

## **Confidentiality Statement**

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- hereinafter "INES" -

for **participation in the market survey** regarding the requirement for hydrogen storage capacities, entitled "Market Assessment for Hydrogen Storage".

- hereinafter the "Market Survey" -

With the Market Survey, INES is establishing a pooled nationwide (Germany) basis upon which storage operators will be able to comply with the future obligation pursuant to Article 8 ("Market assessment for renewable gas and low-carbon gas by LNG and storage system operators") of the EU regulation on the internal markets for renewable gases and natural gas, and for hydrogen ("EU Gas Package"). The regulation prescribes that storage operators must perform a market assessment for investments in storage for renewable and low-carbon gases, including hydrogen, at least every two years. The relevant regulatory authorities must be informed regarding the result of the market assessment.

The Market Survey is aimed at all companies who intend to store hydrogen in hydrogen tanks in the future. Within the scope of the Market Survey, various information will be collected from a company participating in the Market Survey (hereinafter "Participant").

That being said, INES declares the following to the Participant:

- 1. "Confidential information" refers to all information made accessible by the Participant within the scope of the Market Survey, via the online tool, LamaPoll, made accessible on the INES website via the URL https://energien-speichern.de/en/mahs-survey/.
- 2. Information is not or is no longer considered confidential if it
  - a) is publicly known,
  - b) becomes publicly known without any violation of this non-disclosure agreement, or
  - c) was or is accessible to INES without any violation of this non-disclosure agreement.

- 3. INES undertakes to refrain from making confidential information accessible to third parties. However, confidential information may be made accessible to third parties who are obliged by law to maintain professional secrecy or who have assumed an obligation similar to that undertaken in this privacy statement. The obligation to maintain confidentiality does not apply with regard to the courts and authorities, insofar as they request confidential information by means of a mandatory order. In the case of such a request for information, the Participant must be notified immediately.
- 5. Confidential information may only be used for the Market Survey.
- 6. INES complies with the applicable data protection regulations.
- 7. This confidentiality statement shall become effective upon being downloaded by the Participant.

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