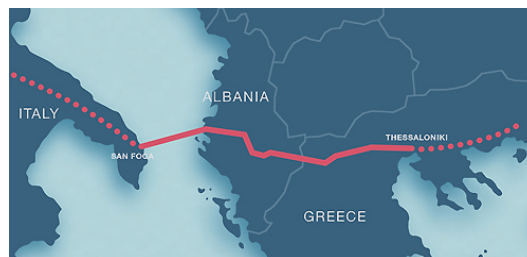


ANNOUNCEMENT

TAP

Trans Adriatic Pipeline



Trans Adriatic Pipeline organises open community meetings for the Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA)

The Trans Adriatic Pipeline (TAP) is a natural gas pipeline project. The TAP pipeline will transport gas from Caspian region via Greece and Albania and across the Adriatic Sea to southern Italy and further to western Europe. TAP will enter Albania from Greece at Miras in Korça region. The landfall will be located in the coastal area north-west from Fier. After 2 years work in Albania for selecting the appropriate route for the pipeline, TAP has commissioned a detailed, integrated Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) to be conducted by a group of Albanian and international experts in accordance with the Albanian law in line with the Environmental and Social Policy of the EBRD's (European Bank for Reconstruction and Development). The purpose of the ESIA is to assess the potential impacts of the project and project-related activities on the environment and socio-economic resources and to design mitigation or enhancement measures to avoid, remove or reduce negative impacts to the environment. Field investigations on the environmental, socio-economic situation of the areas crossed by the route corridor will commence in June 2011 and will continue through the following months. During this period the work team will meet the Albanian Government, Regional authorities relevant for the project (Korçe, Berat and Fier) as well as districts, municipalities, communes and villages of the areas crossed by the proposed pipeline route.

TAP wishes to meet any interested person who would like to learn more about the project or provide their feedback and therefore organizes a series of community meetings on the following locations and dates (further appointments will be published in the next days):

Korça

Date	Commune	Settlement	Time	Venue
07/06/2011	Mollaj	Komuna Mollaj/kamenice	9am	Local school
		Uje I Bardhe	2pm	Village centre
		Uje I Bardhe Focus Group (Agriculture/farming)	4pm	Village centre
08/06/2011	Drenove	Komuna Drenove	9am	Local school
		Komuna Drenove Focus Group (Teacher/health worker)	11am	
		Dardhe	2pm	Local school
		Dardhe Focus group (Tourism)	4pm	
09/06/2011	Miras	Miras	9am	Commune Premises
		Miras Focus Group (Agriculture/farming)	11am	

Çorovoda-Berat

Date	Commune	Settlement/	Time	Venue
07/06/2011	Vendreshe	Vendreshe	9am	Communal Premises
		Vendreshe Focus group (Agriculture)	11am	Communal Premises
		Therpele	2pm	Local school
		Therpele Focus Group (elderly)	4pm	Local school
08/06/2011	Vendreshe	Vendreshe e Vogel	9am	Village centre
		Vendreshe e Vogel Focus group (Agriculture)	11am	Village centre
		Vale / Ustie Focus group (Agriculture)	2pm	Private houses
		Vale / Ustie	4pm	Private houses
09/06/2011	Bogove	Komuna Bogove	9am	tbc

Berat

Date	Commune	Stakeholder/	Time	Venue
07/06/2011	Otlak	Komuna Otlak	9am	Commune Premises
		Komuna Otlak Focus Group (Land owner)	11am	Commune Premises
		Morave	2pm	Local school
		Ullinjas	4pm	Village center
08/06/2011	Ura Vajgurore	Guri I Bardhe	9am	Cultural Center
		Guri I Bardhe	11am	Cultural Center
		Konisbalt/Vokopole	2pm	Village Center
		Konisbalt/Vokopole Interview: Teacher/health worker	4pm	Village Center
		Konisbalt/Vokopole	6pm	
09/06/2011	Poshnje	Komuna Poshnje	9am	Communal premises

Fier

Date	Commune	Stakeholder/	Time	Venue
07/06/2011	Mbrostar	Mbrostar ura	9am	Communal Premises
		Mbrostar ura Focus Group (Agriculture/farming)	11am	Olive's plantation
		Petove	1pm	School
		Vetri	4pm	School
08/06/2011	Topoje	Seman	9am	
		Seman I ri	11am	
		Sheq-marinas	2pm	
		Gryke	4pm	
09/06/2011	Dermenas	Komuna Dermenas	9am	In the center of the commune
		Komuna Dermenas Focus Group (women)	11am	In the center of the commune
		Hoxhare	2pm	Center of village
		Hoxhare Focus Group (Teacher/health worker)	4pm	Centre of village

TAP also welcomes any feedback from stakeholders through the following channels:

By email: esia-comments@tap-ag.com

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By fax: : + 355 42 265 685

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