Code on Capacity Allocation (CAM NC, Regulation 2017/459)
- > Sections 36, 37, 38, 39 Gaswirtschaftsgesetz (Gas Act) 2011
- > Sections 4-10, 16-17 <u>Gas-Marktmodell-Verordnung</u> (Gas Market Model Ordinance) 2020

DESCRIPTION

To sell or buy gas across borders, you must book entry and exit capacity via the European booking platform PRISMA or, for the Mosonmagyaróvár interconnection point, via the booking platform RBP. You enter this capacity into your balance group (either directly through the booking platform or with the individual TSOs), and the BRP then nominates it.

STEPS TO TAKE

You need to register through PRISMA for the TSO whose capacity you want to book. Visit <u>PRISMA's website</u> for more detailed information.

You will be cleared for activities through PRISMA if you have at least

- > signed a framework contract with the TSO; and
- made the 100,000 EUR activation deposit with the TSO (bank guarantee or cash deposit).

Capacity is sold to system users through auctions. Once your BRP has authorised you, you must enter all your capacity into your balance group. The BRP then nominates it.

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| Book cross-border transmission capacity | WD* |
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| Registration at PRISMA | 0.1 |
| Sign capacity framework contract with TSO(s) and make activation deposit | 1-5 |
| Purchase capacity at an auction (you will receive a confirmation e-mail from PRISMA) | 0.1 |
| Enter capacity into a balance group | 0.1 |

^{*}WD = average/observed number of working days for reference

GOOD TO KNOW

Once you have proven that you fulfil all requirements, the TSO will clear you to participate in PRISMA auctions from the next gas day. The entire process is usually quicker if you can make a cash deposit with the TSO instead of depositing a bank guarantee, which can take a number of working days. Auctions can be very short (30 minutes for day-ahead capacity) or last several days (for annual capacity).

D)Register as a REMIT market participant

LEGAL BASIS

- > Articles 8(1) and 9 Regulation (EU) No 1227/2011 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2011 on wholesale energy market integrity and transparency (REMIT)
- Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 1348/2014 of 17 December 2014 on data reporting implementing Article 8(2) and Article 8(6) of Regulation (EU) No 1227/2011 of the European Parliament and of the Council on wholesale energy market integrity and transparency
- > <u>Guidance on the application of REMIT by the Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators (ACER)</u>
- > <u>Großhandelsdatenverordnung</u> (Ordinance on Wholesale Data Collection) and its explanatory notes (in German)

DESCRIPTION

REMIT is the EU regulation on wholesale energy market integrity and transparency. It was adopted in 2011 to promote transparent and well-functioning electricity and gas markets in the EU. REMIT does not regulate the supply or production of gas, but instead complements the work of the Financial Market Authority: it focuses on trade in wholesale energy products, i.e. in contracts for supplying or transporting electricity or gas or their derivatives. To prevent market manipulation and insider trading, REMIT imposes extensive transparency obligations on market participants.

Under REMIT, you need to report certain data to the Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators. The <u>European Commission's Implementing Regulation 1348/2014</u> states what data exactly these are and how you must report them.

In addition, wholesale markets are monitored at national level. E-Control has certain powers for this purpose and can impose sanctions (s. the Gas Act 2011 and the E-Control Act). We also collect data at national level, i.e. you as a market participant must report some data to the Agency and to E-Control and keep others on record for five years (cf. Ordinance on Wholesale Data Collection).

As a market participant, you must register with us and provide a record of your wholesale energy market transactions pursuant to <u>Article 8(1) REMIT</u> (s. <u>Article 9(1) REMIT</u>). Further information on the data that need to be reported can be found in the Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 1348/2014.

Upon registration, you receive an ACER code for unambiguous identification of market participants.

STEPS TO TAKE

Under REMIT, you need to register in order to receive your ACER code and, consequently, be able to fulfil your obligations as a market participant. For market participants based in Austria, registrations are handled through the <u>Centralised European Register for Energy Market Participants (CEREMP)</u>. Those market participants that are not established and do not reside in any EU country can register with any European regulatory authority. They are free to choose which one according to the activities they carry out, but they may register only with one. Further information on this matter and the necessary documents can be found on the <u>REMIT registration page</u> on our website.

If you have any questions or queries about REMIT registration, please contact us via <u>e-mail</u>.

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| - | Register as a REMIT market participant | WD* |
| | Receive <u>authorisation</u> for REMIT registration from an authorised signatory of the market participant (template only available in German) | 5 min |
| | Creation and activation of a CEREMP user account in the European REMIT registration system | |
| | Complete the five-part REMIT registration | 30 min |
| | Accept ACER code for market participant identification | |
| | Average total time (may be shorter than sum of working days because some processes overlap) | 5 |

^{*}WD = average/observed number of working days for reference

GOOD TO KNOW

According to Article 9(5) REMIT, market participants have to make sure that the information submitted in the REMIT registration is correct and up-to-date. Therefore, the REMIT registration is to be considered a process and not a one-time procedure.

