# Natural Gas and the Global Geopolitics of Energy

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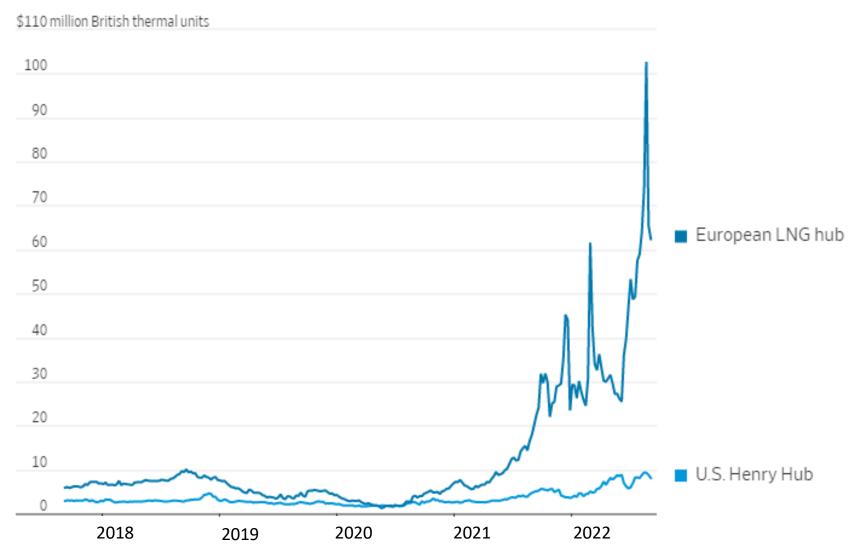


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#### Natural gas price



Source: FactSet

# **Comparative Forward Strips as of August 24, 2022**



# One-Year Forward Strip

NYMEX Henry Hub	\$ 7.56
LNG Delivered Price to Japan (JKM)	\$67.32
LNG Delivered Price to Europe (Dutch TTF)	\$83.38

# **Comparative Forward Strips as of December 8, 2022**



#### One-Year Forward Strip

NYMEX Henry Hub	\$ 5.18
LNG Delivered Price to Japan (JKM)	\$36.94
LNG Delivered Price to Europe (Dutch TTF)	\$43.82

#### Three-Year Forward Strip

NYMEX Henry Hub	\$ 4.54
LNG Delivered Price to Japan (JKM)	\$28.74
LNG Delivered Price to Europe (Dutch TTF)	\$33.59

<sup>\*</sup> Settled price as of December 8, 2022



# How did we get here?

# 4 mistakes made by the European Union (& more specifically, Germany)



- Over reliance on renewables
- Retired coal plants too early
- Retired nuclear plants too early
- Under reliance on fossil fuels



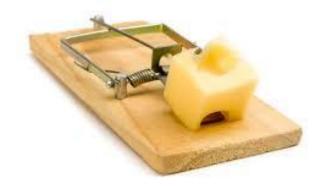
# **Energy Security?**

- By the year 2020, Gazprom will supply nearly 70% of the European Union's natural gas.
- Would you pursue a conflict with a country that you depend on for the majority of your energy needs?





# This is a trap laid by Vladimir Putin 20 years in the making.





#### **Closing** Bell

# LNG Diplomacy: Keystone XL Pipeline, Part 2?

October 2012

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# The Glacial Pace Of LNG Exports

By John Harpole

September 2014

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# The Putin Vortex

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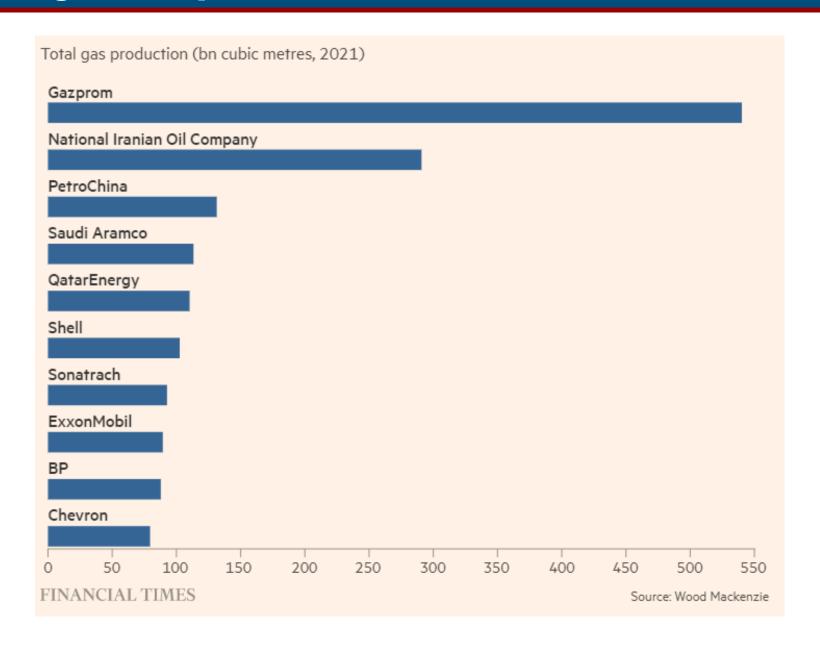
# Time To 'Out' Russia?

By John Harpole

January 2015

# The 10 largest gas companies







# Rosneft and Gazprom represent 25%-40% of Russia's budget





# **What I'll Cover Today**



- Putin's trap, enabled by the pro-scarcity environmentalists
- Germany and EU take the bait
- U.S. LNG to the rescue
- The 3-year impact on world LNG markets

# Merkel's Major Mistake – Trusting Putin





Angela Merkel, Chancellor of Germany from 2005 to 2021

# Nord Stream Opening Ceremony - November 8, 2011





Francois Fillon, Angela Merkel, Mark Rutte, Dmitry Medvedev, Gunther Oettinger, Erwin Sellering

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# The Former Chancellor Who Became Putin's Man in Germany





Gerhard Schroeder, Chancellor of Germany from 1998 to 2005

# **Gerhard Schröder Bio**



Title	Term	Income
Chancellor of Germany	1998 – 2005	? currently receives \$9,000/month stipend
Nord Stream I Chairman/Shareholder	2005 – 2022	\$270,000/year
Nord Stream II Board Member	2011 - ?	?
Rosneft Board President	2017 – present	\$600,000/year
Gazprom Board Member	2022 - ?	?

