

## CCSA WG meeting minutes

8 May 2025

Online Meeting – recording [here](#).

No.	Item	Action
	<p><b>Attendees</b></p> <p>Alberto Sanchez Miravalles – CCSA  Ariadna Lungulescu – CCSA  Stefano Miriello – CCSA  Rebecca Bell – CCSA  Mihai Florea – Holcim  Johanna Fiskdahl – Equinor  Marion Wurzel – Exxon Mobil  Stefania Marziali – SNAM  Andrea Girotti – SNAM  Ali Daoud – DNV  Robert Hines – ARUP  James Quinn – Interconnector  Daniel Millward – UNIPER  Francesco Arena – ENI</p>	
1	<p><b>Agenda:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Introduction &amp; housekeeping</li> <li>• Overview of new WG structure</li> <li>• Strategy, next actions and Delivery plan</li> <li>• Discussion</li> <li>• AOB &amp; conclusion</li> </ul>	
2	<p><b>Overview of new WG structure</b></p>	
3	<p><b>Strategy, next actions and Delivery plan</b></p> <p>Mihai Florea</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- From an emitter perspective, the issue is institutional capacity, MSs lacking staff, frameworks and expertise to deal with permitting for storage and transport.</li> <li>- Propose to find ways to help capacity building in MSs.</li> </ul> <p>Johanna Fiskdahl</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- On storage gaps: Equinor wants to be a first mover and try to expand its portfolio, as well as reaching FID for existing projects, and permitting progressing productively is key to get first projects operational.</li> <li>- Regulations need to reflect that and protect first movers.</li> </ul> <p>Marion Wurtzel</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Elaborate on NZIA consultation follow-up actions?</li> </ul> <p>Alberto</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- CCSA could do arrange e.g. a webinar, produce a briefing paper.</li> </ul>	

	<p>Marion</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Reflecting on the EC timeline, they should have issued the final version of the NZIA DA by now, so timeline would be very short.</li> <li>- Happy to put together some policy recommendations if EC are still willing to receive input.</li> </ul> <p>Stefano</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- If there are further actions to take, we can support members, however the timeline is short / unclear, but we could elaborate on some of the unclear points from the consultation if members want to.</li> </ul> <p>Mihai</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Think about milestones throughout the year linked to upcoming e.g. consultations, ICM forum, and prepare for those moments by e.g. hosting workshops with EC, other opportunities for members to provide input.</li> </ul> <p>Alberto</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Could also elaborate something on permitting.</li> <li>- Develop a timeline as soon as co-chairs have been established.</li> <li>- Whenever members attend important events, they can share with us.</li> </ul> <p>Johanna</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Do you plan to distinguish between on-shore and off-shore storage in this WG?</li> </ul> <p>Alberto</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Both will be included, but for EU purposes only offshore storage will be recognised.</li> </ul> <p>Stefano</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- On permitting, as it is a recurring topic, there have been instances in the past of providing support to governments. We welcome ideas.</li> </ul> <p>Mihai</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Try to mobilise expertise from MSs who are more advanced in setting up institutional capacity.</li> <li>- Try to get governments to join in a session with e.g. DG ENER, or create workshops with MSs where there is not enough knowledge, to share best practices.</li> <li>- Time pressure is increasing, and governments are lagging behind, which complicates industry projects with e.g. Innovation Fund funding which has very strict deadlines.</li> </ul> <p>Marion</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Agree with Mihai.</li> <li>- Would make sense to distinguish between activities on EC level v MS level.</li> <li>- There is a range of different approaches and processes across MSs.</li> <li>- Permitting may be down to just a few individuals in governments, but collecting best practices may be a good first step, recognising there will be differences in regulatory frameworks across Europe.</li> </ul>	<p>Alberto to share this point with WG and check if there is willingness to follow up</p> <p>Start thinking about a calendar of activities</p>
4	<p><b>AOB &amp; conclusion</b></p> <p>Next meeting: TBC</p>	

