## 1 Europe's adaptation to the energy crisis: Reshaped gas supply-

# transmission-consumption structures and driving factors from 2022 to 2024

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- 13 Abstract. The 2022 invasion of Ukraine by Russia triggered a significant energy crisis in the EU27&UK, leading to
- 14 profound changes in their natural gas supply, transmission, and consumption dynamics. To analyze those pattern
- 15 shifts, we first update our natural gas supply dataset, EUGasSC, with daily country- and sector-specific supply
- sources. We then provide a newly constructed daily intra-EU natural gas transmission dataset, EUGasNet, with
- 17 specified supply sources utilizing the ENTSOG (European Network of Transmission System Operators for Gas) and
- 18 EUGasSC data. To further understand the economic and climatic impacts, we finally developed EUGasImpact, a
- 19 daily dataset with sector-specific driving factors of consumption changes based on change attribution models using
- 20 multiple open datasets. Those datasets are available on the Zenodo platform:
- 21 <u>https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.11175364</u> (Zhou et al., 2024). On the supply side, Russian gas supply to the
- 22 EU27&UK was cut by 87.8% (976.8 TWh per winter) during the post-invasion winters compared to the previous
- 23 winters. LNG imports become the largest gas supply source, rising from 20.7% to 37.5% of the total gas supply. Our
- 24 intra-EU gas transmission analysis showed the gas transmission network was adjusted to mitigate the large gas
- shortfalls in Germany and distribute LNG arrivals. Total gas consumption fell by **19.0%**, which was driven by 1)
- consumer behavioral changes in household heating (contributed to 28.529% of the total reduction, the same for the
- following numbers), 2) drops in industrial production (24.525%), 3) heating drops due to the warmer winter
- temperatures (10.611%), 4) shifts towards renewable electricity including wind, solar, and hydro (10.2%), 5)
- decline in gas-powered electricity generation (9.4%), 6) adoptions of energy-efficient heat pumps for industrial gas
- heating (4.2%), 7) shifts towards non-renewable electricity including coal, oil, and nuclear (0.81%), and 8) other
- 31 unmodeled factors (11.8%). We evaluated the benefits and costs associated with these pattern changes and
- 32 discussed whether these changes would potentially lead to long-term structural changes in the EU energy dynamics.
- 33 Our datasets and these insights can provide valuable perspectives for understanding the consequences of this energy
- 34 crisis and the challenges to future energy security in the EU.

#### 35 1.Introduction

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36 The European Union faced an energy crisis triggered by the Russian invasion of Ukraine in 2022, which led to a

37 sudden halt of natural gas supplies from Russia, the EU's largest gas supplier (Conscious uncoupling: Europeans'

**38** Russian gas challenge in Kardaś, 2023, 2023). In the year prior, 2021, Russia exported 155×109 m3 bcm of natural

gas ( $1.6 \times 10^3$  TWh), accounting for 45% of the total EU gas imports (Eurostat, n.d.)-2023 a). The subsequent winters

40 of this crisis presented crucial tests for the EU's ability to manage the disruption in Russian pipeline gas imports (A

41 Test Of Endurance: Europe Faces A Chilling Couple Of Years, But Russia Stands To Lose The Energy

42 Showdown, Prince et al., 2023), especially considering the high heating demand in the cold seasons and the unexpected

43 energy supply shortfalls (Zhou et al., 2023).

44 Prior studies have suggested multiple strategies to mitigate the energy crisis: 1) on the supply side, increasing gas

45 imports from alternative suppliers, including additional imports from LNG and existing pipelines from Northern
 46 Africa and Middle East (Preparing for the next winter: Europe's gas outlook for 2023, 2023) (The gas situation in

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48 (Castellano et al., 2023), 2) in terms of gas transmission, enhancing the intra-EU gas redistribution to balance the 49 supply and demand among member states (Zhou et al., 2023), 3) on the consumption side, reducing gas demand, such 50 as energy conservation, scaling down industrial production (Baseline European Union gas demand and supply in 2023) 51 -How to Avoid Gas Shortages in the European Union in 2023 - Analysis, 2023) (Europe's energy crisis: What factors 52 drove the record fall in natural gas demand in 2022?, IEA, 2023, a) (Zeniewski et al., 2023), 4) regarding the energy 53 structure, diversifying energy sources from gas, for instance, increasing the number of heat pumps, and switching to 54 non-gas-powered electricity (Conscious uncoupling: Europeans' Russian gas challenge in 2023, 2023) (Averting 55 Crisis, Europe Learns to Live Without Russian Energy, 2023). Kardaś, 2023) (Hockenos, 2023). However, there is a 56 pressing need for detailed, high-resolution data to quantify the significance of those pathways in structural supply-57 transmission-consumption pattern changes and their economic-climatic impacts after the energy crisis. Additionally,

quantitative assessment of intra-EU gas redirection in mitigating the crisis remains unclear, particularly since there
 were transmission "bottlenecks" in the intra-EU gas transmission net (Zhou et al., 2023) (LNG exports for selected
 countries, 2015 2025ENTSOG, 2020).

61 To address these needs, we developed comprehensive datasets for supply, transmission, and consumption at daily 62 resolution, respectively. On the supply side, we updated our EU natural gas dataset, EUGasSC (Zhou et al., 2023), 63 which provides the country- and sector-specific gas supply patterns. For analyzing intra-EU gas redirection, we 64 provide a newly constructed intra-EU gas transmission net dataset, EUGasNet, utilizing the ENTSOG (European 65 Network of Transmission System Operators for Gas) (ENTSOG, 2023) and EUGasSC data. To quantify the driving 66 factors in the heating, power, and industrial sectors, we developed EUGasImpact using sectoral-specific change 67 attribution models and multiple open datasets, which enables the factor analysis and impact analysis of consumption 68 changes across these sectors.

69 For the heating sector, we differentiated the consumption changes with the contribution of consumers' behavioral

70 changes and anomalously warm winter temperatures (Abnett, 2023) based on a behavior-climate attribution model

71 utilizing temperature-consumption curves (Zhou et al., 2023) and ERA5-land temperature data (Hersbach et al., n.d.).

72 For the power sector, we assessed whether the consumption reduction in gas-powered electricity generation could be 73 offset by the increments of electricity generation from alternative energy sources. This evaluation was conducted 74 through an explainable-reduction attribution model with day-to-day change comparisons, utilizing both gas 75 consumption and electricity generation data from the Carbon Monitor power dataset (Zhu et al., 2023). For the 76 industrial sector, we assume the consumption reduction due to the substitution of gas heating with electrically powered 77 heat pumps is unlikely to lead to declines in industrial production (The gas situation in Europe remains favorable 78 thanks to contained demand and stable supply, resulting in g..., 2023). SimilarCastellano et al., 2023). Similar day-79 to-day change comparison approach is performed to assess whether the industrial consumption reduction could be 80 explained by the increments of total electricity generation with certain gas-to-electricity conversion efficiency. 81 We provide three datasets, EUGasSC, EUGasNet, and EUGasImpact, which provide daily gas supply, transmission, 82 and consumption dynamics with country- and sector-specific data. Using these datasets, we conducted comprehensive 83 analyses of how EU states adapted to the energy crisis triggered by the invasion. The EUGasSC dataset illustrates how

84 LNG imports replaced Russian pipeline imports and become the primarylargest gas supply source to the EU. With 85 EUGasNet, we found intra-EU gas transmission network shows enhanced "redirection" flows towards the western 86 states, especially to Germany, which faced the most acute gas shortage. According to EUGasImpact, we quantified 87 the contributions of driving factors to the significant net gas consumption reduction during the post-invasion winters, 88 such as heating reduction, energy structure shifting, structural dependency reduction of gas use, and declines in 89 electricity generation and industrial production. We further discussed the economic and climatic consequences of 90 those shifts found from the three datasets, as well as whether those facets would lead to structural transformations in 91 long-term energy security within the EU regions, regarding the uncertainties associated with the global LNG market, 92 the intra-EU transmission "bottleneck" in the EU gas network, potential impact to residential living costs, and the 93 ongoing transition towards greener energy sources.