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"Germany's reliance on Russian gas surged to 55 percent before Russia's attack on Ukraine began in February, from 39 percent in 2011, amounting to 200 million euros, or about \$220 million, in energy payments every day to Russia."



## Why trust Russia? History should have been the lesson.



# Russia's Energy Muscle

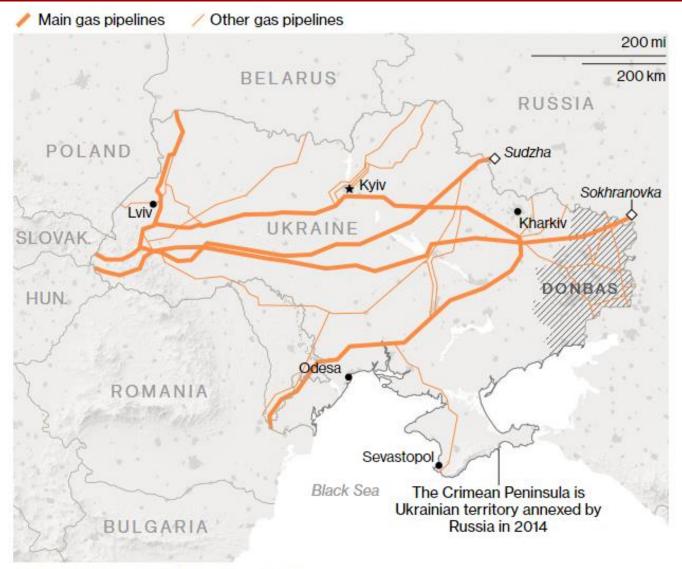
 Energy Used Over 55 times Against Former Soviet Nations Since 1990





## **Natural Gas Runs Through Ukraine**





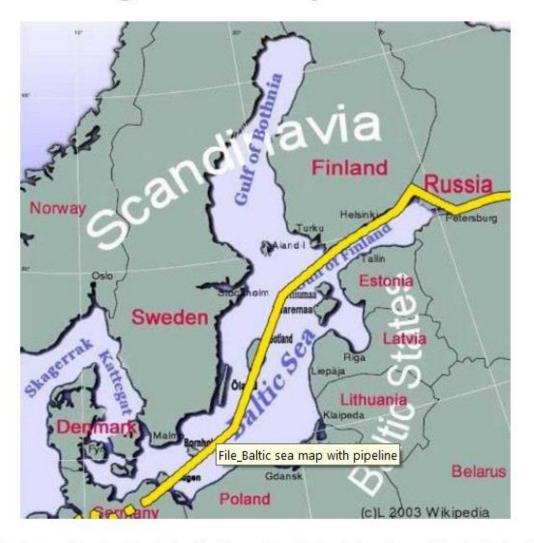
Source: The Oxford Institute for Energy Studies

Note: Only the portion of pipelines that run through Ukraine are displayed on the map

