
LEAK: EU TO MANDATE 90% GAS STORAGE REFILL FOR NEXT WINTER

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The European Commission will table proposals on Wednesday (23 March) obliging EU countries to fill up their gas stores at least 90% before the next winter season and introduce a new certification scheme to prevent manipulation of gas storage by foreign operators.

The proposal will be tabled before a two-day EU summit this week (24-25 March), where EU leaders will debate energy security amid gas supply tensions caused by Russias war in Ukraine.

The current geopolitical situation requires additional short term measures to deal with the market imbalances for energy and for securing supplies in the years ahead, says the draft regulation on security of supply (SoS regulation), which was last amended in 2017.

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