

Evolutions and Revolutions in the Global Gas and LNG Markets





Outline

1. Price convergence and divergence

- Interaction between regions leads to some convergence
- Whereas regional price differences are widening
- Different pricings coexist within the same markets

2. What have happened in recent years

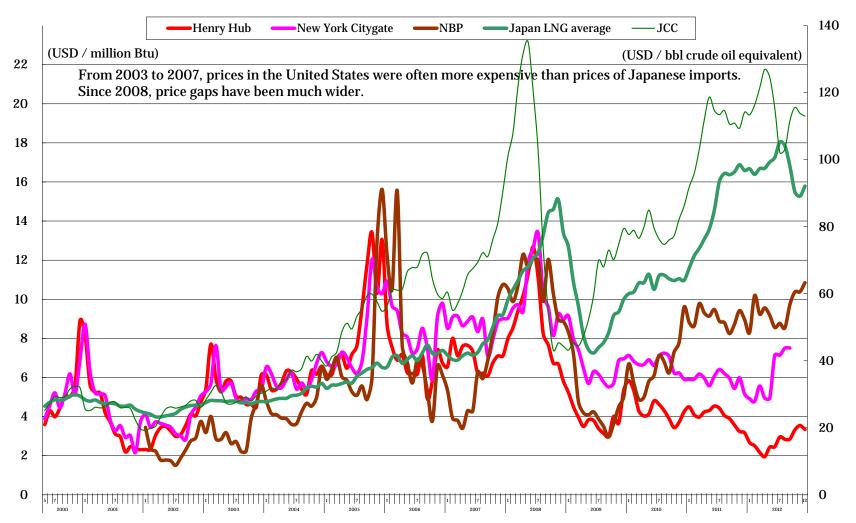
- Shifts in gas and LNG business (Asia and LNG)
- Shift to natural gas and LNG in markets around the world
- Increasing shares of the Asia Pacific markets and Japan

3. Impacts of the revolutions

- Changing world gas powers
- Changing prospects



The biggest problem: widening gaps



(Sources) Compiled by the author, based on data from Japan's custom statistics, Department of Energy (United States), Energy Intelligence



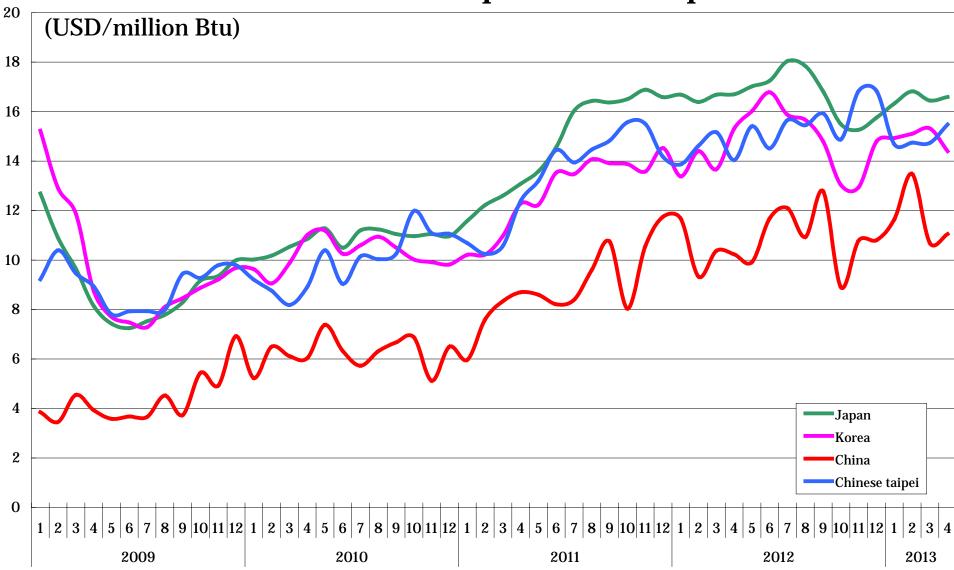


Japanese LNG buyers' dilemma: misinterpreted both in and outside of the country

- Ordinary people in Japan tend to think that "Japan buys the most expensive LNG because it is supplied as LNG and because the utility buyers do not work hard to reduce prices."
- Some external experts describe "Asian buyers are willing to pay higher prices for security of supply" and "Utility companies can easily pass incremental fuel costs onto customers."
- Anti-nuclear and pro-nuclear discussions in Japan tend to dismiss global implications of Japanese policy, including those on global LNG supply/demand and pricing.