#### 94 2.Methods

## 95 2.1.Data collection

96 The workflow of this study is shown in Fig 1. On the supply side, we collected the EUGasSC dataset that provides the

97 daily country- and sector-specific gas supply data (Zhou et al., 2023). For the analysis of intra-EU gas transmission,

98 we gathered the daily natural gas transmission (pipeline) and import data (both pipeline and LNG imports) for the

99 EU27&UK from ENTSOG (ENTSOG, 2023), and used EUGasSC for specifying the supply sources.

100 The ERA5-land temperature (Hersbach et al., n.d.) was collected and used to fit the empirical temperature-gas-

101 consumption (TGC) curves to estimate the gas consumption changes in the heating sector (Zhou et al., 2023) (Ciais

- 102 et al., 2022). The country-based daily power generation data with specified energy sources, including gas, coal, oil,
- 103 nuclear, wind, solar, hydro, and other renewables, were collected from the Carbon Monitor power dataset (Zhu et al.,
- 104 2023).
- 105 The Dutch Title Transfer Facility (TTF) natural gas prices from 2019 to 2024 were collected and used as the overall
- 106 natural gas price index in EU27&UK (Dutch TTF Natural Gas Futures, 2023). The household energy price index

- 107 (HEPI) and the gas and electricity prices in the capital cities of EU27&UK were used for the analysis of economic
- 108 impacts on household gas consumption (Household Energy Price Index, 2023).

#### 109 2.2.Periods of analysis

The "winter" in this study refers to the major heating months that are associated with an elevated risk due to the energy shortage. Therefore, "winter" is defined to include the months of –November, December, January, February, and March. These months use gas intensively as a major heating fuel (contributing from 54.3% to 58.8% of annual gas consumption) in the EU countries (Zhou et al., 2023). Accordingly, we define the post-invasion winters as November 2022 to March 2023 for the winter of 2022-2023, and November 2023 to March 2024 for the winter of 2023-2024. For comparative analysis, we refer to the three pre-invasion winters of 2019-2020, 2020-2021, and 2021-2022, using

- 116 the same seasonal timeframe.
- 117 However, our study encompasses an annual perspective for analyzing the net intra-EU gas transmission. The intra-EU
- 118 gas transmission in the non-heating seasons can also be important as they may indicate the variations and
- redistributions of gas storage within the EU -(Zhou et al., 2023). Therefore, the pre-invasion period is defined from
- $120 \qquad 2019-04-01 \text{ to } 2022-03-31 \text{ (three years), and the post-invasion period is defined from 2022-04-01 to 2024-03-31, as}$
- illustrated in Fig 3.

#### 122 2.3.EU gas supply (EUGasSC)

123 For the supply side, we updated our EU natural gas dataset, EUGasSC, extending its coverage until 2024-03-31. The

124 EUGasSC dataset has been described in our previous work (Zhou et al., 2023) and briefly introduced in the

- supplementary. The EUGasSC dataset provides the daily country- and sector-specific gas supply based on a mass flow
- balance simulation model. We then estimated changes in gas supply sources, including Russian imports, LNG imports,
- 127 other pipeline imports, and EU local productions based on the EUGasSC dataset. We observed a supply shortfall, the
- 128 "Russian gas gap", for post-invasion winters due to the inability to boost non-Russian gas supplies to offset the
- 129 reduction in Russian gas supply. However, this gap in gas supply did not necessarily translate into a "shortage". This
- 130 supply-consumption dynamic analysis will be discussed below in section 2.5.
- 131 Note that the gas supply discussed in this paper refers to the original supply source estimated in EUGasSC dataset
- 132 (see method). For example, Germany may receive LNG gas supplies even though there are no LNG terminals in
- 133 Germany before Dec. 2022 (Ukraine war pushes Germany to build LNG terminals, 2022 (Waldholz et al., 2023).

#### 134 2.4.Intra-EU gas transmission (EUGasNet)

135 To understand the changes in the intra-EU gas transmission in response to the energy crisis, we analyzed the net flow

- 136 changes in the gas transmission network between the pre-invasion and post-invasion periods. To perform the net flow
- 137 change analysis, we first constructed the gas transmission network graphs by integrating the physical flows, import
- volumes from ENTSOG, and supply source from EUGasSC for both pre-invasion and post-invasion periods (Fig S7
- b and c). Then we access the the bidirectional flow differences between the annual average transmission values of the

- pre- and post-invasion periods (Fig S7 a). Finally, we computed the net flow changes by accumulating the bidirectional
   flow differences. The detailed equations are presented in the supplementary.
- 142 This net flow change analysis allows us to understand the shifts in significance of both countries (nodes) and their
- 143 interconnections (edges) in the intra-EU gas transmission network, as shown in Fig 3. The nodes are color-coded to
- 144 represent countries experiencing either an increase (in green) or a decrease (in red) in outgoing gas transmission
- relative to the pre-invasion period. The direction and net flow change (edges between countries) are only meaningful
- 146 if analyzed together. For example, a positive edge connected from France to Germany indicates an increased net flow
- 147 from France to Germany relative to the pre-invasion period (Fig S8), and this is equivalent to a negative edge from
- 148 Germany to France. The edge directions in our analysis (Fig 3) are defined based on the flow patterns observed in the
- 149 pre-invasion network. Therefore, the red edges in Fig 3 indicate reversed transmission directions between the two
- 150 countries during the post-invasion periods.

## 151 2.5.Consumption changes (EUGasImpact)

152 The EU27&UK responded to the "Russian gas gap" during the post-invasion winters by diversifying gas supplies,

- 153 conserving usage, and reducing structural gas dependency. To further understand those dynamics and their impacts,
- 154 we developed consumption reduction attribution models for residential heating, power, and industrial sectors (Fig 1).
- 155 EUGasImpact is then constructed based on the output of these reduction attribution models at daily resolution. The
- detailed model equations for all the sectors discussed below are presented in the supplementary.

#### 157 2.5.1.Residential heating sector

158 In the residential heating sector, we assess the impact of heating behavioral changes and climate change based on the 159 behavior-climate attribution model (Fig 1). This approach utilized the empirical Temperature-Gas Consumption 160 (TGC) curves, which illustrate how heating consumption varies with changes in ambient temperature (Zhou et al., 161 2023) (Ciais et al., 2022). We developed the TGC curves for both pre- and post-invasion winters to capture the shifts 162 in residential heating behaviors (Fig S9). Mittakola et al., 2024). We used Temperature-Gas Consumption (TGC) 163 curves instead of Heating Degree Day (HDD) models, which are widely used in energy modeling, because TGC curves 164 not only effectively model gas consumption during winter but also capture shifts in heating behavior between pre- and 165 post-invasion winters. Unlike HDD models, which rely on a fixed base temperature, TGC curves account for changes 166 in heating patterns, reflecting the observed reduction in heating demand at the same ambient temperatures during the 167 energy crisis, as shown in Fig. S9. The gas consumption change due to the behavioral shifts can be estimated by 168 calculating the differences in consumptions at post-invasion temperatures using both pre-invasion and post-invasion 169 TGC curves. Similarly, gas consumption changes due to temperature variations can be estimated by computing the 170 differences in consumption under pre-invasion and post-invasion temperatures using the post-invasion TGC curves.

