



Enagás and Votorantim Cimentos are to collaborate in the development of decarbonisation projects

They have signed an agreement to promote emission reduction projects in Votorantim Cimentos' cement plants and the development of a logistics chain for CO₂ transport, liquefaction, storage and ship loading

Madrid, 24 September 2024. The CEO of Enagás, Arturo Gonzalo, and the CEO of Votorantim Cimentos in Spain, Alan Svaiter, together with the Chief Operating Officer (COO) & Carbon Solutions of Votorantim Cimentos Europe, Asia and Africa, Günther Smetana, have signed an agreement to jointly develop projects for sustainable CO₂ management from their respective areas of activity.

Votorantim Cimentos will develop CO₂ capture technologies in its cement plants and Enagás will study solutions for its transport, liquefaction, storage and loading onto vessels at its regasification terminals, located in the area of influence of Votorantim Cimentos' plants.

The Enagás CEO Arturo Gonzalo highlighted that "Enagás and Votorantim Cimentos have clear synergies to jointly advance in their commitments to reduce their carbon footprint and, based on the knowledge of their areas of activity, they have the opportunity to take the initiative to develop more effective sustainable CO₂management technologies, which will be key to achieving the decarbonisation objectives in Spain and in Europe".

In the words of the CEO of Votorantim Cimentos in Spain, Alan Svaiter, "the development of logistics infrastructures for the transport and storage of CO_2 in Spain is essential for the decarbonisation of our activity and to achieve our goal of climate neutrality by 2050".

Under the terms of the agreement, Enagás and Votorantim Cimentos will study the possibility of jointly participating in European funding application processes, such as Innovation Funds and Projects of Common Interest (PCI), to explore future synergies.

The reduction of CO_2 emissions and their transport is of growing interest in Spain. The results of Enagás' non-binding Call for Interest process, presented at the Second Hydrogen Day in January 2024, identified a total of 37 companies interested in CO_2 capture — to reduce a total of 10.4 million tonnes per year (Mt/year) — and 53 companies interested in having infrastructure for its transport and storage.

About Enagás

Enagás is a Transmission System Operator (TSO) with 50 years' experience in the development, operation and maintenance of energy infrastructure. The company has approximately 12,000 kilometres of gas pipelines,





three underground storage facilities and eight regasification plants. The company operates in eight countries. In Spain, it is the Technical Manager of the Gas System and, as stipulated in Royal Decree Law 8/2023, it has been appointed provisional operator of the Hydrogen Backbone Network (HTNO). In line with its commitment to energy transition, Enagás has announced its goal of becoming carbon neutral by 2040, with a firm commitment to decarbonisation and the promotion of renewable gases, especially hydrogen.

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About Votorantim Cimentos

Votorantim Cimentos is a founding member of the World Business Council for Sustainable Development (WBCSD) and, in coordination with the Global Cement and Concrete Association (GCCA), invests in innovation and the development of joint solutions to reduce its carbon footprint. Its 2030 objectives are focused on reducing its environmental footprint, increasing the operational efficiency of processes and the use of renewable energies. It is also committed to clean technologies that minimise the use of natural resources and reduce emissions and energy consumption, as well as to the development of innovative products and projects that contribute to the decarbonisation of the planet.

Votorantim Cimentos is a building materials and sustainable solutions company with more than 12,000 employees. Its portfolio of building materials includes cement, concrete, mortars and aggregates. It also has businesses in the areas of agricultural products, waste management and co-processing. Its operations are strategically located close to the most important growth markets in eleven countries: Brazil, Argentina, Bolivia, Canada, Luxembourg, Morocco, Tunisia, Turkey, Spain, United States and Uruguay. www.votorantimcimentos.com.br

Votorantim Cimentos is present in Spain under the Cementos Cosmos, Cementos Teide, Prebetong Áridos, Prebetong Hormigones and Morteros Pulmor brands and has cement factories in Alconera (Badajoz), Córdoba, Málaga, Niebla (Huelva), Oural (Lugo) and Toral de los Vados (León); cement mills in Tenerife and Bobadilla (Malaga); concrete and mortar plants and aggregate operations in Andalusia, the Canary Islands, Castile and Leon, Extremadura and Galicia. www.votorantimcimevotorantimcimentos.es

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