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## **Press Release**

## A Volume of 58.5 Billion Cubic Metres of Natural Gas Was Transported Through the Nord Stream Pipeline in 2019

## Pipeline utilisation remains on the previous year's level

In 2019, Nord Stream AG transported 58.5 billion cubic metres (bcm) of natural gas to consumers in Europe through the Nord Stream Pipeline. Thanks to uninterrupted operation throughout the year, the pipeline was loaded at a level comparable to that of 2018.

By the end of 2019, a total volume of 322.5 bcm of gas had been transported since the commissioning of Line 1 of the Nord Stream Pipeline in November 2011.

Nord Stream AG ensures the reliable, safe and efficient operation of the twin pipeline. Scheduled maintenance and inspection works of the pipeline are performed in accordance with industry quality standards. In 2019, annual preventive maintenance works were carried out in July.

The twin pipeline system through the Baltic Sea with a length of 1,224 kilometres is the shortest connection for European consumers to the vast gas reserves in the north of Russia. It stretches from Vyborg, Russia to Lubmin near Greifswald, Germany. By transporting natural gas, the Nord Stream pipeline system plays a key role in supporting CO<sub>2</sub> reduction goals in Europe. It increases security of supply for consumers and strengthens the competitiveness of European industry.

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