# **Nord Stream I - Financed by German Banks**

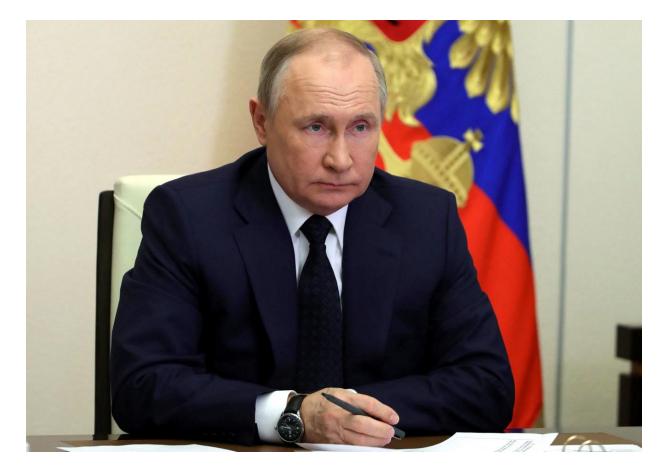


# Linking the Super Powers



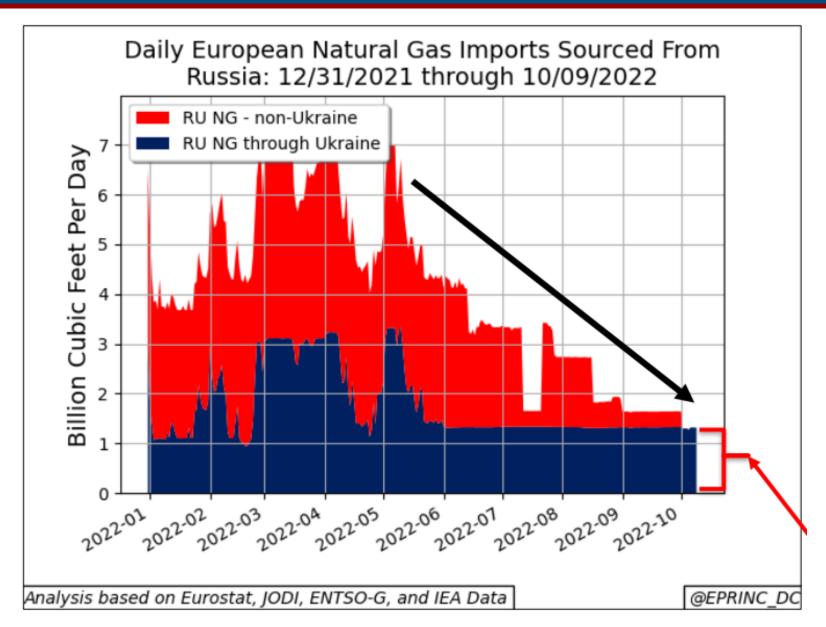


# European supply diversification away from Russia takes 17 bcfd of supply out of a 50 bcfd market



# **Europe – Daily Natural Gas Receipts During 2022**





# **U.S. LNG Responded**

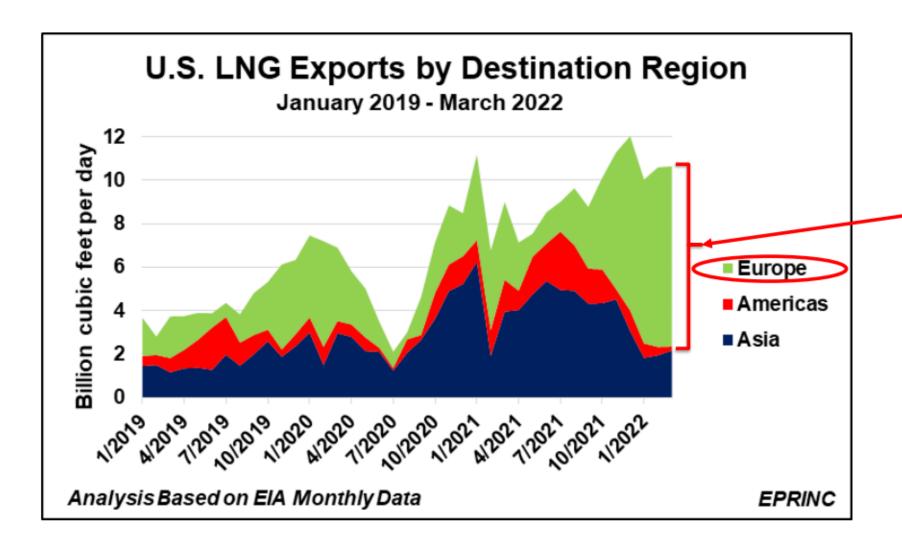




# **U.S. LNG Exports by Destination Region**



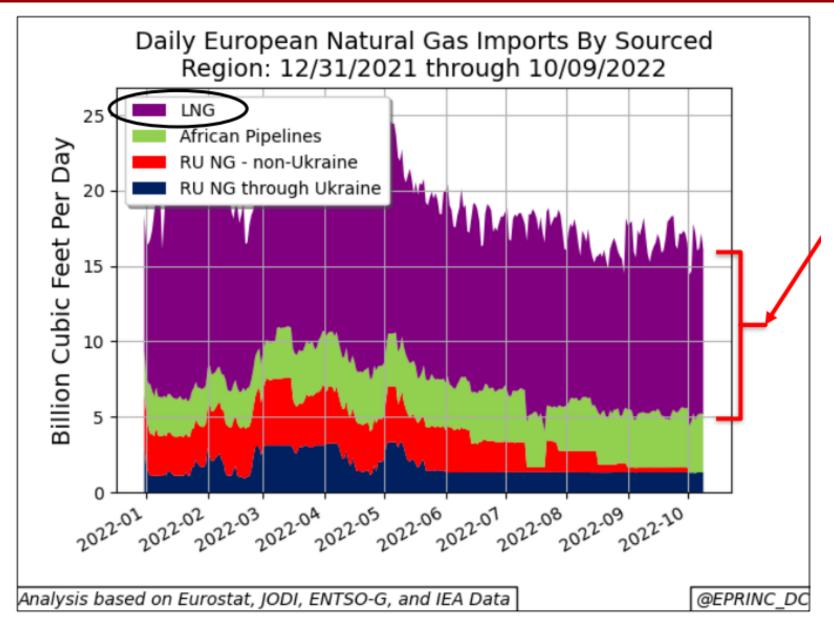




With the winter 2021-2022 shortfall in natural gas supplies from Russia, Europe accelerated purchases of U.S. LNG at the rate of 8 BCF/d in the first three months of 2022.

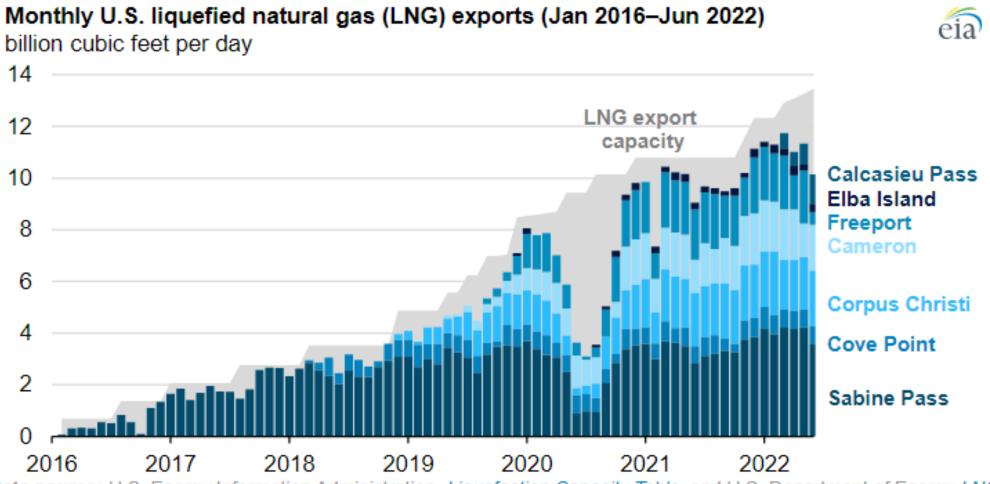
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#### The United States became the world's largest LNG exporter in the first half of 2022