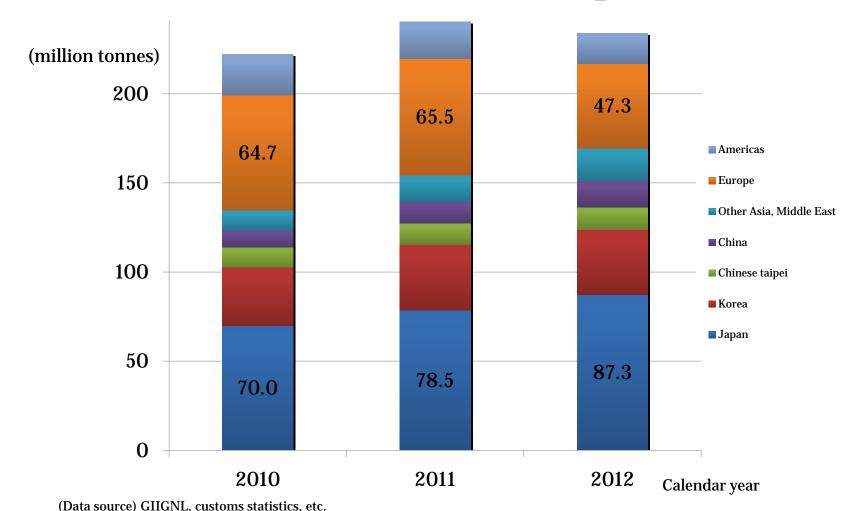
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Asia has the most transparent LNG price data



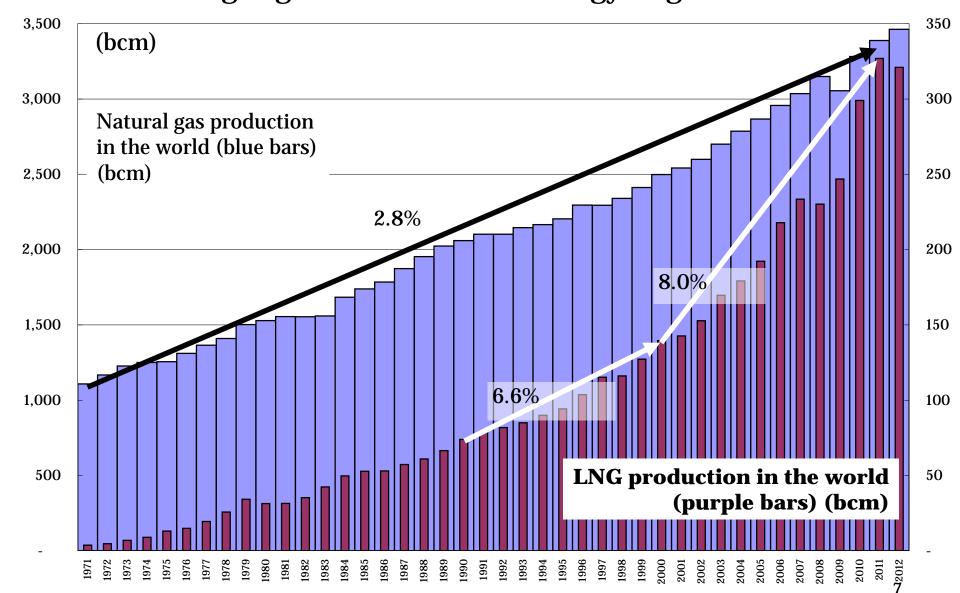
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Global LNG trades declines in 2012, whereas share of Asia (Japan) increases



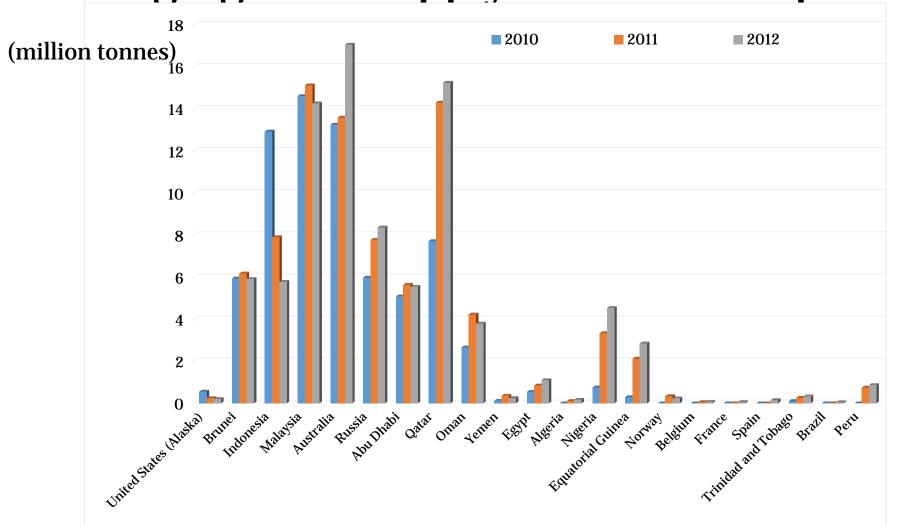
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LNG trades grow faster than natural gas as a whole, natural gas grows faster than energy in general





