

MS	PSO
AT	<p>Austria's gas PSOs can be found in section 4 of the "Federal Act Providing New Rules for the Natural Gas Sector (Natural Gas Act)". The full text in English is available on the website of E-Control (www.e-control.at) by choosing the following options:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - "English" -- "Law" --- "Federal" ---- "Full liberalisation of the Austrian energy market & green electricity" (page 87)
BE	<p>1. National legislation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Article 15/1 of the Gas Act (12/04/1965), modified by article 20 from the law of 01/06/2005 =general obligation related to the responsibility of the maintenance of the gas installations - Article 15/11,§1 of the Gas Act (12/04/1965), modified by article 109 (law of 22/12/2008) and article 5 (law of 27/02/2003) =PSO on the necessary investments (al.1°) and on both the regularity and quality of supplies (al. 2°) - Royal Decree of 16/12/1999 giving a list of priority consumers in case of supply disruption - Ministerial Decree of 23/10/2002 related to PSOs in the gas market general = implementing decree for already mentioned article 15/11, §1, al.1° (Gas Act of 12/04/1965) and indicating specific cases where supply disruption is authorized <p>2. Regional legislation : (distribution network)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Flemish « Energy Decree » on enegy policy (08/05/2009) concerning i.a. the DSO's responsibilities (art. 4.1.6) and Public Service Obligations imposed to DSO's & suppliers (art. 4.1.16, 4.1.19, 4.1.20, 4.1.22, 6.1.1, 6.1.2., 7.5.1) - The Flemish « Act » on energy policy (19/11/2010) concerning the organisation of the gas market including Public Service Obligations (several articles under Titel III) - The Flemish «Technical Regulation Gas Distribution» by Ministerial Decree (21/01/2010) concerning Planning Code (Chapter II) http://www.vreg.be/sites/default/files/uploads/documenten/technische%20reglementen/TRDG20091204.pdf - The Walloon « Decree » on gas market (19/12/2002) concerning i.a. the DSO's responsibilities (art. 12) and the Public Service Obligations imposed to DSO's & suppliers (art. 32-33) - The Walloon « Decree » on gas market (19/12/2002) concerning i.a. the DSO 's Investments Plan called Adaptation Plan (art.16) aiming to ensure the continuity of supply, the safety, the development and the extension of the network - The Brussels « Ordonnance » on gas market (01/04/2004, modified by Ord. 14-12-2006) concerning i.a. the DSO's responsibilities and tasks (art. 5) and the Public Service Obligations imposed to DSO's & suppliers (art. 18) - The Brussels « Ordonnance » on gas market (01/04/2004, modified by Ord. 14/12/2006) concerning i.a. the DSO 's Investments Plan (art. 10) aiming to the continuity and the security of supply <p>* Important information : all the mentioned laws and decrees are available through the search tool on the official website for publication of Belgian legislation : http://www.ejustice.just.fgov.be/cgi/welcome.pl</p>
BG	<p>http://www.mi.government.bg/eng/norm/rdocs/mdoc.html?id=187497 Chapter Six (articles 69-71) is on Public Obligations, other provisions of the act relate to universal service as defined in §1, item 4.</p> <p>Certain provisions of the secondary legislation like the regulations on natural gas pricing and licensing the activities in the energy sector touch upon PSOs.</p> <p>Annual Report of the Energy Regulator - http://old.dker.bg/reports/rep_sewrc_10.pdf Item 6.2 on page 50 is on PSO in the natural gas sector.</p>
CY	N/A
CZ	The topic of Public Service Obligation is encapsulated in the Governmental bill amending the Act No. 458/2000 Coll. on Business Conditions and Public Administration in the Energy Sector, especially in Art. 3, Para.(2) and then in Art.12 and Art.12a., see attachment 2.
DK	None