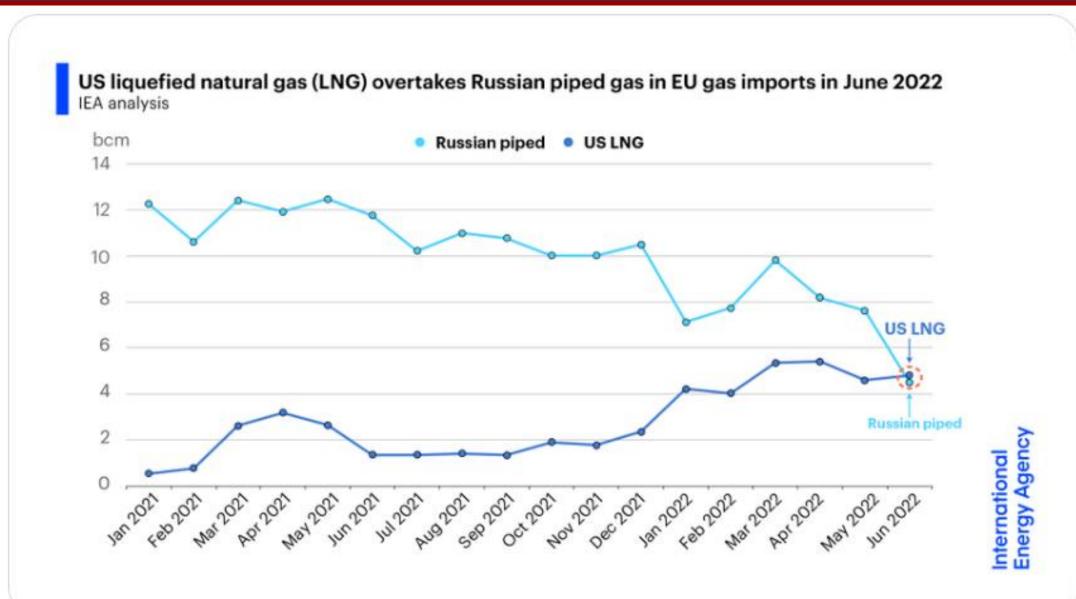


Data source: U.S. Energy Information Administration, *Liquefaction Capacity Table*, and U.S. Department of Energy *LNG reports* 

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**Note:** June 2022 LNG exports are EIA estimates based on tanker shipping data. LNG export capacity is an estimated peak LNG production capacity of all operational U.S. LNG export facilities.





# **Baltic Pipe Opens in Poland**



#### September 27, 2022



# **Baltic Natural Gas Pipeline Map**





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## Nord Stream Pipeline Sabotage: Everything is Pointing to Russia



### U.S., EU officials on edge over pipeline explosions



# Nord Stream leaks will not delay Oct. 1 Baltic Pipe start-up





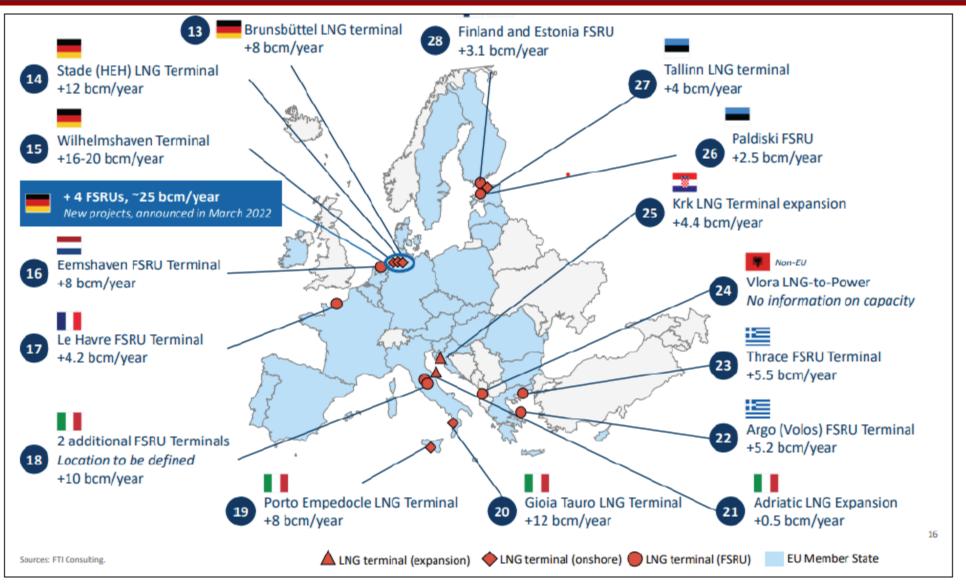
# **European LNG infrastructure**





# **Europe has authorized 21 new LNG projects**





https://www.fticonsulting.com/-/media/files/emea--files/insights/white-papers/2022/may/new-lng-regasification-terminals-europe.pdf

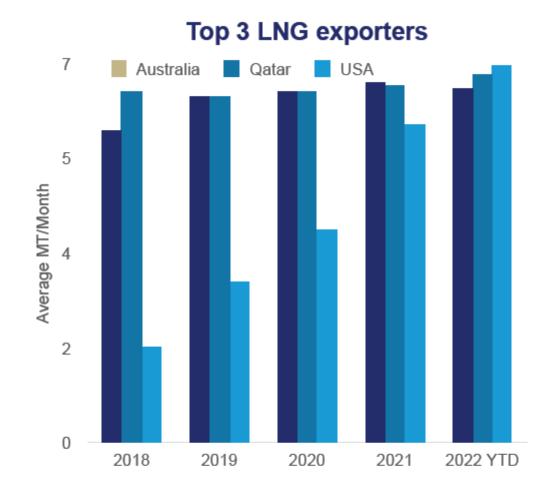
#### The United States has been the key driver of global natural supply growth







 Since 2007, 42% of global natural gas supply growth has come from the United States



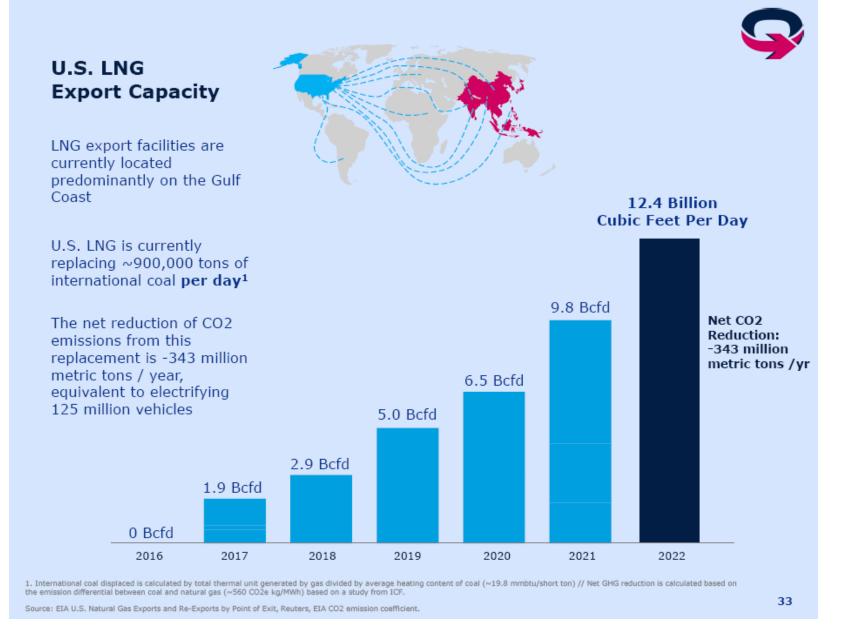
 US natural gas supply growth has supported LNG exports, with the US overtaking Qatar this year



