



Invitation to follow-up meetings NC TAR implementation in the Netherlands

Dear stakeholder,

In the period April – July, as part of the implementation process of the European network code on harmonised transmission tariff structures for gas (NC TAR) in the Netherlands, Gasunie Transport Services (GTS) and the Authority for Consumers and Markets (ACM) jointly organised four stakeholder sessions. During these meetings, the principal elements and aspirations of NC TAR were explained. Also, GTS and ACM presented, for each implementation choice in NC TAR, possible solutions and discussed these with stakeholders.

During the summer months, GTS and ACM have jointly agreed on a follow-up process for NC TAR implementation. This has resulted in a three-step approach that must enable ACM to publish – for consultation – its draft implementation decision by 1 March 2018.¹ In this letter, each of these steps are explained.

Step 1: drafting implementation proposal by GTS

In the period September – October, three sessions will be organised and chaired by GTS. During the first meeting, ACM will give an explanation of the *process* that should lead to the draft decision by 1 March 2018. The remainder of the first meeting and the second and third meeting are fully dedicated to the development of the GTS implementation proposal. During these meetings, the responsibility to draft this proposal – in close cooperation with stakeholders – rests with GTS. ACM will therefore only participate as an observer.

In the table below, the approach for each session is explained:

Date	Content
15 September 2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Tariff structure vs. policy objectives (Brattle) ▪ NC TAR implementation in neighbouring countries (DNV GL) ▪ Contours of implementation choices (by GTS)
28 September 2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Feedback from previous meeting ▪ Description of implementation choices with numerical results
13 October 2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Feedback from previous meeting ▪ Description of implementation choices with numerical results ▪ Working up to final GTS implementation proposal

¹ Once the draft implementation decision is published for consultation, stakeholders will be informed about the precise steps that will be followed to ensure that NC TAR is implemented by 31 May 2019.