

## **New director to join GASPOOL's management board**

Berlin, 11 December 2017. The shareholders of GASPOOL Balancing Services GmbH have appointed Dr Sebastian Kemper as company managing director effective 1 January 2018. The 37-year-old lawyer, currently head of Legal/Regulatory Affairs & Public Relations at GASPOOL, joins current managing director Jörg Ehmke, who has been managing GASPOOL since 2014 and will continue in his position, at the helm of the company. In his new position Mr Kemper will head the Market Area Management department in addition to continuing to oversee his current areas of responsibility.

“The importance of the market area manager's role and especially of the operational aspects of its business, which include the registration and administration of balancing groups, the physical balancing of the market area and the running of the virtual trading point, has grown enormously over the years. Given this background and the pending merger of the two remaining German market areas we think it's sensible to have a two-people board manage the GASPOOL business. We are delighted that Sebastian Kemper, who is an experienced manager and has contributed greatly to shaping GASPOOL's development over the past years, has agreed to accept this responsible task”, says Ralph Bahke, director of Leipzig-based ONTRAS Gastransport, in a statement issued on behalf of all GASPOOL shareholders.

## **Curriculum vitae Dr Sebastian Kemper**

2000 to 2006                      Studying law at the University of Münster and at the Universidad de Sevilla

2006 to 2008                      Trainee lawyer at Krefeld Regional Court

Mr Kemper then completed a doctoral thesis on the gas network access regimes in Germany and Spain at FU Berlin University under the supervision of Professor Säcker.

2010 to 2012                      Consultant in the German and European energy law department at E.ON Ruhrgas AG.

Since May 2012                      GASPOOL Balancing Services GmbH, Berlin, currently head of Legal/Regulatory Affairs & Public Relations.

### About GASPOOL

GASPOOL Balancing Services GmbH is a Berlin-based joint venture of GASCADE Gastransport GmbH, Gastransport Nord GmbH, Gasunie Deutschland Transport Services GmbH, Nowega GmbH and ONTRAS Gastransport GmbH.

The object of our company is the operation of the GASPOOL market area in Germany, which connects around 350 downstream natural gas transportation networks. Following the integration of the market area H-Gas Norddeutschland, Jordgas Transport GmbH also joined the market area cooperation.