Source: Wood Mackenzie, IHS Markit Note: 2022 YTD = January 1 to June 15, 2022

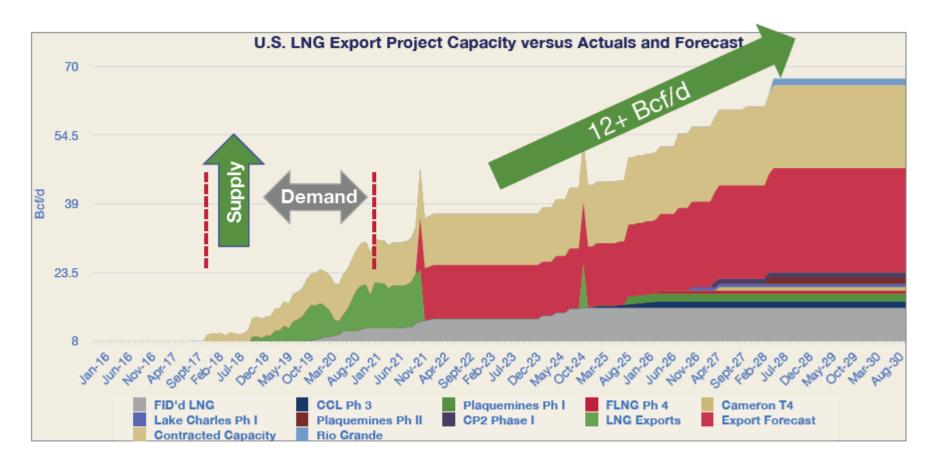
# **U.S. LNG Export Capacity**







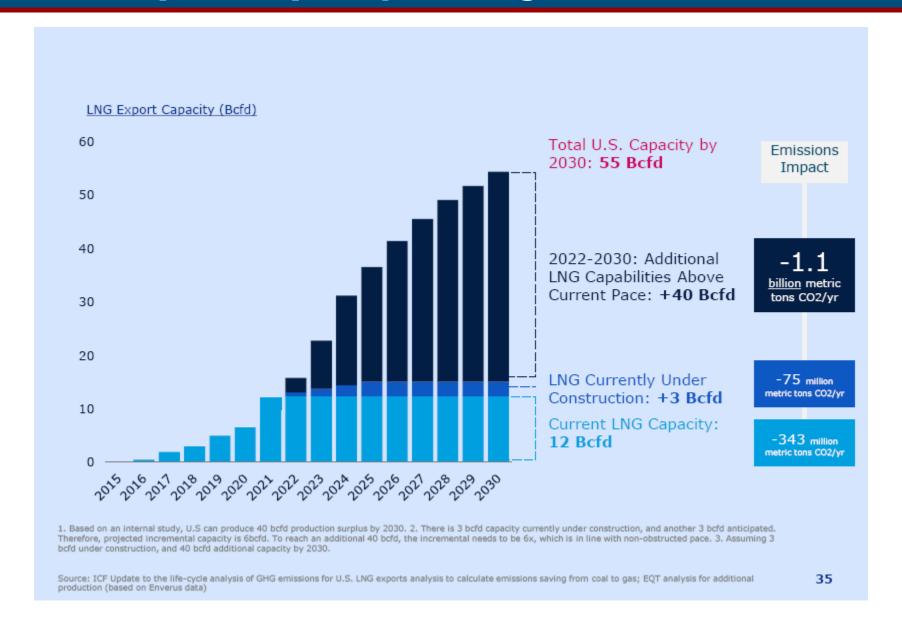
#### 2024 to 2030



Where will all the gas come from to meet this massive increase in Demand?

#### **Projected LNG Export Capacity Through 2030<sup>1</sup>**

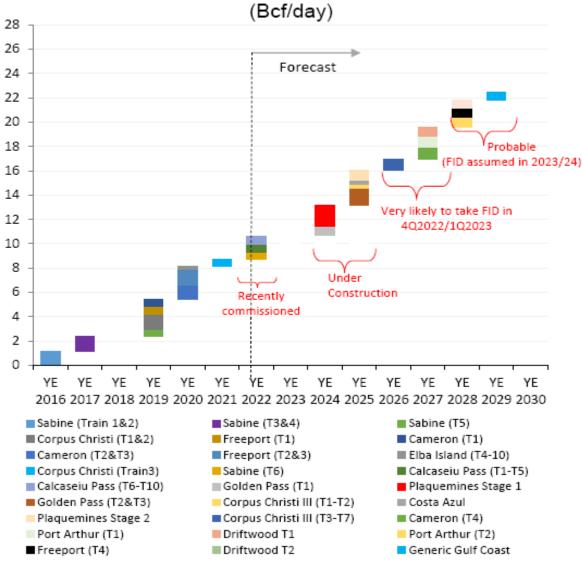




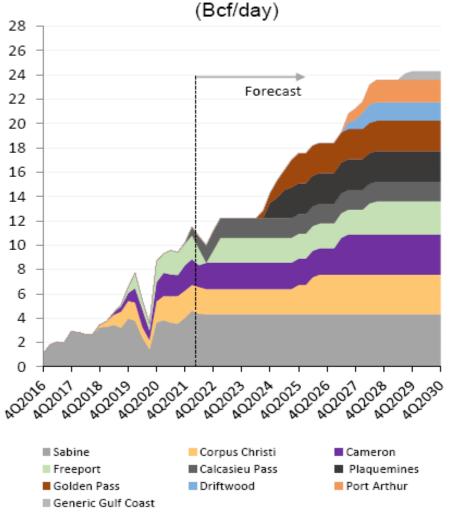
### USGC LNG feed gas is expected to reach ~24 Bcf/d by 2030, adding ~14 Bcf/d to regional demand (from 2021 average of ~10 Bcf/d)



