

## **CORE LNGas hive participates in the 11th LNG Blue Corridor rally for natural gas vehicles**

- **CORE LNGas hive project, coordinated by Enagás, participates with a liquefied natural gas (LNG) semitrailer in the first three stages of the rally between Lisbon and Madrid**
- **The rally will cover 5,700 kilometres, through 9 countries and incorporates both heavy vehicles powered by LNG and private vehicles fuelled by compressed natural gas (CNG)**
- **Natural gas as fuel is a real and economic alternative for transportation**

The 11th edition of the LNG Blue Corridor Rally, for vehicles powered by natural gas and LNG trucks in particular, kicked off in Lisbon, Portugal, yesterday. The participants will cover 5,700 km in 18 days, crossing 9 European countries, to finish in Saint Petersburg, coinciding with the celebration of the International Gas Forum. CORE LNGas hive Project participates in the first three stages between Lisbon and Barcelona.

This project, co-financed by the European Commission and coordinated by Enagás with the leadership of Spanish Ports (Puertos del Estado) has designed a mobile exhibition that travels by LNG-powered tractor unit Iveco Stralis 400 on loan to Enagás from Iveco for this purpose. The LNG semitrailer aims to do a didactic work on LNG as one of the most environmentally friendly fuels. The mobile exhibition has been traveling since April of this year around 45 cities in Spain and Portugal and has been visited by more than 5,000 people and has a total of 42 partners.

The rally's first three stages within the Iberian Peninsula. The first one, 680 km from Lisbon to Madrid finished today at the Endesa refuelling station in Valdemoro. The second, the 640 km from Madrid to Barcelona, will finish at the Gas Natural Fenosa station in Petronieves. Lastly, the third stage, will be between Barcelona and Marseille.

The Iberian part of this rally is being carried out in collaboration with the Iberian Association for Natural Gas as a Fuel, GASNAM, as well as other Spanish and



Portuguese companies whose work is related to this alternative fuel: Enagás via its CORE LNGas hive project, Dourogás, Endesa, Ente Vasco de la Energía (EVE), Galp, Gas Natural Fenosa, Gasogas, Iveco, HAM, HAVI Logistics, SEAT, STI GLonet, Transordizia and Vía Gas.

The LNG Blue Corridor Rally takes place every year on different routes and highlights the extensive possibilities offered by LNG as the only alternative to traditional fuels in heavy duty on-road vehicles and maritime transport.

LNG plays a main role in the decarbonization processes as it reduces CO<sub>2</sub> by about 30% compared to traditional fuels. It also removes emissions of sulfur oxides (SO<sub>x</sub>), particulates (PM) and substantially reduces nitrogen oxides (NO<sub>x</sub>), key to achieving a more sustainable transport.

More information about the CORE LNGas hive project which involves a total of 42 partners from Spain and Portugal at: <http://corelngashive.eu>

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