### 171 2.5.2.Power sector

172 In the power sector, we assess whether the reduction in gas consumption for electricity generation can be offset by 173 alternative sources (if exist), or lead to a net decrease in electricity supply based on the explainable-reduction

- 174 attribution model (Fig 1). We assume that any reduction in gas-powered electricity could be compensated by increased
- 175 electricity generation from coal, oil, nuclear, wind, solar, hydro, and other forms. Conversely, an inability to fill the
- reduction in gas-powered electricity might suggest a potential shortage in the overall electricity supply. <u>To better</u>
- 177 <u>understand the substitution of renewable energy, we analyze Pearson's correlation coefficient (r) between the increase</u>
- in renewable power generation and the reduction in gas-powered electricity, with statistical significance set at p < 100
- 179 0.05. To smooth out weekly variations, we utilized 7-day aggregated data for day-to-day comparisons of all energy
- 180 sources during both the pre- and post-invasion winters.

#### 181 2.5.3.Industrial sector

- In the industrial sector, gas consumption can be differentiated between gas consumption for energy use, such as heating and electricity generation, and non-energy use, like chemical feedstocks or raw materials (Supply, transformation and consumption of gasEurostat, 2023\_b) (Energy Statistics, 2023). Therefore, gasGas consumption reduction resulting from the adoption of heat pumps is unlikely to negatively impact industrial production, however,whereas reductions in non-energy gas use may indicate a decline in industrial output <u>(The gas situation in Europe remains favorable</u> thanks to contained demand and stable supply, resulting in g...,(Castellano et al., 2023) (Preparing for the next winter:
- 188 Europe's gas outlook for 2023, McWilliams et al., 2023).
- Like the power sector, we evaluate the potential impact of reduced gas consumption on industrial production using the explainable-reduction attribution model (Fig 1) and 7-day aggregated comparisons. We assume that any increase in electricity generation is primarily due to heightened heat pump usage in industry, resulting in lower gas consumption for energy use. In the industrial sector, we examined whether the increase in electricity generation could offset the reduction in industrial gas consumption for heating (electricity-to-gas comparison). Since electricity and gas are not
- 194 <u>directly interchangeable, we applied a gas-to-electricity conversion efficiency to estimate the potential replacement</u>
- 195 <u>effect.</u> A decrease in industrial gas consumption is unlikely to negatively affect industrial production if the increase in
- 196 electricity generation (if present) is sufficient to compensate for the reduced gas use, considering a specific gas-to-
- 197 electricity conversion efficiency (Fig S16concept illustrated in Fig S16). Our assumption and analysis might
- 198 overestimate the impact of gas shortages on industrial production (see Uncertainty section below).

## 199 3.Uncertainties and bias

- In the residential heating sector, uncertainties are relatively low as TGC curves can effectively capture the gas consumption based on temperature (Fig S9,  $r^2 = 0.55 \pm 0.21$ ). The estimated consumption changes (*change<sub>behavior,date</sub>* + *change<sub>temperature,date</sub>*) account for 94.0±13.2% of the actual changes (*consumption<sub>pre\_date</sub>* consumption<sub>post\_date</sub>). This low model uncertainty also underpins the precise predictions of gas conservation in our previous study, with only a slight overestimation of 4.6% (Fig 6, right panel).5% (Fig 6, right panel) (Zhou et al., 2023). All values expressed as ± in this paper represent standard deviations (SD). In this study, we report values with
- three significant figures when they are directly calculated from raw data, whereas values derived from modeling
- 207 <u>outputs are rounded to two significant figures to better reflect their associated uncertainties.</u>

208 In the power and industrial sectors, our attribution model assumed constant total power generation volumes and 209 electricity demands during the pre- and post-invasion winters. The differences in total power generation between pre-210 and post-invasion winters were relatively small (-0.4±0.6%) across the EU27&UK. However, our assumption 211 ofassuming unchanged electricity demand could lead to an overestimation of "negative impacts", i.e., power supply 212 shortages or negative effects on industrial production. This simplification overlooks demand variations in response to 213 highdriven by rising electricity prices and energy conservation measures in EU countries (What measures are 214 European countries taking to conserve energy?, across the EU (Askew, 2023) (Averting Crisis, Europe Learns to Live 215 Without Russian EnergyHockenos, 2023). Additionally, This could lead to an overestimation of "negative impacts," 216 as some observed reductions may stem from lower demand rather than actual supply constraints. Another limitation 217 of our approach is that we did not account for the interconnection of cross-border electricity transmission within the 218 EU-power grid, which could help balance differences in electricity have played a role in balancing supply and demand 219 at the countrynational level. As a result, our analysis might depict the "maximum" potential negative impacts of gas 220 reductions on the power and industrial sectors. 221 In the industrial sector, our simplified assumption does not account for the substitution of gas with other fossil fuels 222 as energy source, such as oil or coal, due to the lack of reliable data, even though these fuels were widely used by 223 industries during the energy crisis to avoid disruptions. Additionally, many industrial processes require high 224 temperatures that heat pumps alone cannot provide. As a result, our analysis likely overestimates the impact of the gas 225 crisis on industrial production. However, it serves as a worst-case scenario, providing an upper-bound estimate of 226 potential industrial production losses without considering alternative fossil fuels (e.g., oil or coal) and relying solely

- 227 on electricity, which implies the additional electricity demand required for industrial electrification in the transition to
- 228 greener energy sources.

#### 229 4.Results

### 230 4.1.Overview of gas supply and consumption

During the post-invasion winters, the natural gas supply structure to EU27&UK was profoundly reshaped (Fig 2 and
 Fig S1). The share of EU gas supply from Russia, the previous largest supplier, plummeted from 36.3% to 5.4%,

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creating a shortfall of <u>976.81953.6</u> TWh per wintertogether for the two winters. Despite this dramatic reduction, Russia

- continued to provide a considerable volume of gas (257.3 TWh) to EU27&UK during the post-invasion winters
- through the ongoing transmissions to Slovakia, Lithuania, Poland, and Hungary (Table S1), and the non-winter gas
- storage (12.9 TWh, Fig S4). The supply gap from Russia was filled by 43.5% in the two post-invasion winters,
- primarily through the increased LNG imports (593.3 TWh), and scaling up pipeline throughput from Norway and
- 238 Serbia (176.9 TWh), Libya and Algeria (79.9 TWh). Conversely, gas supplies from Middle Eastern countries (Turkey
- and Azerbaijan) and EU production decreased by 13.2 TWh and 45.4 TWh, respectively, during the post-invasion
- 240 winters. The remaining Russian gas supply gap, combined with the other supply drops, led to a substantial reduction
- in gas consumption during the post-invasion winters, amounting to <u>5811162</u>.0 TWh-per winter.

- We observed a uniform decrease in gas consumption (25.5±16.0%)%, SD for countries) across all EU countries
- regardless of their varying levels of reliance on Russian gas for the two post-invasion winters. In Western EU countries
- 244 (Fig 6 and Fig S3), where the gas supply sources remained robust, consumption reductions surpassed the decline in

the Russian gas supply. This suggests that demand-side factors, such as higher gas prices or a shift away from structural

246 dependence on gas (Europe's energy crisis: What factors drove the record fall in natural gas demand in

247 <u>2022?, Zeniewski et al.</u>, 2023), were likely the primary drivers behind these reductions. In contrast, in other EU

countries (Fig 6 and Fig S3), the gaps in Russian gas supply were greater than the reductions in consumption,

- 249 indicating that supply-side constraints, such as the lack of sufficient alternative gas sources to compensate for the
- 250 reduced Russian supplies, played a more significant role in their consumption reductions.

## 251 4.2.Changes in intra-EU gas transmission

252 Following the Russian invasion of Ukraine, significant changes occurred in intra-EU gas transmissions (Fig 3 and Fig 253 S7). Gas transmissionsDuring the pre-invasion period, the dominant gas transmission direction was from East-Central 254 and Eastern to Europe toward Western EU countries dominated intra European gas networks during the pre-invasion 255 periodsEurope. However, these flows experienced sharp declines in both cross-border flows (red lines in the network, 256 Fig 3) and total country outflow (red circles in the network, Fig 3), primarily due to a substantial reduction of Russian 257 gas exports to the EU (-2427.5 TWh per year annually). In response, gas transmission in the opposite reverse direction, 258 from Western to Eastern EU countries (green lines and circles in the network, Fig 3), increased as a compensatory 259 measure to the, compensating for reduced Russian supply-for example, gas flows from Spain-France to Germany 260 (Fig. 3, green lines and circles). Our flow change analysis (Fig 3, S1, S7, and S8) was conducted over a one-year 261 duration to fully account for the transient seasonal flows related to storage changes (see methods).