E) Sign up for information e-mails by E-Control

LEGAL BASIS

> General Data Protection Regulation (Regulation (EU) 2016/679)

DESCRIPTION

E-Control tailors its information services to the interests of subscribers; through our website, you can choose what kind of e-mails to receive (including e.g. alerts whenever we open a consultation).

STEPS TO TAKE

To keep on top of developments and to make sure that you are informed e.g. when E-Control consultations take place, we suggest that you sign up for the e-mail information service by E-Control through our <u>website</u>. For gas, the following categories might be particularly interesting for you:

- > Gas market rules and the Gas Market Model Ordinance
- > Gas events

CHECK LIST

| Sign up for information e-mails by E-Control | |
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| Subscribe through our <u>website</u> and indicate what information you would like to receive | 5 min |
| Average total time | 5 min |

GOOD TO KNOW

You will only be informed about consultations if you subscribe to this service; in keeping with the GDPR, we cannot contact you if you do not sign up.

WHILE BEING ACTIVE

F) Continuous reporting

LEGAL BASIS

- > **Monitoring**: the <u>Gas-Monitoring-Verordnung</u> (<u>Gas Monitoring Ordinance</u>) 2017 and its explanatory notes, both issued pursuant to section 131 Gas Act 2011 (in German)
- > Statistics: the <u>Gasstatistikverordnung</u> (<u>Gas Statistics Ordinance</u>) 2017 and its explanatory notes, both issued pursuant to section 147 Gas Act 2011 (in German)
- Energy intervention measures: the <u>Erdgas-Energielenkungsdaten-Verordnung</u> (Gas Intervention Data Ordinance) 2017 and its explanatory notes, both issued pursuant to section 27 Energielenkungsgesetz (Energy Intervention Powers Act) 2012 (in German)

DESCRIPTION

If you trade in gas, supply consumers or are a balance responsible party, you must send certain data to us. Normally, we ask all new market participants (in particular gas traders, suppliers and BRPs) to comply with reporting obligations when they become licensed. However, please note that legally, reporting is your own responsibility, and you have to send data without being prompted.

If you do not have to report at this time (for instance because you are not yet actually active) but become active later, you must promptly start to report then.

STEPS TO TAKE

Once you have registered and are licensed in Austria, we will contact you and ask you to submit data. The <u>survey forms</u> you will need to fill out are available on our website (in German).

Please note that we have designed the forms so that they serve gas statistics, crisis preparedness and monitoring purposes; this way, you have to submit each data item once only instead of having to enter data for each purpose separately (and possibly several times).

CHECK LIST

Continuous reporting

Wait for us to prompt you

If you start up your business during the year: check what data you must report to us

GOOD TO KNOW

Reporting can be more or less of an effort depending on your business activities (i.e. how much data you need to report) and depending on whether or not you have automated data collection.

G) Ongoing REMIT duties

LEGAL BASIS

- Articles 4, 8(1), 8(5), and 9(1) Regulation (EU) No 1227/2011 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2011 on wholesale energy market integrity and transparency (REMIT)
- Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 1348/2014 of 17 December 2014 on data reporting implementing Article 8(2) and Article 8(6) of Regulation (EU) No 1227/2011 of the European Parliament and of the Council on wholesale energy market integrity and transparency
- > Section 10a <u>Gaswirtschaftsgesetz</u> (Gas Act) 2011
- > Section 25a(2) <u>Energie-Control-Gesetz</u> (E-Control Act)
- > <u>Großhandelsdatenverordnung</u> (Ordinance on Wholesale Data Collection) and its explanatory notes (in German)

DESCRIPTION

As a market participant according to REMIT, you have to comply with reporting and publishing obligations. Mainly

- > you must publish inside information (Article 4 REMIT); this has to be published on a platform accepted by ACER.
- > you must report transaction data (Article 8(1) REMIT);
- > you must report the fundamental data laid down in Article 8(5) REMIT;
- you must report inside information to E-Control (section 10a Gas Act 2010); but please note that this is not necessary if you publish inside information on a platform accepted by ACER. Most Austrian undertakings currently use the CEGH's REMIT platform and the EEX platform;
- > control area operators and single clearing entities must report certain transaction data (Ordinance on Wholesale Data Collection and its annex).

Please note that you must use a registered reporting mechanism (RRM) to report data to ACER. RRMs are certified undertakings which submit to ACER the data that have to be reported by market participants. In doing so, they comply to high security standards. You can find a list of certified RRMs here. Please make sure that you conclude a service agreement with a RRM ahead of time, in order to comply with the deadlines for data submission to ACER.

STEPS TO TAKE

Fulfilling your reporting and publishing obligations is your own responsibility. Please consult our <u>website</u> for details about REMIT rules. In particular, these pages explain which energy wholesale products are subject to REMIT and/or the Ordinance on Wholesale Data Collection and which undertakings are market participants under REMIT.

