

## Construction contract awarded for section of Eugal gas pipeline

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Gascade, a subsidiary of Basf and Gazprom, has awarded the construction of 6 lots of the Eugal gas pipeline to the joint venture between Bonatti and Max Streicher. The pipeline will be powered by the Nord Stream 2, the gas transport network that connects Siberia to the heart of Europe via the Baltic Sea. The overall route of Eugal is approximately 480 km long (Line 1, 480 km; Line 2, 329 km) and will pass through the following German Länder: Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania, Brandenburg, Saxony.

The new pipeline will have a maximum capacity to transport 55 billion m<sup>3</sup>/y of gas. The entire pipeline is divided into 14 lots: pipes have a diameter of 56 in. (1420 mm) and a thickness of 23 mm. JV Bonatti/Max Streicher will play a decisive role in the realisation of the project with the execution of 6 lots (from 9 to 14) for a total length of approximately 292 km. The scope of the work awarded to the JV Bonatti/Max Streicher includes the construction of the southern part of the Eugal route, reaching the town of Deutschneudorf, on the border with the Czech Republic: the number 9 and 10 sections of the pipeline will be built in double line.

The value of the contract awarded to Bonatti and Max Streicher confirms the experience capitalised by Bonatti in Germany since the 1990s and the role achieved by Max Streicher in the country. The route of Eugal runs parallel to the Opal gas pipeline and aims to enhance the distribution of gas in the heart of the European Continent. It is estimated that JV Bonatti/Max Streicher Germany will start operations in the summer of 2018 after the necessary