- 262 Two critical pathways showing reduced net Russian gas transmission are evident in the network (Fig 3, marked in 263 red): 1) from Russia, Slovakia, and Austria, to Italy, and 2) from Russia, Poland, to Germany. Notably, a larger 264 negative net flow from Poland to Germany (-520 TWh per year) compared to Russia to Poland (-373 TWh per year) 265 appears counterintuitive. The reason for this is the shift in the initial net flow direction: prior to the invasion, gas 266 flowed from Poland to Germany; but during the post-invasion period, Germany reversed the flow, sending back part 267 of its gas imports from Western countries to Poland (Fig S8). To compensate for the reduced Russian supply at the 268 EU scale, the major LNG importing countries, including Spain, the UK, Portugal, the Netherlands, France, and 269 Belgium-Luxembourg, significantly increased their LNG transmission over consumption ratio from 0.36 to 1.08 270 (Table S2), indicating that a greater portion of the LNG imported by these countries was redirected to others with
- 271 larger gas deficits.

## 272 4.3.Consumption reductions and attributions

273 The sectoral gas consumption reductions per winter are ranked in decreasing order as follows: residential sector (208.5

274 TWh, accounting for 14.1% of the sector) > industrial sector (153.3 TWh, 27.5% of the sector) > power sector (108.6

275 TWh, 19.5% of the sector). However, these reductions in consumption do not necessarily equate to gas shortages in

EU countries, as various responses can either reduce the gas demand or structural gas dependency (Conscious

- 277 uncoupling: Europeans' Russian gas challenge in 2023, 2023)(The gas situation in Europe remains favorable thanks
- to contained demand and stable supply, resulting in g..., 2023)(Baseline European Union gas demand and supply in
- 279 2023 How to Avoid Gas Shortages in the European Union in 2023 Analysis, 2023). Kardaś, 2023) (Castellano et

al., 2023) (IEA, 2023, a). Based on our reduction attribution models (Fig 4 to 5), we attributed the gas consumption

- reductions to the following factors: 1) behavioral/structural change (43.744%), which includes decreased household
- heating consumption (28.529%), increased electricity supply from alternative energy sources (coal, nuclear, wind,
- solar, and hydro, 11.0%), and the adoption of heat pumps in the industry (4.2%), 2) gas shortage (33.934%), including
- declines in electricity generation (9.4%) and industrial production (24.525%), and 3) other factors (22.4%), such as
- reduced heating demand due to warmer temperatures ( $\frac{10.611\%}{10.611\%}$ ), and changes in unmodeled consumptions (11.8%).

#### 286 4.3.1.Residential heating sector

287 We first examined the consumption reduction in the residential heating sector as gas is mainly used for heating 288 (46.2±18.0% of total consumption for the post-invasion periods). Our findings reveal that, in the post-invasion winters, 289 the majority of EU27&UK countries reduced their consumption in both household and public heating, ranging from -290 0.5% to -59.3% compared with pre-invasion winters with exceptions in Poland and Finland with increased 291 consumptions. Italy experienced the largest absolute consumption reduction in the heating sector (35.6 TWh, 292 accounting for 16.7% of its consumption), followed by Germany (35.3 TWh, -13.6%), the UK (30.4 TWh, -11.2%), 293 France (28.7 TWh, -16.7%), and Hungary (26.8 TWh, -27.6%). Although warmer countries could have larger 294 reduction potentials in the residential sector, we did not find a significant correlation between heating consumption 295 reduction and mean winter temperature (p=0.24, Fig S10).

296 Conversely, we discovered that reductions in gas consumption within the residential heating sector were positively 297 correlated with temperature anomalies (Pearson's r= 0.49, p<0.05, Fig 4a). To explore the impact of warmer 298 temperature anomalies, the average day-to-day temperature difference between pre- and post-invasion winters, we 299 developed a behavior-climate attribution model using TGC curves that attribute consumption reductions to either 300 behavioral changes or temperature variations (see method). We found lower heating consumptions for the same 301 temperature (flatter slope of TGC diagrams) and a lower heating inception temperature (smaller intercepts of TGC 302 diagrams) during the post-invasion winters. The consumption changes in the residential sector were primarily 303 attributed to behavioral change (72.973%, Fig 4a), even though warmer post-invasion winter conditions (temperature 304 comparison see Table S5) have been extensively reported to mitigate the impact of gas supply reductions in the EU 305 (A Test Of Endurance: Europe Faces A Chilling Couple Of Years, But Russia Stands To Lose The Energy 306 Showdown, Prince et al., 2023) (Preparing for the next winter: Europe's gas outlook for 2023, McWilliams et al., 2023). 307 Those significant behavioral saving changes can be the potential response to intentional reductions due to high energy 308 prices, government campaigns, or structural shifts away from fossil gas use for heating with heating pumps (Preparing

- 309 for the next winter: Europe's gas outlook for 2023, 2023) (Denmark launches energy saving campaign; European gas
- 310 supply "under pressure," <u>McWilliams et al., 2023) (Elliott,</u> 2023).

## 311 4.3.2.Power sector

- 312 During the post-invasion winters, all EU27&UK countries decreased their reliance on gas-powered electricity, with
- 313 reductions ranging from 15.9% to 66.5% compared to pre-invasion levels. To explore whether these reductions might
- 314 lead to an energy shortage (net power generation decline), we compared the mix of electricity generation sources for
- 315 the pre- and post-invasion periods based on an explainable-reduction attribution model, which assesses whether the
- 316 decrease in gas-powered electricity generation could be replaced by other energy sources (see method).
- 317 Our analysis reveals that, on average, 35.0±22.9% of the days during the post-invasion winters in the EU27&UK
- 318 experienced a net reduction in electricity generation due to decreased gas consumption in the power sector. These
- 319 reductions accounted for 57.0% of the total electricity generation decline during the post-invasion winters (35.2 TWh
- 320 per winter). In particular, Italy experienced the largest and longest duration of electricity generation drop caused by
- 321 gas reductions (-7.5 TWh and 77.2% of winter days), followed by the UK(-3.8 TWh and 58.9%), and the Netherlands
- 322 (-1.7 TWh and 58.3%), as depicted in Fig 4b.
- 323 Following the energy structural change in the power generation between the pre-invasion and post-invasion periods 324 (Fig S12 and S13), we estimate that  $\frac{79.6\pm47.780\pm48}{9}$ % of the gas reduction in the power sector was compensated by
- 325 alternative power sources (Fig 4b). Among these substitutes, renewables including wind, solar, and hydropower, 326 contributed the majority of that substitution at  $80.0\% \pm 22.0\%$ , and their increases were always strongly correlated with
- 327
- the deficits of gas-powered electricity (Pearson's r = -0.79, p < 0.05, Fig 4b and S15). Countries with the highest share
- 328 of renewable-power substitution included Spain (9.2 TWh), followed by the Netherlands (7.2 TWh) and France (6.6
- 329 TWh). Substitution by oil and coal, contributed only  $10-2\pm13-3\%$ , while nuclear power contributed only a small
- 330 proportion of 4.5% (Fig 4b) because French reactors had an extremely low availability.
- 331 While cross-border electricity imports could theoretically mitigate some gas-related electricity shortages, their role
- 332 was limited during the crisis due to widespread power generation deficits across most EU countries (Fig S14).
- 333 However, Spain played a crucial role by significantly increasing renewable electricity generation in the first winter
- 334 and reducing its gas consumption in the second winter, allowing it to support regional energy stability through both
- 335 electricity exports and LNG redistribution (Fig 3).
- 336 Compared to our initial predictions about how the shortfall in Russian gas would be addressed (Fig 6, right panel), the
- 337 power sector exhibited the largest discrepancy. We had largely overestimated European gas-substitution capacity in
- 338 power generation as we did not anticipate the shortfall of nuclear and hydropower in France (Fig S14) (List of outages
- 339 and messages, 2023) (The gas situation in Europe remains favorable thanks to contained demand and stable supply,
- 340 resulting in g..., EDF France, 2023) (Castellano et al., 2023).

