

International workshops on the global LNG market

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Background

- Importance of LNG for the EU's and Japan's objectives of reliable, affordable and sustainable energy supply
- EU Strategy for LNG and gas storage (February 2016)
- Japan's Strategy for LNG Market Development (May 2016)



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Rationale

- LNG trading rules and practices that lead to more flexibility and the convergence of global gas markets are seen as the best condition for durable competitively priced LNG supplies and for improving the resilience of the international market and its capacity to respond to emergencies.



EU – Japan Memorandum of Cooperation (11 July 2017)

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<https://ec.europa.eu/energy/en/news/eu-and-japan-boost-cooperation-energy-security>



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1. flexibility in contracts for LNG sale and purchase
2. the organization of gas hubs in consumer markets
3. price transparency and reporting
4. sustaining a robust investment climate.

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*Model Clause on diversion :
https://www.jurists.co.jp/ja/news/181022_2.html*



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- 'incremental changes' to traditional LNG market model
- address a buyer-seller mismatch as evidenced by lack of investment decisions in recent years



Allow and promote that gas flows to where it is most needed and most valued

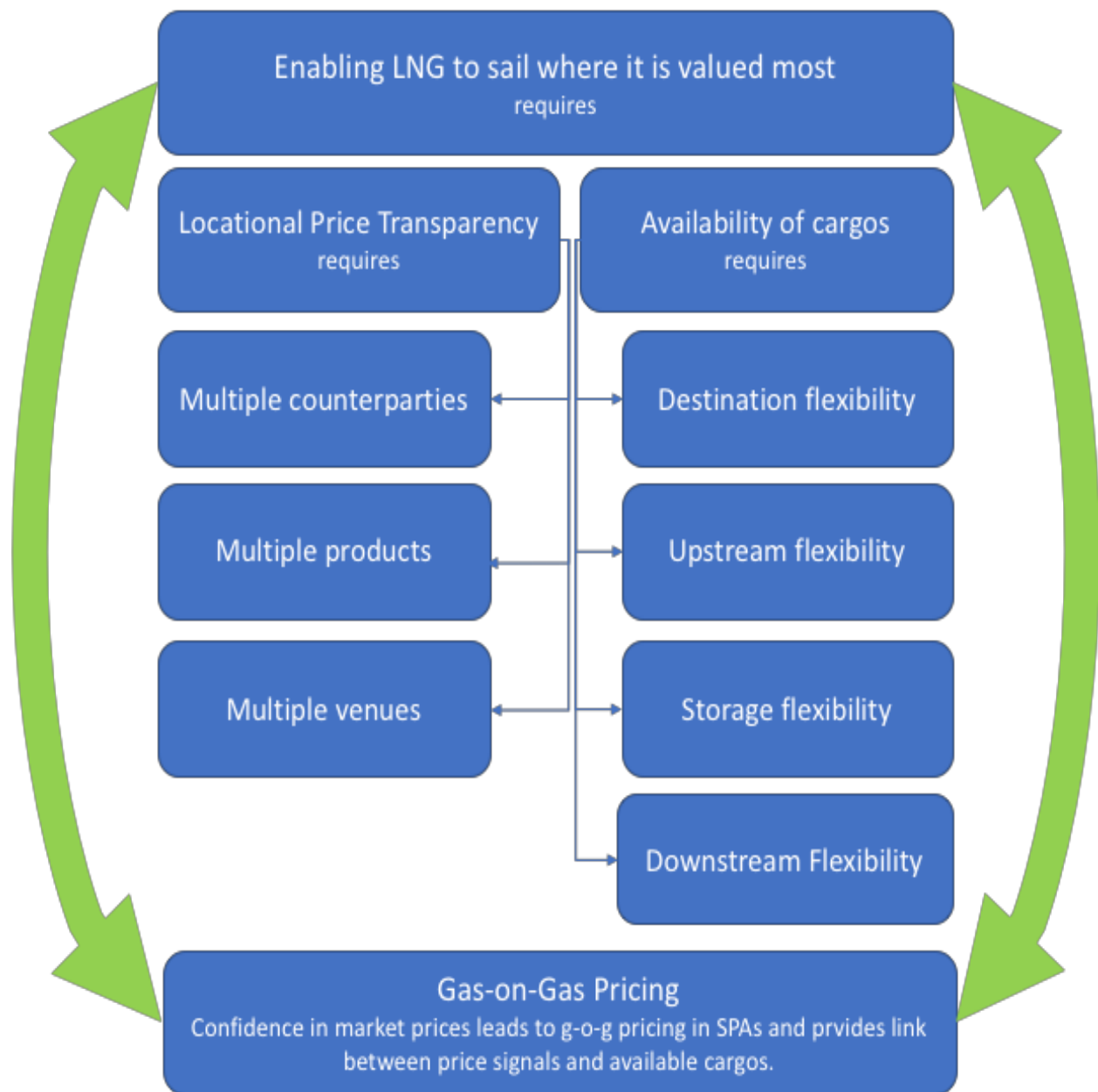
→ flexible trade as requested by consumers

→ return on investment to be ensured through deep trading opportunities

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