#### USGC LNG Export Nameplate Capacity Forecast

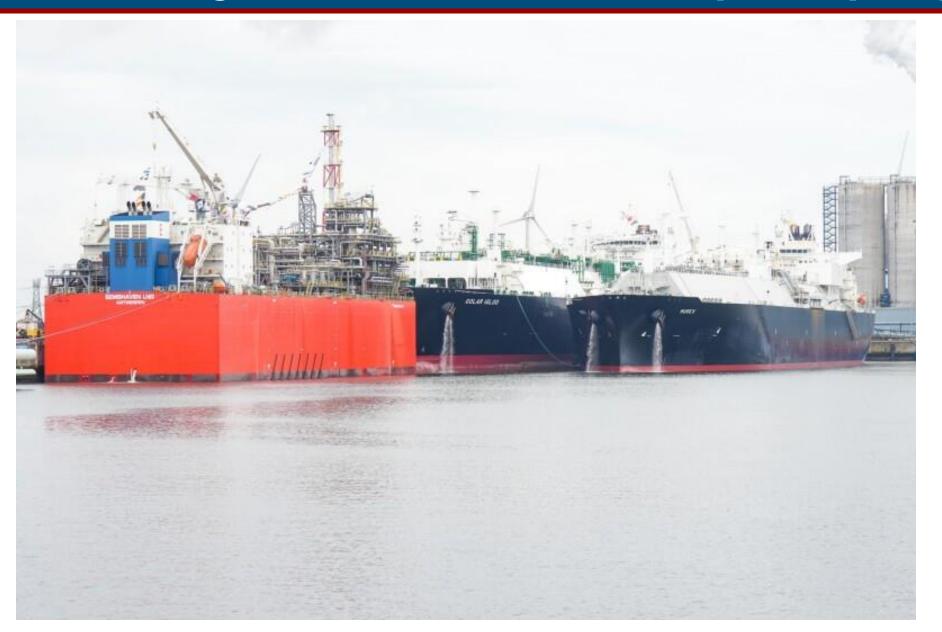


#### USGC LNG Feed Gas Volume Forecast



#### New Dutch LNG Regas Terminal Will Double Import Capacity Mercator Energy





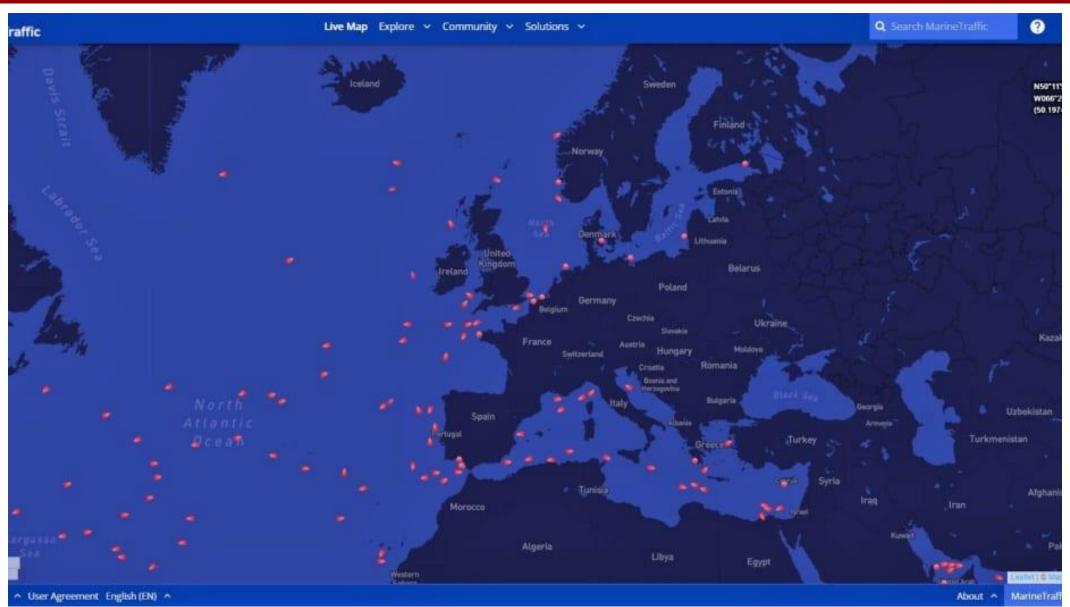
#### German government announces fifth floating LNG terminal





#### Wave of LNG Tankers is Overwhelming Europe





#### Can European's Afford Their Energy Bills?



# Goldman Sees \$2 Trillion Surge in European Household Energy Bills by 2023

- September 6, 2022, Bloomberg.com

3,500 energy intensive industries are surveyed, only half have hedges in place for energy requirements