#### 341 4.3.3.Industrial sector

- 342 We lastly looked at adjustments to industrial production, a sector particularly sensitive to supply-side energy shocks
- 343 or high gas prices. All EU27&UK countries reduced their industrial gas consumption during the post-invasion winters
- 344 by an average of  $26.3 \pm 14.6\%$ . Germany saw the largest reduction per winter (41.0 TWh), contributing 25.1% of the
- 345 total reduction across EU27&UK, followed by Spain (31.6 TWh), France (14.2 TWh), and Italy (12.3 TWh).

346 The reduction in industrial gas consumption, both for energy and raw material uses, can lead to a decline in industrial 347 output (Supply, transformation and consumption of gas, 2023)(Eurostat, 2023 b) (Energy Statistics, 2023). However, 348 the industrial gas consumption reduction in energy use can also be associated with a structural adjustment to heating 349 techniques, such as the adoption of heat pumps -(see method and Fig S16), which were not expected to negatively 350 impact industrial production (Preparing for the next winter: Europe's gas outlook for McWilliams et al., 2023, 351 2023)(The gas situation in Europe remains favorable thanks to contained demand and stable supply, resulting in g...,) 352 (Castellano et al., 2023). 353 Using a gas-electricity conversion efficiency of 0.7, our reduction attribution model indicates that on  $\frac{69.570}{100}$ % of the 354 post-invasion winter days (Fig 5a and b), the reductions in industrial gas consumption cannot be explained by the 355 increases in total electricity generation, suggesting that decreased industrial production were likely caused by gas 356 consumption reductions. Consequently, our results show that across thewas7 the EU27&UK, 5.7±9.3 TWh of the total 357 industrial gas reduction  $(76.3\pm26.9\pm27\%)$  might translated into a lower industrial production (Fig 5c). 358 Although the actual impact on the industrial sector might be overestimated due to our assumption of no fuel-switching 359 to fossil fuels, our upper-bound analysis highlights the significant industrial impact for EU countries, which in turn

360 implies the substantial electricity demand required if the EU transitions toward industrial electrification to replace

361 natural gas and other fossil fuels. While industrial heat pumps provide viable pathways for reducing reliance on fossil

362 fuels, the large electricity demand suggested by our study would necessitate a significant expansion of clean electricity

363 generation and grid capacity to further ensure the energy security in EU. The feasibility of this transition depends on

364 the EU's ability to scale up renewable energy sources while reinforcing grid infrastructure to support increased

365 industrial electricity consumption.

#### 366 5.Discussion

#### 367 5.1.LNG is a structural alternative to Russian gas

368 During the post-invasion winters, the most notable development was the significant increase in LNG imports into the 369 EU27&UK, which surged from 20.7 % to 37.5% of the total gas supply. EU countries are actively expanding their 370 LNG import capacities by an additional 13% of the current capacity in the near term (Table S3), positioning LNG as 371 a structural alternative to Russian pipeline gas. However, the reliability of global LNG supply to EU27&UK remains 372 uncertain. In 2022, the major global LNG supply increment came from the U.S., accounting for 142 TWh (Global 373 liquefied natural gas trade volumes set a new record in 2022, 2023) (Australia exports record LNG in 2022: 374 EnergyQuest, 2023), which was still insufficient to meet Europe's increased winter LNG demands. Our previous 375 forecasts (Fig 6, right panel) underestimated the importance of additional LNG supply in mitigating the gas crisis 376 because we assumed constant global LNG demand. Europe therefore may have benefited from substantial reductions 377 in Chinese LNG demand in 2022 (202 TWh) due to zero COVID-19 measures and renewed energy production from 378 coal (How the European Union can avoid natural gas shortages in 2023, 2023) (China's natural gas consumption and 379 LNG imports declined in 2022, amid zero COVID policies, 2023) (China fuels economic recovery with higher coal

- imports, not LNG, in Q1,IEA, 2023,b) (US EIA, 2023) (Chatterjee et al., 2023). In addition, despite the geopolitical
   tensions, a substantial volume of LNG imports continued from Russia (Pécout, 2023).
- 382 Continuing and long-term reliance on LNG imports may pose considerable economic and climate risks for Europe.
- 383 The cost of gas supplied via LNG is notably higher when compared to pipeline gas, primarily due to the increased
- B84 expenses associated with transportation, liquefaction, and regasification (LNG vs. Pipeline Economics [Gaille Energy]
- Blog Issue 66], 2023). Shah, 2023). These costs can translate into elevated end-user gas prices, as reflected in the
- doubling of household gas and energy costs (Fig S6). Furthermore, LNG tankers have higher transportation-
- 387 related Despite the large GHG emissions compared to pipelines. Our associated with LNG liquefaction, our estimations
- suggest that, solely during transportation, LNG tankers might produce 2.4 times the amount of CO2-\_equivalent
   emissionemissions compared to pipelines when transporting supplying the same amount of gas via pipeline when
- 390 considering, even after accounting for a potential leakage rate of 1.4% from Russian pipeline transportation at 1.4%
- (see supplementary materials) (Lelieveld et al., 2005) (Abrahams et al., 2015).
- **392** Dutch TTF (Title Transfer Facility) natural gas prices (Fig S5) exhibited a sharp rise in the winter of 2022-2023 in
- 393 response to the profound supply pattern changes following the Russian invasion of Ukraine, peaked at three times
- 394 compared to the pre-invasion levels. Nevertheless, the TTF price has since returned to pre-invasion levels for the
- 395 second post-invasion winter (winter of 2023-2024), suggesting a potential alleviation of the gas crisis through existing
- 396 gas supply-consumption dynamics.

#### 397 5.2. Norway and Northern Africa are stabilizers of gas supply

- The increase in gas supply from Norway and North Africa to Europe during the post-invasion winters was much smaller than the LNG increment, contributing only 28.9% of the total LNG increase. However, their contributions were crucial as "stabilizers" in balancing the gas supply shortages within the EU27&UK by redirecting their exports to those countries that experienced larger reductions in Russian supply and had infrastructural constraints in accessing extra LNG supply. For instance, Norway redirected its gas exports from France and the Netherlands to Germany, while North African exporters redirected their gas exports from Spain to Italy, as shown in Fig 3. Notably, in Germany,
- 404 the share of Norwegian gas in the total supply jumped from 33.5% to 60.4%, effectively replacing Russian gas as the
- To the share of the western gas in the total suppry jumped from 55.5% to 60.1%, encervery replacing Russian gas as the
- 405 primary source. Similarly, Italy increased its reliance on North African gas from 22.7% to 44.1% of its total supply.

