

Press Release

Vessel Castoro 10 Starts Preparatory Works

[Lubmin (Germany)/Zug (Switzerland) – 24 July 2018] The offshore installation barge Castoro 10 (C10) has started preparatory works for future pipelaying for the Nord Stream 2 project today.

The C10 assumed its starting position with the help of its eight anchors in the shallow waters of Lubmin. During operations, pipe segments are welded together on board the vessel and pulled ashore by a high-performance winch to connect the landfall facilities of Nord Stream 2 with the new offshore pipeline.

Simultaneously, preparatory works for the subsequent pipelaying, in the Bay of Greifswald continue. Five excavators are currently working on the 29-kilometres-long pipe trench.

Nord Stream 2 expects to complete construction works in the Bay of Greifswald by the end of this year.

About Nord Stream 2

Nord Stream 2 is a planned pipeline through the Baltic Sea, which will transport natural gas over some 1,230 km from the world's largest gas reserves in Russia via the most efficient route to consumers in Europe. Nord Stream 2 will largely follow the route and technical concept of the successful Nord Stream Pipeline. The new pipeline will have the capacity to transport 55 billion cubic metres of gas per year, enough to supply 26 million European households. This secure supply of natural gas with its low CO₂ emissions will also contribute to Europe's objective to have a more climate-friendly energy mix with gas substituting for coal in power generation and providing back-up for intermittent renewable sources of energy such as wind and solar power.

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