



**Gas Appliance
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**GAS
Connections**

Week commencing 29 August 2016

Medium-Term Market Report 2016 - European Gas Hub report

Report conclusions:

- The gas landscape is changing: production growth is increasingly driven by the US & Australia; demand growth by developing Asia
- Traditional exporters will come under pressure as competition from new supply sources intensifies
- Global gas prices are set to stay under pressure as a huge amount of LNG export capacity is coming online just as demand slows
- Lower prices have triggered a collapse in new investment
- IEA is taking on a new mandate on gas security – low prices & well supplied markets give no place for complacency. [view full report here](#)

IAPMO R&T OCEANA new Managing Director – press release

Melbourne, Australia (Aug. 29, 2016) - The IAPMO Group is pleased to announce the hiring of Paul Bonsak as Managing Director of IAPMO Oceana.

He takes over the helm of an Oceana operation that certifies products in both the water and gas industry sectors for compliance with Australian and New Zealand codes and standards.

Bonsak brings to Oceana 17 years' professional experience in the plumbing industry, the last nine working at a statutory authority ensuring the safety of these systems. As Executive Manager of Energy Safe Victoria's (ESV) Gas Installation and Appliance Safety division, Bonsak managed all aspects of ESV's responsibilities in the areas of gas installations, gas appliances, service and use, and energy efficiency of gas appliances.

Prior to ESV, Bonsak was General Manager of Kleenmaid, an Australian owned kitchen appliance brand, and General Manager Asia/Pacific for Emerson Electric's Appliance Division, for which he was responsible for overseeing all financial, marketing, and sales activity in Australia, New Zealand, and Asia. "Spending all my adult life and some of my teenage years working in the plumbing industry has instilled in me a strong commitment to ensure communities are kept safe and protected from poor and dangerous plumbing and gas installations," Bonsak said. "My decision to join IAPMO Oceana was founded from this commitment. It originated from my visit to IAPMO Headquarters in Ontario, Calif., where the dedicated professional team, whose commitments aligned with my own, impressed me." Bonsak studied plumbing and gasfitting at Swinburne Technical College and is a member of the Plumbers and Gasfitters Registration Board and the Institute of Gas Engineers.

"Paul brings to IAPMO Oceana a perfect blend of industry, regulatory, and product certification leadership experience," said GP Russ Chaney, CEO of The IAPMO Group.

"He is keenly aware of what the industry and regulatory bodies expect from a world class product certification agency, thus perfectly positioned to spearhead IAPMO Oceana's continued growth and success."

GAMAA congratulates Paul on his new appointment and looks forward to retaining and building on the close relations developed over many years.

GAMAA's 52nd AGM – Last chance to register your attendance

The GAMAA AGM will be held on Thursday 15 September 2016 at 1.15pm at Ai Group, L2. 441 St Kilda Road, Melbourne.

All GAMAA members will have received their AGM pack email that contained the relevant documents pertaining to our upcoming AGM.

Please note lunch will be provided at 12.30pm prior to the AGM.

It is important to send your Attendance document back to associations@aigroup.com.au by 1 September.