#### 406 5.3.Germany has reshaped the intra-EU gas transmission

- To address the gas shortage in Germany, significant adjustments of the intra-EU gas transmission network were observed, involving a net reversal of the historical East-to-West flow direction (Fig 3). Substantial increments of intracountry transmissions were seen from countries that are equipped with large, preexisting terminals, e.g. Belgium and the Netherlands, to Germany (Fig 3). New transmission pathways developed to service Germany, indicating close cooperation among European member states, as shown in Fig 3: 1) transmissions from France to Germany came online in October 2022 (210 TWh) (Zhou et al., 2023) by resolving the different gas odorization systems between the two countries, 2) Denmark and Sweden reduced their reliance on Germany transmission by directly importing gas from
- 414 Norway. and 3) Germany began its own direct LNG imports in December 2022 (14 TWh) via the newly developed

- 415 LNG terminals (Ukraine war pushes Germany to build LNG terminals, 2023). Waldholz et al., 2023). The resolution
- 416 of gas odorization differences enabled direct France to Germany gas transmission, overcoming a longstanding
- 417 <u>technical barrier (Zhou et al., 2023), though a significant bypass route through France-Belgium to Germany remains</u>
- 418 <u>visible in Fig. 3, highlighting ongoing efforts toward full network integration</u>. While the changes in the gas
- transmission network may not be permanent—pending the establishment of German LNG terminals or a reduction in
- 420 its structural dependency on gas—the overall shift in intra-EU gas transmission from Eastern to Western Europe,
- 421 previously dominated by Russian supplies, has been structurally reversed.

#### 422 5.4.Behavioral heating reduction is economic-sensitive

- 423 In residential heating, consumption reductions were primarily driven by behavioral changes as previously discussed.
- 424 The declines in isothermic gas heating consumption during the post-invasion winters (flatter slopes of TGC in Fig S9)
- 425 can be associated with the concurrent, rapid surge in heat pump sales within the EU and their increasing adoption in
- household heating <u>-((European Heat Pumps in Europe Key Facts and FiguresPump Association</u>, 2023). The heat
- 427 pumps, despite their superior heating efficiency, may not necessarily lead to lower overall residential heating costs.
- 428 This is partly due to higher electricity prices caused by increased demand from both residential and industrial sectors
- 429 using heat pumps (Fig S6 a), which can offset the cost benefits of transitioning from gas heaters. Additionally, lower
- 430 start heating temperatures (Fig S9) were observed, <u>corresponding to the base temperature in HDDs model, which</u>
- 431 indicating the reduced comfort levels for heating inception and were likely driven by rising gas and energy prices (Fig
- 432 S6). Therefore, further shifts away from gas to heat pumps in residential heating are economically sensitive and depend
- 433 on the dynamics between gas and electricity supply and pricing.

#### 434 5.5. Structural independent from gas-powered electricity

- The substantial growth of renewables was found in the post-invasion winters and it dominated the substitution of gaspowered electricity (Fig 4b). In the initial post-invasion period, fossil fuel substitution remained significant, particularly in Germany and Italy (Fig S14 a), accounting for 48.1% of the substitution in these two countries. However, by the second post-invasion winter (winter 2023-2024), renewable energy took the lead across all EU27&UK countries, with renewables accounting for an increased substitution rate of 114.2%, suggesting the structural shifting from gas-powered electricity has been successfully developing in EU27&UK.
- On the other hand, the contribution of nuclear energy to this substitution was considerably lower than expected due to
   the maintenance of the French nuclear reactor fleet and Germany's phase-out of nuclear power (Fig S14). Nevertheless,
- 443 nuclear energy might regain strategic importance in offsetting gas-fueled power generation in the future, particularly
- as some French reactors come back online and the demand for electricity increases due to widespread heat pumpinstallations.
- 446 The expansion of electricity production through alternative energy sources, such as green electricity and nuclear 447 power, offers a dual benefit. It not only substitutes for gas-fueled power generation but also supports gas reduction in 448 the residential heating and industrial sectors through the adoption of heat pumps. Achieving full structural

- 449 independence from gas still presents challenges in the near term due to existing electricity infrastructure constraints,
- 450 transitioning toward green electricity, and nuclear power maintenance issues.

#### 451 **5.6.**Pathway to EU Energy Security

452 Our analysis of the structural and temporary shifts in European gas and energy supply and consumption patterns during 453 the post-invasion winters underscores the region's institutional and infrastructural resilience to this energy crisis. We 454 found that energy security has been and will continue to be enhanced by: 1) increasing LNG imports to diversify gas 455 supply sources, 2) strengthening both international and intra-EU cooperation, and 3) systematically reducing gas 456 dependency by decreasing residential gas heating and expanding the use of renewable and nuclear power.

- 457 While addressing existing challenges on the pathway to the EU energy security, such as the dynamics of the global
- 459 that require further attention (Four challenges of the energy crisis for the EU's strategic autonomyEuropean

LNG market, EU gas infrastructure capacities, and the potential impact on climate change, we also identify key areas

- 460 Parliament, 2023): 1) Systematic substitution of heat fuel from gas to electricity will require systematic increases in
- 461 power supply and generation capacity; 2) In turn, rising electrical demand will need to be met with expansions in
- 462 power generation, preferably through renewable energy sources; 3) Effective energy redistribution, including both gas
- 463 and electricity, among EU countries will call for a unified strategy that includes greater integration and enhancement
- 464 of both physical and institutional infrastructures.

#### 465 6.Data availability

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466 We updated one dataset (EUGasSC) and published two new datasets (EUGasNet and EUGasImpact) as CSV files, 467 and they are hosted on the Zenodo platform: <u>https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.11175364</u> (Zhou et al., 2024). The 468 EUGasSC and EUGasNet datasets are available from 2016, while the EUGasImpact dataset is available only for the 469 two post-invasion winters. The datasets are open-access and are licensed under a Creative Commons Attribution 4.0 470 International license. The column headings of the data dictionary files as well as the unit of each variable are listed in 471 Table S4.

472 Our datasets provide daily updates on gas supply, storage, transmission, and consumption, providing sectoral and 473 country-specific data on the European gas landscape. Our datasets also capture the pattern changes after the Russian 474 invasion of Ukraine, as well as the driving factors of those changes. These datasets can serve as either input or 475 reference datasets for further research across various fields, including gas/energy modeling, carbon emission studies, 476 climate change impacts, geopolitical policy discussions, and international gas/energy market analysis. By offering 477 multidimensional insights, our data facilitate a comprehensive understanding of the dynamics within the EU gas 478 landscape and contribute to outlining pathways toward EU energy security. Chuanlong Zhou, who collected the data 479 and performed the analysis, and Philippe Ciais, who is an expert on the background of this study, are at the disposal 480 of researchers wishing to reuse the datasets.

#### 481 7.Conclusions

We updated one dataset (EUGasSC) and introduced two new datasets (EUGasNet and EUGasImpact) for the EU27 and UK at daily resolutions: (1) the EUGasSC dataset, describing the sectoral and country-based daily natural gas supply, storage, and consumption, (2) the EUGasNet dataset, describing the intra-EU gas transmission with specified supply source data, and 3) the EUGasImpact, describing the sector-specific gas consumption changes between the pre- and post- invasion winters, combining with the contributions of driving factors. Together, these datasets offer multidimensional insights into the dynamics within the EU gas landscape, and can be valuable to future research on various fields and topics, such as energy modeling, carbon emission analysis, climate change research, and policy

discussions.

490 Using these datasets, we analyzed the pattern changes of the EU gas landscape between the pre- and post-invasion

491 winters. We show how the EU27&UK adapted their gas supply, transmission, and consumption patterns in response

492 to the gas crisis. We quantified the contribution of driving factors in the residential heating, power, and industrial

493 sectors. Our findings indicate significant changes and growing structural independence from gas during the post-

invasion winters: 1) total gas consumption decreased by 19.0% due to the sudden loss of Russian gas, 2) LNG emerged

as the largest gas supply source, accounting for 37.5% of the total gas supply, 3) Intra-EU gas transmission adjustments

496 focused primarily on addressing the significant shortfall in Germany, 4) behavioral changes in household heating

individually contributed most to consumption reduction (28.529%), 5) renewable electricity dominated the substituted

498 gas-powered electricity (92.793%), and 6) relatively large consumption reductions can be associated with declines in

499 industrial production and power shortage  $(\frac{33.934}{3.934}\%)$ .

