

Spain to curb EU reliance on Russian gas

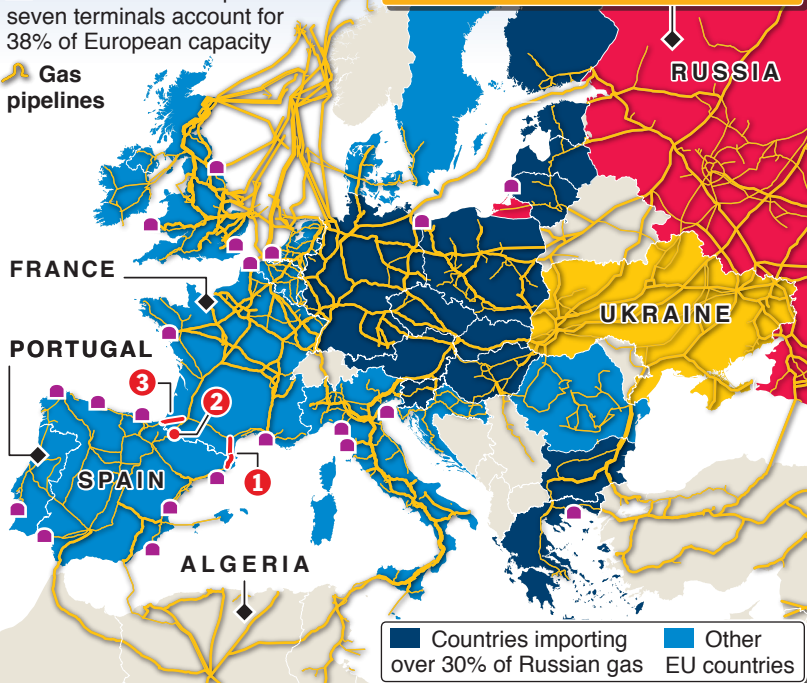
Given the instability in Ukraine, Spain, France and Portugal plan a new pipeline through the Pyrenees that will boost supplies to almost 15 billion cubic metres of gas a year, reducing supplies from Russia to about 10%

Shipped from overseas, liquefied natural gas (LNG) needs to be converted back into gas before it can be fed into pipeline

LNG terminals: Spain's seven terminals account for 38% of European capacity

Gas pipelines

Russia: State-controlled Gazprom delivered 163 bcm of natural gas to Europe in 2014 – 30% of Europe's supply. Half of this flows through war-torn Ukraine



GAS SUPPLIES VIA SPAIN

1 MidCat: Planned 190km pipeline could pump 7.2 bcm of gas a year

2 Larrau: Main connection with France upgraded last year, increasing capacity of pipeline to 5.2 bcm

3 Biriattou: New pipeline expected to pump another 2 bcm by 2016

Total possible: 14.4 bcm a year

Spain buys all its gas from non-Russian sources

IMPORTS OF GAS FROM RUSSIA

Billion cubic metres, selected countries

