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## **First monitoring report on EASEE-gas Common Practices issued**

EASEE-gas, the European Association for the Streamlining of Energy Exchange-gas formed in March 2002, has issued the first monitoring report on progress of implementation of the approved "Common Business Practices". Common Business Practices simplify and streamline business processes and thereby lead to an efficient and effective European gas market.

The development of Common Business Practices is managed by an Executive Committee composed of industry representatives from each part of the gas value chain. EASEE-gas currently has some 78 full members (gas companies) and 14 associate members (associations, regulators).

So far, EASEE-gas has approved three Common Business Practices:

- o CBP 2003-01 Harmonisation of Units
- o CBP 2003-02 Harmonisation of Nominations & Matching Process
- o CBP 2003-03 EDIG@S

Other areas with work in progress include:

- o Harmonisation of Gas Quality Specifications
- o Codification
- o Constraint Handling
- o Interconnection Agreements
- o Messaging Protocols

Wim Groenendijk, chairman of the Executive Committee says "After approval of three Common Business Practices it is important to monitor the implementation by EASEE-gas members and to identify any barriers to implementation. We have seen some good progress but there is more to be done before the effective date of October this year."

Intention is from now on to annually report on implementation progress.

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*The CBP Implementation Survey as well as the CBPs can be found on the EASEE-gas website - [www.easee-gas.org](http://www.easee-gas.org)*