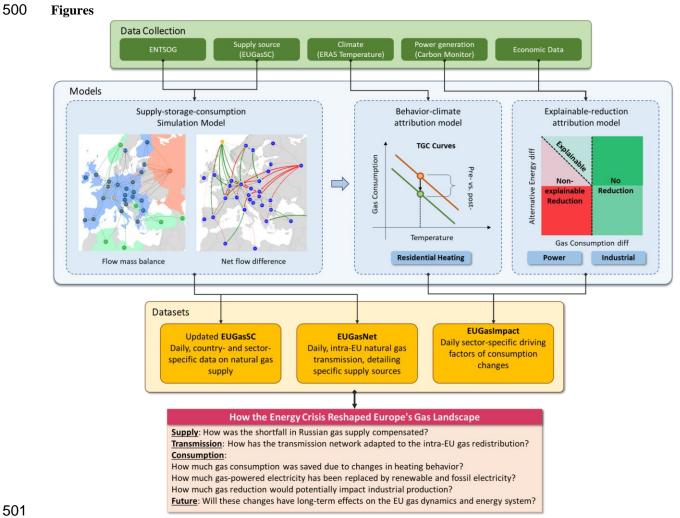


Fig 1. Study workflow and conceptual framework of this study. The workflow of this study includes input datasets,
 supply-storage-consumption model, sector-specific consumption change attribution models, and three daily output
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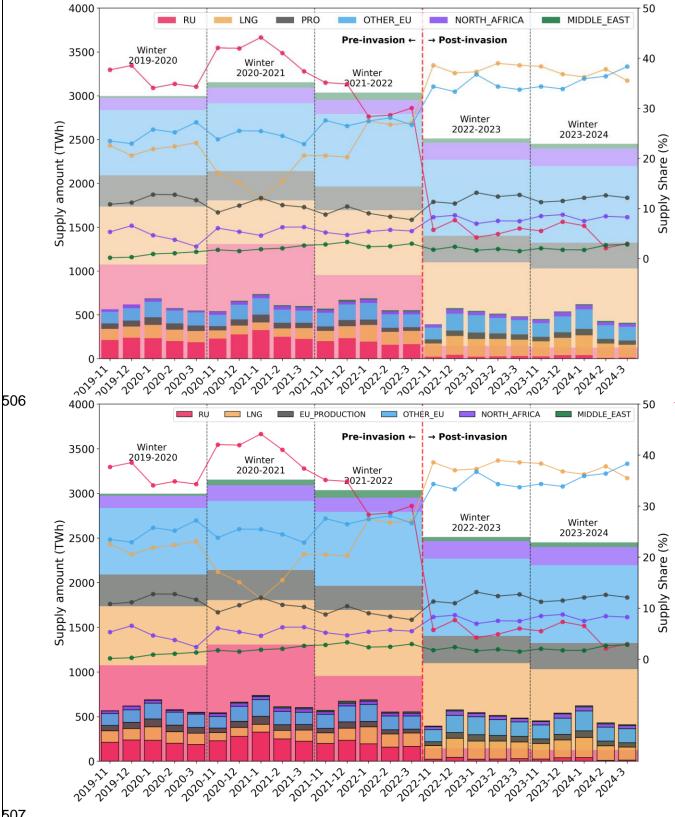


Fig 2. Winter gas supply in EU27&UK from 2019 to 2024. This figure displays monthly and winter-aggregated gas supply amounts (narrow and wide bars, respectively) and their shares (line graphs) from 2019 to 2024. The gas supply

- 510 sources are differentiated by color, including pipeline imports from Russia (RU), Norway+Serbia (OTHER\_EU),
- 511 Libya+Algeria (NORTH\_AFRICA), and Turkey+Azerbaijan(MIDDLE\_EAST), LNG imports (LNG), and EU local
- 512 productions (PROEU\_PRODUCTION).

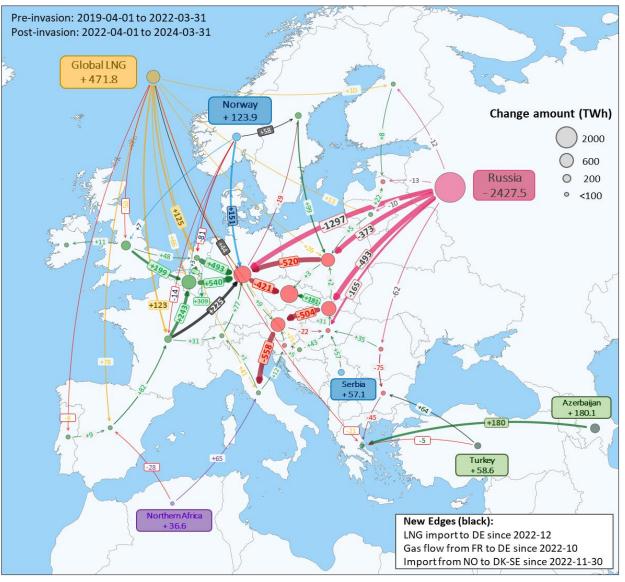
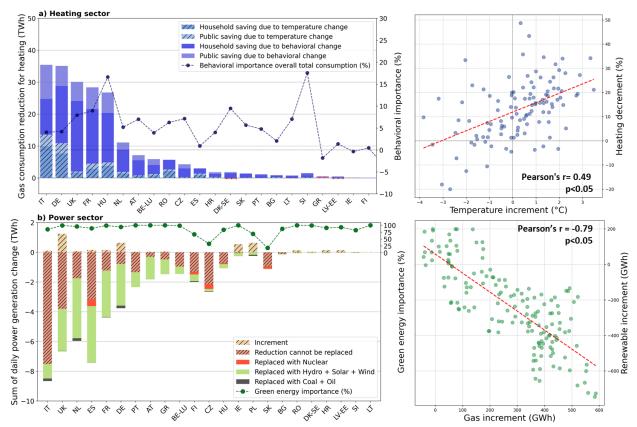
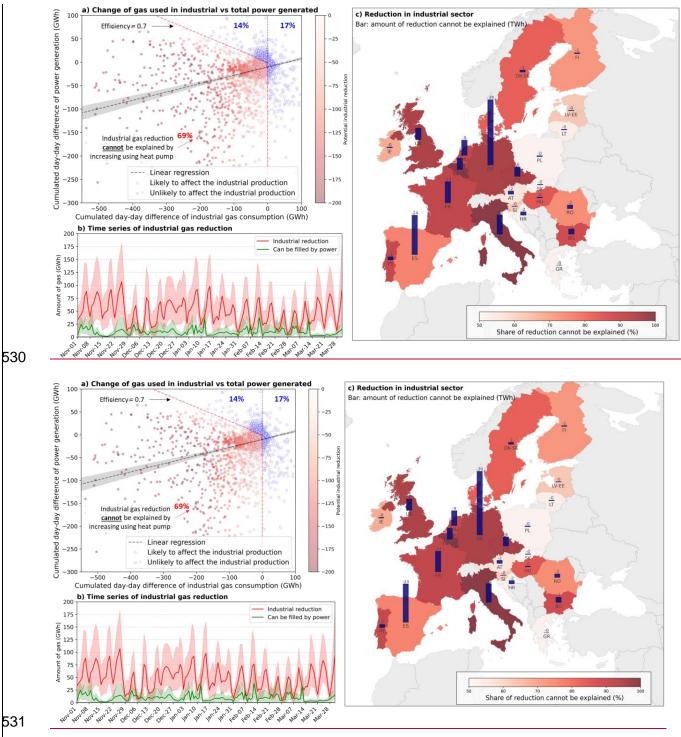


Fig 3. The annual net flow changes in gas imports and intra-EU transmission network between pre-invasion (2019-04-01 to 2022-03-31) and post-invasion periods (2022-04-01 to 2024-03-31). The figure illustrates changes by subtracting annual average pre-invasion values from post-invasion values. Positive values indicate increments in the post-invasion period. Circle sizes represent changes in transmission amounts by country (green for increases, red 518 for decreases). Intra-EU transmissions (edges) are color-coded (green for increase, red for decrease) with imports 519 differentiated by import sources. Note that the flow directions are shown based on the major flow directions in the 520 post-invasion period (detail see methods).

