

Prime Minister Chung Sye-kyun Accepts to be the Honorary Chairman of World Gas Conference 2022

London/Daegu: Prime Minister Chung Sye-kyun has accepted the invitation to be the Honorary Chairman of the World Gas Conference 2022 (WGC2022), the world's largest international gas industry conference and exhibition taking place on 23-27 May 2022 in Daegu, Korea.

“The WGC2022 will discuss important issues facing the global gas industry, including the transition to eco-friendly energy and the trend within the sector. The Korean government will work closely with the host association Korea Gas Union and the host partner Korea Gas Corporation to ensure the success of this event,” said Prime Minister Chung.

The National Organizing Committee (NOC) invited Prime Minister Chung to be the Honorary Chairman to highlight the importance of the global gas industry in the current environment of sustainable economic growth and development, and he happily accepted this offer last week.

Conducted by the International Gas Union (IGU) since 1931 and held every three years, with preceding WGC events held in Paris (2015) and Washington D.C. (2018), the WGC2022 will take the stage at EXCO Daegu for five days in May 2022. Initially scheduled for June 2021, this major conference and exhibition was rescheduled due to the prevailing COVID-19 pandemic situation with consent from the International Gas Union.

“The World Gas Conference is one of the most significant global energy events and often referred to as the Olympic Games of the gas industry,” added Prime Minister Chung. The event will attract an estimated 12,000 participants including energy ministers, international organization representatives, and CEOs of global energy corporations from over 90 countries. Under the theme “A Sustainable Future – Powered by Gas”, not only the topic of natural gas as a key driver of the current global economy will be dealt but also hydrogen and renewable energy will be discussed in-depth.

The Prime Minister's acceptance to be the Honorary Chairman reflects the Korean government's strong determination and support for a successful WGC2022.

WGC2022 is the first World Gas Conference held in Korea and the third time in Asia, following Japan (2003) and Malaysia (2012). This event will also be the first large-scale face-to-face global gas event in 2022 following the COVID-19 pandemic at which the demand for a new energy paradigm on climate change and sustainable development will be met and discussed. WGC2022 is an opportune time for the industry to network, learn, discuss, and do business deals.

Notes to Editor

About WGC2022

The World Gas Conference, conducted by the International Gas Union (IGU) since 1931, is the world's largest and most important global gas industry event where thousands of industrial and political leaders, gas executives, specialists and exhibitors gather together every three years.

The 28th World Gas Conference (WGC2022) takes place in Daegu, the energy city of Korea and home to the headquarters of KOGAS, in May 2022. Hosted by the Korea Gas Union, the event's core aim is to promote the role of gas in a sustainable future. WGC2022 has strong support from the Korean Government, Daegu Metropolitan City, KOGAS and a National Organizing Committee made up of almost 50 global gas industry leaders.

From 23-27 May 2022, Daegu Korea will host 12,000 attendees and 350 exhibitors representing 500 companies from more than 90 countries. www.wgc2022.org

About the Owners and Hosts of WGC2022

International Gas Union (IGU)

The International Gas Union (IGU) was founded in 1931 and is a worldwide non-profit organization. The members of the IGU are associations and corporations which represent over 97% of the global gas market. www.igu.org

Host Association - Korea Gas Union

The Korea Gas Union (KGU) was founded in 1985 to promote the development of the natural gas industry in Korea and to cooperate with energy related international organizations include the IGU. KGU now represents more than 60 gas-related member companies in Korea. www.kgu.or.kr

Host Partner – KOGAS

KOGAS was founded in 1983 and has grown to become the world's largest LNG importer. As the nation's sole LNG provider, the Corporation is fully committed to providing clean, safe and convenient energy to the people of Korea. In keeping with this mission, KOGAS currently operates four LNG terminals and a nationwide pipeline network spanning over 4,854km in order to ensure a stable supply for the nation. www.kogas.or.kr

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