

 Early Warning System

DFC-2024-BULGARTRANSGAZ

Bulgartransgaz EAD



## Quick Facts

<b>Countries</b>	Bulgaria
<b>Specific Location</b>	Chiren, Vratsa province
<b>Financial Institutions</b>	US International Development Finance Corporation (DFC)
<b>Status</b>	Approved
<b>Bank Risk Rating</b>	A
<b>Borrower</b>	Citibank N.A., Bulgartransgaz EAD
<b>Sectors</b>	Energy
<b>Investment Type(s)</b>	Guarantee
<b>Investment Amount (USD)</b>	\$ 309.96 million
<b>Loan Amount (USD)</b>	\$ 309.96 million
<b>Project Cost (USD)</b>	\$ 343.30 million



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## Project Description

As stated by the DFC, the Project is the expansion of the Borrower's Chiren underground gas storage facility ("UGS") in Bulgaria from a current active gas volume of 550 million cubic meters ("mcm") to 1 billion cubic meters ("bcm"). The Project will support energy security by providing Bulgaria and other European countries with additional storage capacity and greater flexibility as to when and from where to source gas as the region seeks to diversify its gas supply away from Russia.



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## Investment Description

- US International Development Finance Corporation (DFC)



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### Private Actors Description

As stated by Bloomberg, Citibank, N.A. operates as a bank. The Bank provides saving accounts, deposits, loans, mortgages, investment fund, credit, debit cards, insurance, capital markets, advisory, electronic, and private banking services. Citibank serves customers worldwide.

As stated on the company's website, Bulgartransgaz EAD is a combined operator performing licensed activities of natural gas transmission and storage.



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Private Actor 1	Private Actor 1 Role	Private Actor 1 Sector	Relation	Private Actor 2	Private Actor 2 Role	Private Actor 2 Sector
Citibank NA	Investor	Finance	invests in	Bulgartransgaz EAD	Client	Energy

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## Contact Information

*No project contacts provided at the time of disclosure.*

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**Bank Documents**

- [Project Disclosure](#) [\[Original Source\]](#)





### Other Related Projects

- EBRD-53940 RLF - Bulgartransgaz Strategic Gas Reserve Financing
- DFC-BULGARTRANGAZ Bulgartransgaz EAD Project