For any questions or queries on REMIT, please contact us via e-mail.

CHECK LIST

Ongoing REMIT duties

Publish inside information...

...and report it to E-Control at the same time (unless you already published it through an ACER-accredited platform)

Report transaction data under 8(1) REMIT

Report fundamental data under 8(5) REMIT

Report transaction data under the Ordinance on Wholesale Data Collection

GOOD TO KNOW

REMIT can mean more or less of an effort depending on how extensive your business activities are and on whether or not you have automated data flows.

H) Further obligations

NETWORK DEVELOPMENT PLAN

Unless you are a virtual trader (i.e. trade exclusively at the virtual trading point), you have to contribute to the **network development plan** (section 121(4) Gas Act 2011).

LONG-TERM CONTRACTS

If buy gas through large long-term contracts, you must notify E-Control. Here, "large" means contracts for more than 250 million normal cubic metres per year, "long-term" means contracts with durations of more than one year, and "notify" means that you have to send us these details. Please note that you must inform us regardless of whether you are buying gas from inside or outside the EU (cf. section 121(6) Gas Act 2011).

ECONOMIC CHAMBERS

If you legally operate a business listed in section 2 <u>Wirtschaftskammergesetz</u> (<u>Economic Chambers Act</u>) (in German), or even if you have a licence to operate such a business, you are a member of the Austrian Economic Chambers. The businesses covered include trade, industry and other services.

The Austrian <u>Gewerbeordnung</u> (Industrial Code) (in German) expressly states that as a gas trader under <u>section 7(1)(14) Gas Act 2011</u>, you need a licence (section 2(1(20) Industrial Code). Once you have a gas trading licence, which enables you to trade at CEGH, membership of the Austrian Economic Chambers is automatic. If you are not sure whether this applies to you, please contact the Austrian Economic Chambers directly.

GAS IMPORT CUSTOMS

You must pay customs duties for any gas that is imported to Austria; you can either ensure that this is done when the gas enters the EU or you can pay them in Austria.

You need to fulfil a number of conditions so that you get an authorisation for entry in the declarant's records (Art. 182 Regulation (EU) No 952/2013 (the Union Customs Code)) and an authorisation as an authorised consignor (Art. 233 Union Customs Code).

Of course, you can always hire a shipper that already fulfils these requirements, and they will take care of customs for you.

Normally, you must declare customs once a month by stating how much gas you have imported, what it is worth and where you have imported it from; the information must correspond to the invoices and import records that you have for this gas.

The <u>central customs information office or your local customs office</u> will be happy to help with any questions.

ANNEX: LEGAL BASIS

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BASIC LEGAL FRAMEWORK

The *Gaswirtschaftsgesetz* (Gas Act) 2011 and the *Energie-Control-Gesetz* (E-Control Act) form the main legal framework for activities in the Austrian gas market.

- > Gas Act 2010 (in English and in German)
- > E-Control Act (in English and in German)

LEGAL REFERENCES RELATING TO PARTICULAR TOPICS

Depending on the topics you are interested in, you might want to look at the following legislation:

- > <u>Gas-Monitoring-Verordnung</u> (<u>Gas Monitoring Ordinance</u>) 2017 and its explanatory notes (in German)
- > Gas-Marktmodell-Verordnung (Gas Market Model Ordinance) 2020
- > <u>Gasstatistikverordnung</u> (Gas Statistics Ordinance) 2017 and its explanatory notes (in German)
- > <u>Erdgas-Energielenkungsdaten-Verordnung</u> (Gas Intervention Data Ordinance) 2017 and its explanatory notes (in German)
- > Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 April 2016 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data, and repealing Directive 95/46/EC (General Data Protection Regulation)
- > <u>Gewerbeordnung</u> (Industrial Code) (in German)
- > Wirtschaftskammergesetz (Economic Chambers Act) (in German)
- > Network Code on Capacity Allocation (CAM NC, Regulation 2017/459)
- Regulation (EU) No 1227/2011 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2011 on wholesale energy market integrity and transparency (REMIT)
- Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 1348/2014 of 17 December 2014 on data reporting implementing Article 8(2) and Article 8(6) of Regulation (EU) No 1227/2011 of the European Parliament and of the Council on wholesale energy market integrity and transparency
- > <u>Guidance on the application of REMIT by the Agency for the Cooperation of</u> Energy Regulators



- > Regulation 2017/1938 (the Gas SoS Regulation)
- > Customs Code Regulation (EEC) No 952/2013
- > Chapter 5 of the Gas Market Code
- > General terms and conditions of single clearing entities: <u>AGCS</u> (for the eastern market area) and <u>A&B</u> (for Tyrol/Vorarlberg) (both in German)
- > General terms and conditions of the MADAM AGGM