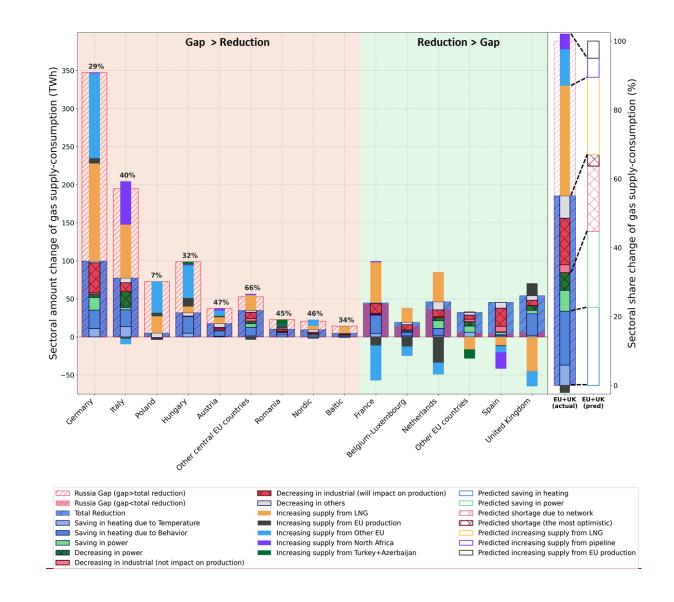


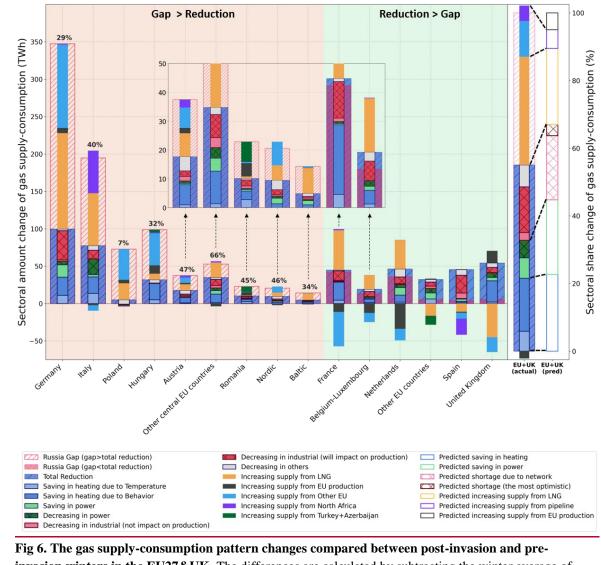
**Fig 4.** Consumption change attributions in the residential heating (top) and power sector (bottom) in EU27&UK. The gas consumption changes in the heating sector is separated into behavioral change (solid color bars) and climatic change (hatched bars). The daily gas-powered electricity generation change is separated into the replaceable reduction (solid color bars), the non-replaceable reduction (red hatched bars), and the increment (yellow hatched bars).beige hatched bars). The green energy importance (%) is the share of green energy in the substituted gas-powered electricity. The correlation between temperature increment and heating consumption reduction is shown in the top-right panel. The correlation between gas-powered electricity increment and renewable power increment is shown in the bottom-right panel.

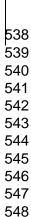


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Fig 5. Analysis of potential impact on industrial productions. In the subplots: a) explainable-reduction attribution 533 model with daily comparisons of gas consumption in industrial and total electricity generation, b) time series of 534 industrial gas reduction and reduction that can be filled with electricity generation, and c) the amount (bar) and 535 proportion (choropleth) of reductions that potentially impact industrial production. The color bands in panel (b) 536 represent the 95% confidence interval (CI) across countries. R2 of the linear regression is 0.38 with a p-value < 0.01.







Decreasing in industrial (not impact on production)
Fig 6. The gas supply-consumption pattern changes compared between post-invasion and pre-invasion winters in the EU27&UK. The differences are calculated by subtracting the winter average of pre-invasion winters from post-invasion winters. Wide bars (left panel) represent total gas consumption reduction (blue hatching) and Russian supply reduction (red hatching). Narrow bars illustrate supply (solid color, no borders) and consumption (solid color, borders) attributions of these reductions. Bars with crosses indicate consumption reductions potentially causing negative impacts in the power or industrial sectors. The top numbers denote the percentage of the gap absorbed within the region. The left panel shows the aggregated values and comparisons between our previous estimations. "Baltic" includes Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania. "Nordic" includes Denmark, Sweden, and Finland. "Other central EU countries" include Slovakia, Slovenia, Czechia, and Croatia. "Other EU countries" include Ireland, Bulgaria, and Portugal.

## 549 Competing interests

- 550 The contact author has declared that none of the authors has any competing interests.
- 551 <u>Appendix</u>

## 552 <u>Table. Descriptions of column headers and units of EUGasNet and EUGasImpact.</u>

Dataset	Header	Description	<u>Unit</u>
EUGasNet	date	Transmission date	DateTime
	fromCountry	Start country key	<u>CountryKey</u>
	toCountry	End country key	<u>CountryKey</u>
	LNG_share	Supply ratio from LNG	<u>0-1</u>
	PRO_share	Supply ratio from EU Production	<u>0-1</u>
	<u>RU_share</u>	Supply ratio from Russian Production	<u>0-1</u>
	AZ share	Supply ratio from Azerbaijan	<u>0-1</u>
	DZ share	Supply ratio from Algeria	<u>0-1</u>
	NO share	Supply ratio from Norway	<u>0-1</u>
	RS share	Supply ratio from Serbia	<u>0-1</u>
	TR share	Supply ratio from Turkey	<u>0-1</u>
	LY share	Supply ratio from Libya	<u>0-1</u>
	TotalFlow	Total transmission ammount	<u>KWh</u>
<u>EUGasImpact</u>	date	date	DateTime
	<u>country</u>	<u>country</u>	<u>CountryKey</u>
	house heating	Consumption of house heating	<u>GWh</u>
	house heating diff total	Consumption difference compared to pre-invasion periods	<u>GWh</u>
	house_heating_diff_T	Consumption differences caused by temperature	GWh
	house heating diff behavior	Consumption differences caused by behavior	<u>GWh</u>
	house_heating_residual	Consumption differences residual	<u>GWh</u>

public_heating	Consumption of public heating	<u>GWh</u>
public heating diff total	Consumption difference compared to pre-invasion periods	<u>GWh</u>
public_heating_diff_T	<u>Consumption differences</u> <u>caused by temperature</u>	<u>GWh</u>
public_heating_diff_behavior	<u>Consumption differences</u> <u>caused by behavior</u>	<u>GWh</u>
public heating residual	Consumption differences residual	<u>GWh</u>
power_generated_with_gas	Power generated with gas	<u>GWh</u>
power_generated_with_gas_diff	Differences in power generated with gas compared to pre- invasion periods	<u>GWh</u>
power dorp filled with fossil	Gas-powered electricity reduction (if exists) replaced by fossil electricity	<u>GWh</u>
power dorp filled with green	Gas-powered electricity reduction (if exists) replaced by green electricity	<u>GWh</u>
power_dorp_filled_with_nuclea <u>r</u>	Gas-powered electricity reduction (if exists) replaced by nuclear electricity	<u>GWh</u>
power dorp can not filled	Gas-powered electricity reduction (if exists) can not be replaced	<u>GWh</u>
industrial	Consumption of industrial	<u>GWh</u>
industrial_diff	Consumption difference compared to pre-invasion periods	<u>GWh</u>
reduced_impact_industrial_prod uction	<u>Consumption reduction (if</u> <u>exists) might reduce industrial</u> <u>production</u>	<u>GWh</u>

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