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## Executive summary

The LNG Blue Corridors project has been widely disseminated over the last 5 years. The objective of the companies in charge of its disseminations was mainly one: raise the awareness of LNG as fuel throughout Europe and inform about the benefits and results of this technology.

This project is the first one focused on LNG as fuel for road vehicles. Thanks to this, the project repercussion as well as its results have been especially high from the very beginning. After this project, many others, with which the Blue Corridors has had close contact, have followed. Some of them will be mentioned in this report.

Between the recipients of project disseminations material, the following groups are included: policy makers, stakeholders, fleet operators, gas industry and the general public.

The LNG Blue Corridors consortium is fully aware of the importance of effectively communicating results. This project is based on the demonstration, which means that results will be used as a base for future decisions.

Dissemination activities are being oriented both externally (for external organizations) and internally, among the LNG BC consortium members.

In this document the events where the project has been presented are explained in detail.

## Workshops & events

### Workshops

Workshops are an essential knowledge dissemination means. Consortium partners have used workshops to discuss, present and deliberate project related matters and findings.

At the first workshop organized on May 2013, a kick-off event on the launch of the LNG Blue Corridors was held at the European Commission Centre A. Brochette. More than 70 participants attended the public session of the four-year project's kick-off event. The day after, an internal consortium meeting was held in the Catalonia Delegation building, which all project partners attended.

On March 2015, a workshop for fleet operators was organized in Paris. It counted on the participation of more than 25 fleet operators that were embracing the idea of substituting part of their fleet with LNG trucks. After the workshop, several fleet operators became project partners.

Another workshop was organized in Paris just for the fleet operators participating in the project. The event took place in March 2016. It was the first time fleet operators sat together to discuss common LNG matters not just related to the project, but also to their daily activities.



*Figure 1: Presentation of TIEL, project fleet during the fleet operator's workshop*

As 4th workshop, on May 2016 the LNG Blue Corridor project was presented at the Alternative Fuels Conference and World Fair held in Bologna, Italy on 26-28 May. The conference gave an opportunity to learn about different fuels and new sustainable technologies, and is an important event for the transportation sector.

A workshop entitled “Green logistics & transport operators – LNG Blue Corridors” served to raise the profile of the project and its aims. The session including speakers: Timothée Audibert, Head of Projects at Engie/GNVert; Javier Lebrato, Heavy-Duty Engineer at Applus IDIADA; Mauro Chiotasso, Operative Coordinator of the Project Rete at LNG Italia Freight; Mario Ambrogi, LC3 General Manager; Andrea Bottazzi, Fleet Manager, TPER spa; and Matteo Lorenzo De Campo, Managing Director from Consorzio Valtellina, was expertly moderated by Marco Seimandi, Sales & Marketing Director at BRC Gas Equipment.

The workshop highlighted the important role that LNG is playing and the contribution it is making in being the fastest and most cost-efficient solution to make heavy-duty, long-haul transportation on the road more environmentally friendly.

A final workshop was organized in Barcelona in June 2017. The LNG Blue Corridors Project consortium organized a final conference with 150 stakeholder representatives at which the main achievements of the LNG Blue Corridor were presented.

Although the project has been extended a further year, it was decided to organize the main final event of the project in June 14<sup>th</sup> of 2017.

The consortium will decide upon 100 key stakeholders it wishes to invite to the final conference.

The programme included presentation from EU institution representatives, project consortiums, fleet operators, industry and users’ associations. The event lasted one full day.



Figure 2: LNG Blue Corridors workshop reception.



Figure 3: Presentation of Pierre Lahutte, Iveco brand president.



Figure 4: Round table discussion between AVL, FPT, the European Commission and ACEA representatives.

## Events & conferences

Conferences are a means of developing national and international connections with governmental, advocacy or academic opinion leaders, and engaging in direct, face-to-face communications and discussion. The consortium partners have been actively contributing and have delivered papers, slide show presentations and lectures at seminars, relevant events and selected international conferences.

A list of conferences to be targeted has been developed throughout the course of the project, with the aim of achieving a good disciplinary and national spread. Consortium partners have been participating in key workshops and conferences throughout the project to increase project visibility and sharing of results as well as to build the LNG BC contact list as a result of such networking activities.

Date	Location	Event
15-17/10/2013	Antwerp, Belgium	Transport & Logistics fair
5/22/2013	Esppo, Finland	International Energy Agency Experts'
17-18/10/2013	Tallin, Estonia	TEN-T days
10/23/2013	Madrid, Spain	II Mobility Congress
25-26/11/2013	Amsterdam	Natural Gas Vehicle Conference
2/19/2014	Prague, Czech Republic	7th NGV Conference
26-27/03/2014	London, UK	L-NGV Conference
3/26/2014	Lisbon, Portugal	Dourogas conference
4/29/2014	Piacenza, Italy	Inauguration LNG station
05/06/2014	Los Angeles, US	NGV 2014 Conference
5/14/2014	Kallo, Belgium	Inauguration LNG station
17-18/05/2014	Zeebrugge, Belgium	Marcogaz LNG group
9/24/2014	Hannover, Germany	IAA

07/08/2015	Paris, France	TRA
29-30/09/2015	Hamburg, Germany	Small Scale LNG
10-11/09/2016	Malmo, Sweden	REGATEC
4/27/2016	Bologna, Italy	AFF
6/20/2016	Rotterdam, Netherlands	TEN-T days
3-5/10/2017	Madrid, Spain	EAEC
20/3/2017	Rotterdam, Netherlands	NGV Global conference & exhibition
23/02/2017	Verona, Italy	Transpotec

## Closure event

A final political info day to present the main findings was organized in April 2018. The final project results were explained to European Commission representatives as well as to companies and stakeholders invited. The meeting was hosted by the European Commission at rue de Froissart 36, in Brussels.

Moreover, other European projects related to LNG joined the meeting to present and share their latest project outcomes. These European initiatives which were invited and with which Blue Corridors has close contact are listed below:

- Gernot Hasenbichler, AVL, HDGAS project results
- Sander Gersen, DNV GL, TKI method for calculating methane number
- José Enrique Murcia, ENAGAS, HIVE project
- Javier Pablo Madrid, Gas Natural Fenosa - Bestway Project
- Karin Jansen, Rolande, BIOLNG4EU
- Jan Willem Drijver, Pitpoint, LNG Motion



Figure 5: Albert Borschette conference centre.



*Figure 6: Albert Borschette meeting room. Final LNG BC meeting.*

Presentations and content discussed can be found at NGVA webpage. <https://www.ngva.eu/>