- July 25, 2022, Oilprice.com

#### We are witnessing the deindustrialization of Europe



#### Energy Prices Trigger Deindustrialization In Germany

- August 19, 2022, Oilprice.com

#### Germany Risks a Factory Exodus as Energy Prices Bite Hard

August 18, 2022, Bloomberg.com

## Germany's Natural Gas Crunch Could Cause Supply Chains to Collapse

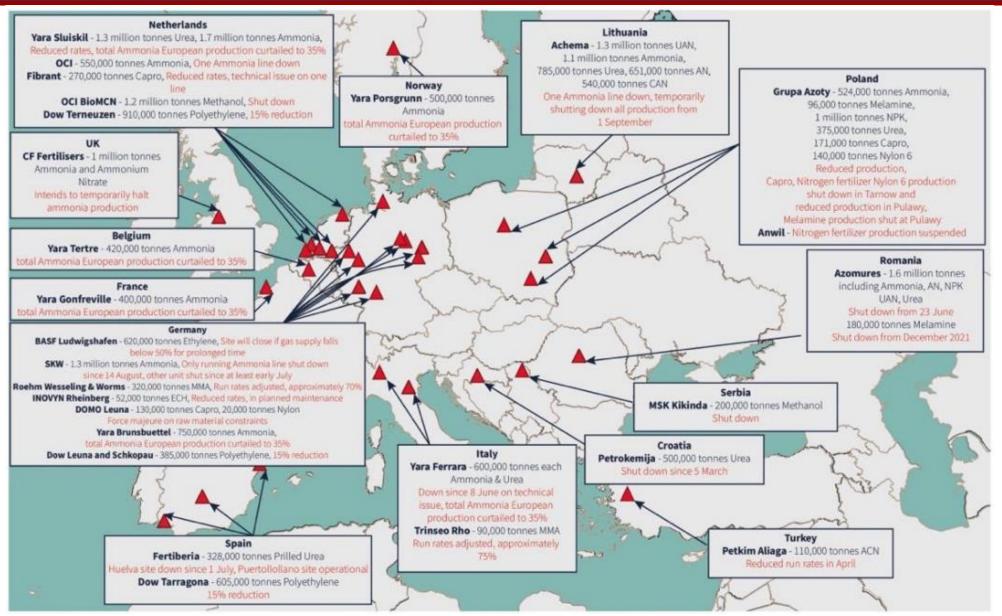
- August 3, 2022, Oilprice.com

## Europe's metals industry warns of existential threat to their future

- September 2022, Eurometaux

#### Soaring gas prices hit Europe fertilizers, chemicals



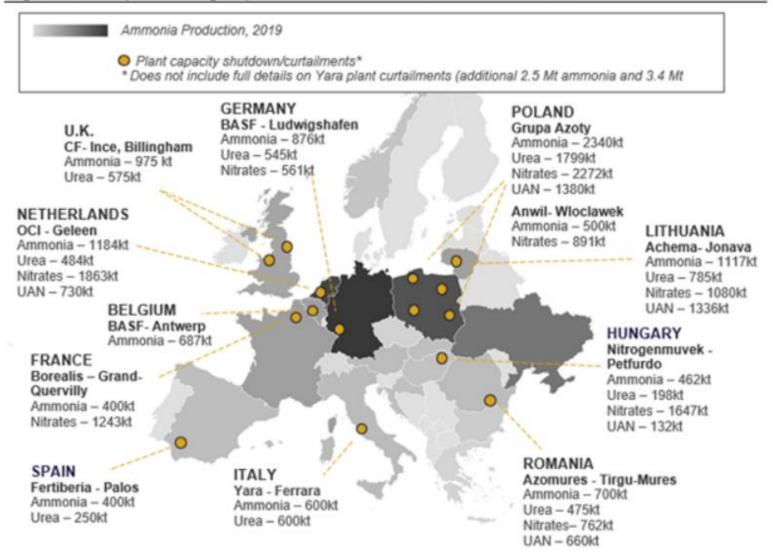


Updated on 25 August 2022 Source: ICIS, Natural Earth

#### 70% of Europe's nitrogen fertilizer plants have closed



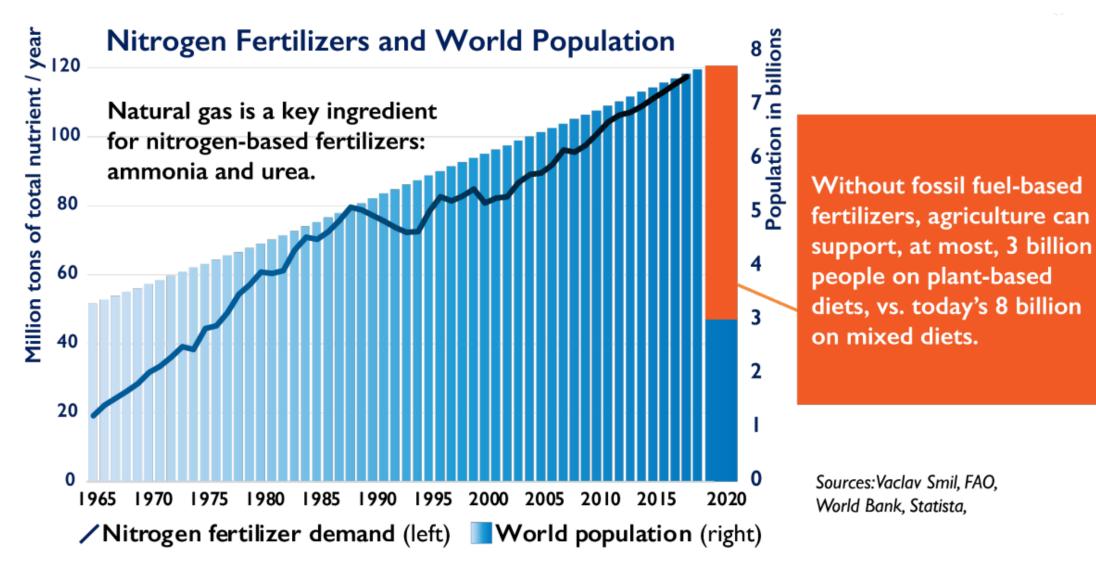
Figure 1: European nitrogen production shutdowns and curtailments



DATA: CRU, IFA

#### **Natural Gas is Critical for Global Food Production**





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#### **Food Facts**



65-70% of the world caloric food intake is related to 4 grains:

- Wheat
- Rice
- Corn
- Soybeans



All require intense use of nitrogen fertilizers

#### **Food Facts**



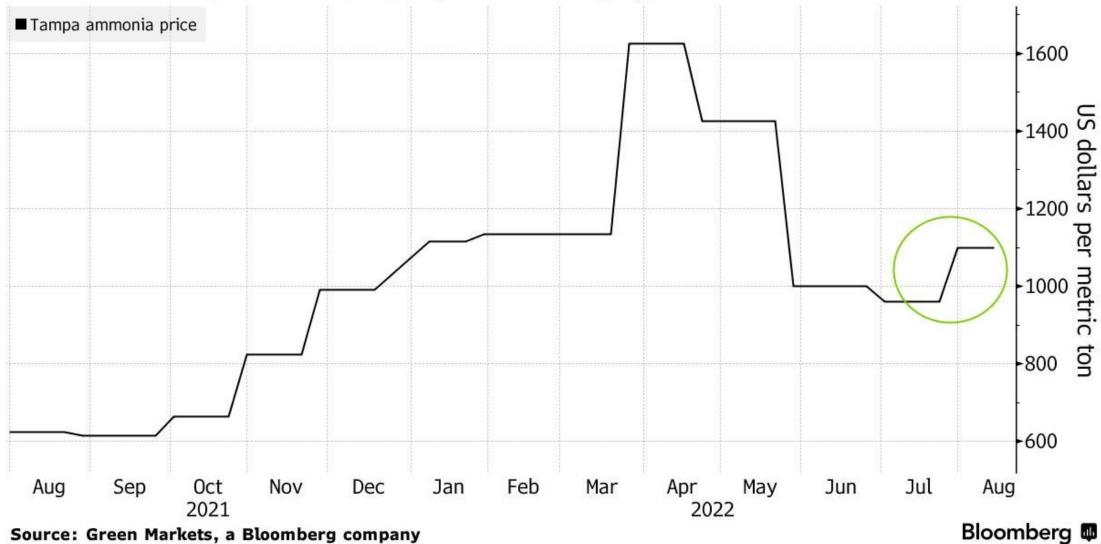
• The goal of fertilizing grains is to increase the yield



#### Nitrogen Fertilizer Cost





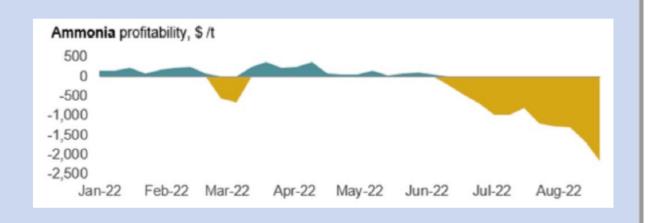


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# Today's EU Fertilizer Shutdowns Are Tomorrow's Food Shortages/Famine

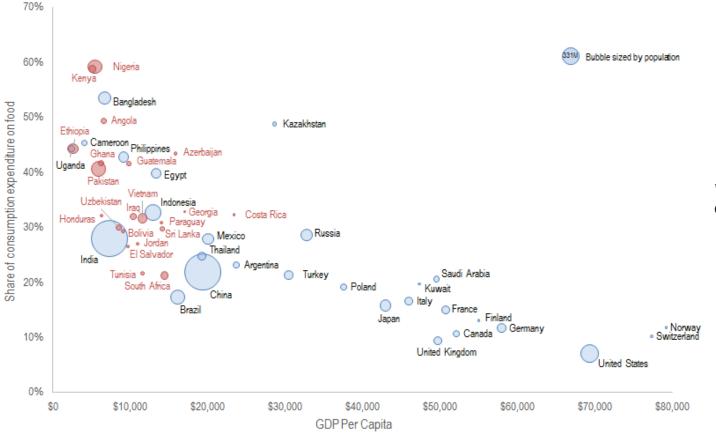
- ≈ 70% of Europe's fertilizer capacity has been shuttered due to high nat gas prices
- Ammonia prices up 5x since 1Q21
- China began restricting fertilizer exports October 2021
- Russia began restricting exports in March 2022
- Harpole: "Fertilizer production in Europe is over"
- Africa facing "shortage of at least 30 million metric tons of food"





### Figure 3: Low- and middle-income countries are most vulnerable to rising food prices given a larger share of income is spent on food

Share of consumer expenditure spent on food (2020, latest data available) vs. GDP per capita, 2021. Food expenditure relates only to food bought for consumption at home (i.e., it excludes out-of-home food purchases) and excludes alcoholic beverages and tobacco products.

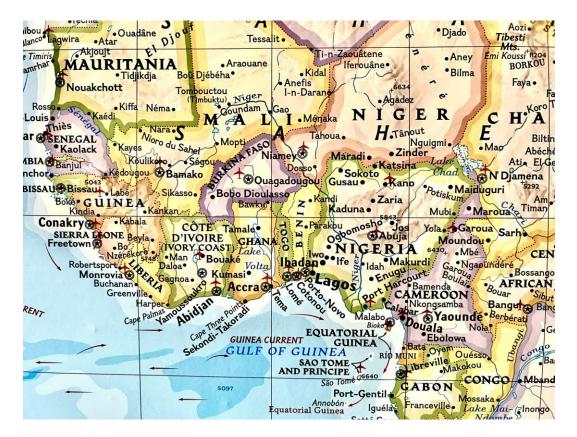


\*Countries highlighted in red are currently in NEXGEM

#### Surging Fertilizer Prices Set to Exacerbate African and Mid-East Food Crisis



- Use of nutrients may shrink by a third in sub-Saharan Africa
- Import-dependent region may face increasing food shortages



"That could potentially curb cereals output by 30 million tons, enough to feed 100 million people."

Sebastian Nduva, Program Manager at AfricaFertilizer.Org

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#### Is this a sunset business?



A leading indicator of a sunset business is the inability to attract capital investments into expensive, long-term projects. This is not happening in natural gas.



- Over the past year and a half, nearly 50binding contracts have been signed for LNG offtake from facilities on the U.S. Gulf Coast
- Of these contracts, about 75% contemplate a start date in 2026 or 2027
- Of these contracts, over 70% run for 20 years and about 25% run for 15 years
- Conclusion: Sophisticated investors are betting material capital that this will remain a good business through at lest 2045

#### **Conclusions**



- European natural gas prices will remain 5x-10x the historical norm for the next 3 years
- That will cause the continued deindustrialization of Europe
- Putin's goal of separating the EU may succeed
- Food security and famine will be one of the top concerns of all world leaders
- This is essentially a clash between globalism and nationalism
- This is also the clash between the extreme radical environmental agenda and energy pragmatism

#### Closing



The far green left still doesn't understand scale.

Daniel Yergin: "... this is a \$90 trillion world economy that gets 80% of its energy from hydrocarbons. It's not going to change overnight."

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