



Nord Stream 2

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Press Release

Above Water Tie-in for the Second Nord Stream 2 String Completed – The Offshore Part of the Second Line is Mechanically Completed

[Zug, Switzerland – 10-Sep-21] Today, the sections of the second Nord Stream 2 pipeline laid from the German shore and Danish waters have been connected in a so-called above water tie-in. The opposing pipe strings were lifted from the seabed by the lay barge Fortuna and the pipe ends were cut and fitted together. The welding to connect the two lines took place on a platform located above the water on the side of the vessel. Then the connected pipeline was lowered to the seabed as one continuous string.

Afterwards, the required pre-commissioning activities will be carried out with the goal to put the pipeline into operation before the end of this year. Nord Stream 2 will contribute to meeting long-term needs of the European energy market for gas imports, improving secure and reliable gas supply.

You can find the press kit with this press release, photos from the above water tie-in and a selection of video footage for download [here](#). Please note that further photo and video material will be added to the online press folder over the course of the day.

About Nord Stream 2

Nord Stream 2 is a 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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