

Press release

ERSE launches public consultation on the cost-sharing mechanism for renewable gases producers connected to the gas public network, and on logistics models for renewable gases

ERSE – the Energy Services Regulatory Authority – has launched a public consultation on amendments to the regulatory framework concerning the cost-sharing for the connection renewable gas production facilities to the public gas network.

This amendment follows the approval of [Decree-Law No. 94/2026](#) of 30 April, which amends [Decree-Law No. 62/2020](#) of 28 August. This new legislation establishes the aforementioned cost-sharing mechanism, and assigns ERSE with the responsibility for approving its relevant criteria and methodology.

The public consultation sets out four key areas for discussion: (i) the cost-sharing mechanism between producers and the national gas system (SNG), (ii) the regulated prices and the feed-in tariff for distribution networks, applicable to producers, (iii) the logistics models associated with renewable and low-carbon gases, and (iv) the network operation, balancing and management procedures, aimed at facilitating the integration of these production facilities in the public network and the conveying of these gases in the public network.

To implement these changes, ERSE proposes amendments to three gas sector regulations: (i) the Regulation on Commercial Relations in the Electricity and Gas Sectors ([RRC](#)); (ii) the Gas Sector Tariff Regulation ([RT](#)); and (iii) the Regulation on Access to Networks, Infrastructure and Interconnections in the Gas Sector ([RARII](#)).

This initiative aims to establish more favourable regulatory and economic conditions for connecting renewable and low-carbon gases production facilities to the national gas system. Ultimately, it seeks to promote the rational use of domestic energy resources while protecting consumers interests.

In addition to the main regulations, ERSE is consulting on amendments to a set of subordinate legislation. Specifically, the consultation also covers: i) the Tariffs and Prices Directive for the 2026–2027 gas year ([Directive No. 3/2026](#) of 26 June), ii) the general conditions for the use of transmission and distribution networks ([Directive No. 24/2022](#) and [Directive No. 26/2022](#), both of 23 December), iii) the rules laying down the commercial conditions for connection to the network ([Directive No. 2/2011](#), of 26 July), iv) the Gas Supply Logistics Management Manual ([MGLA](#)) and v) the Manual of Procedures for the Overall Technical Management of the National Gas System ([MPGTG](#)).

All interested parties are invited to comment by 21 September 2026.

[Access the public consultation documents](#)

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