

Press Release

1,000 Kilometres of the Nord Stream 2 Pipeline Laid

> Concrete weight coating in Kotka has been completed

[Zug, Switzerland – 11-Apr-19] A total of 1,000 kilometres of the Nord Stream 2 gas pipeline has now been laid in Finnish, Swedish and German waters.

Two Allseas pipelay vessels – Solitaire and Pioneering Spirit – are currently installing the pipeline in the Swedish Exclusive Economic Zone. Some twenty vessels are currently being engaged in the project in the Baltic Sea, with nearly 1,300 people working on board the pipelay, pipe supply and survey vessels.

Another milestone was also reached last week, when the project's coating and logistics contractor Wasco completed concrete weight coating of its share of the steel pipes in its plant in Kotka, Finland, where approximately 101,000 steel pipes had been coated. This corresponds to half of the pipes needed for the twin pipelines.

The twin pipeline system consists of two approximately 1,230-kilometres-long pipelines, each made up of some 100,000 pipe joints.

See videos of pipelay vessels Audacia and Pioneering Spirit installing the Nord Stream 2 Pipeline in the Baltic Sea here:

<https://www.nord-stream2.com/media-info/videos/57/>

<https://www.nord-stream2.com/media-info/videos/61/>

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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