EE	<p>According to the Natural Gas Act http://www.mkm.ee/public/Natural_Gas_Act_2009.doc (Chapter 1 Section 9) the seller of gas who has the greatest market share within a network area is required to sell gas to all household customer who have a network connection and who are located within its network area if customers so desire. According to the section 91 the gas undertaking in a dominant position on the market does not have the right to refuse to sell gas to household customer, if the customer requests that gas be sold (obligation to supply).</p> <p>According to the Natural Gas Act (Chapter 3 Sections 26 and 261) gas supply to a household customer and to undertakings who produce heat for heating of residential spaces and who have no possibility to use other fuel than gas for fuel may not be suspended or restricted during the period from 1 October to 1 May except in cases of danger to the life, health or property of persons or to the environment. If a household customer has failed to pay the amount payable according to the contract entered into with the seller and the household customer uses gas for heating a dwelling used as a permanent residence, gas supply may be suspended during the period from 1 October to 30 April only when forty five days have passed since the receipt of the notice.</p> <p>Organisational, economic and legal bases of social welfare are stipulated in Social Welfare Act http://www.legaltext.ee/et/andmebaas/tekst.asp?loc=text&keel=en&pg=1&ptyyp=RT&tyyp=X&dok=X1043K10</p> <p>Social benefits are considered in Chapter 4 of Social Welfare Act.</p>
FI	<p>Natural Gas Market Act: http://www.energiamarckinavirasto.fi/alasivu.asp?gid=132&languageid=826</p> <p>See chapter 4 section 5 paragraph 2</p>
FR	http://www.developpement-durable.gouv.fr/-loi-du-21-janvier-2008-.html
DE	<p>http://www.gesetze-im-internet.de/enwg_2005/</p> <p>(see §53a)</p>
EL	<p>1. Supplier obligation to provide uninterruptedly natural gas to customers who are not major customers in case of emergency (Gas Law 3428/2005 - art. 24 par. 3).</p> <p>2. Suppliers of last resort: All suppliers of natural gas to Customers who are not Major Customers (Ministerial Decision • 1/A/5815/2010).</p> <p>3. Administrative measures that facilitate disabled customers and the elderly in their transactions with their provider. Prohibition on disconnecting these customers, due to non-payment, from November through February. Gas Distribution Licenses (Ministerial Decisions • 1/18887/2001, • 1/•/ 7/11819/2000, • 1/•/ 7/11818/2000)</p>
HU	Act XL of 2008 on Natural Gas Supply and further related legislation on website http://www.eh.gov.hu/home/html/index.asp?msid=1&sid=0&lng=2&hkl=251
IE	None
IT	www.autorita.energia.it
LV	<p>http://www.vvc.gov.lv/advantagecms/LV/meklet/meklet_dokumentus.html?query=energy%20law&resultsPerPage=10</p> <p>Paragraph 5 "Licensing of Energy Supply Merchants and Operation Thereof"</p> <p>http://www.sprk.gov.lv/?sadala=134</p>
LT	<p>Natural gas law: http://www3.lrs.lt/pls/inter3/dokpaieska.showdoc_l?p_id=350355</p> <p>Government decision on Security Ensuring Measures of Natural Gas Supply: http://www3.lrs.lt/pls/inter3/dokpaieska.showdoc_l?p_id=384476</p>
LUX	<p>Article 11. (1)-(3) of Law of 1st August 2007 relative to the organization of the natural gas market</p> <p>http://www.legilux.public.lu/leg/a/archives/2007/0153/a153.pdf#page=6</p>
MT	N/A
NL	http://www.energiekamer.nl/images/Besluit-leveringszekerheid-Gaswet_tcm7-4581.pdf
PL	<p>http://www.mg.gov.pl/files/upload/8351/inf.%201.pdf</p> <p>http://www.mg.gov.pl/Gospodarka/Ropa+i+gaz/Obowiazujace+prawo</p>
PT	<p>Decree Law 30/2006 - http://www.dre.pt/pdf1sdip/2006/02/033A00/12041217.PDF</p> <p>Decree Law 140/2006 - http://www.dre.pt/pdf1sdip/2006/07/14300/52845338.PDF</p> <p>http://www.dgge.pt/ Página Inicial / Legislação / Gás Natural / Bases do Sector Gás Natural</p>
RO	<p>www.anre.ro</p> <p>Law 346/2007</p> <p>Law 351/2004</p> <p>Order 37/2007</p> <p>Decision 1271/2004</p> <p>Decision 1362/2006</p>

SK	None
SI	Energy Act http://zakonodaja.gov.si/rpsi/r00/predpis_ZAKO1550.html Decree on security of supply http://www.uradni-list.si/1/objava.jsp?urlid=20078&stevilka=319
ES	Compulsory stocks. (Art 98 de la Ley 34/1998 de 7 de octubre del Sector de Hidrocarburos). Diversification Supply Art 99 de la Ley 34/1998 de 7 de octubre del Sector de Hidrocarburos).
SE	None
UK	None