Changing LNG supply sources to Japan

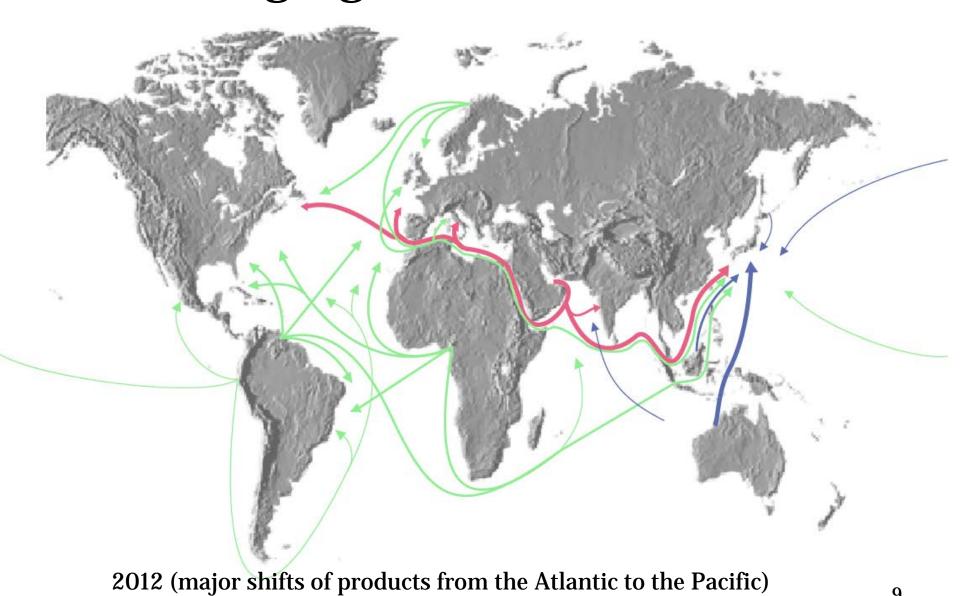


(note) Figures are for fiscal years. (Date source) Japan's customs statistics.





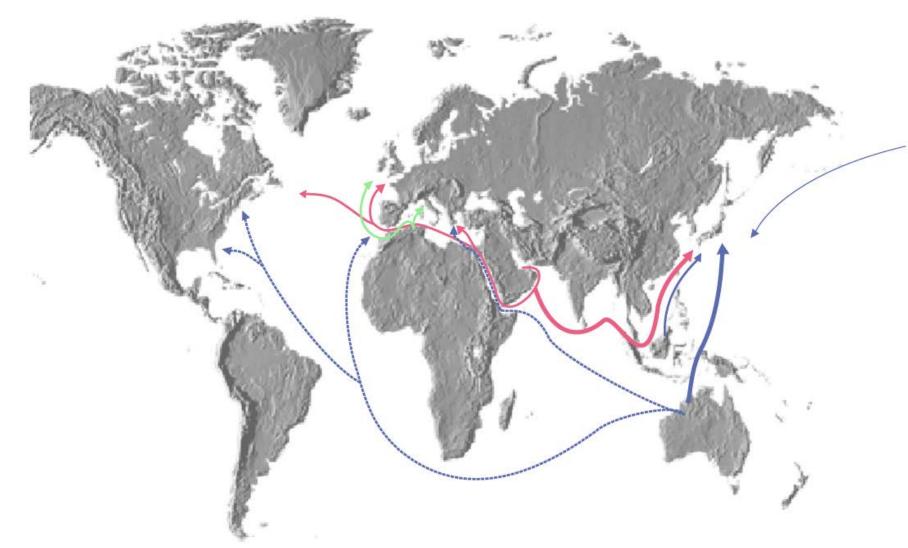
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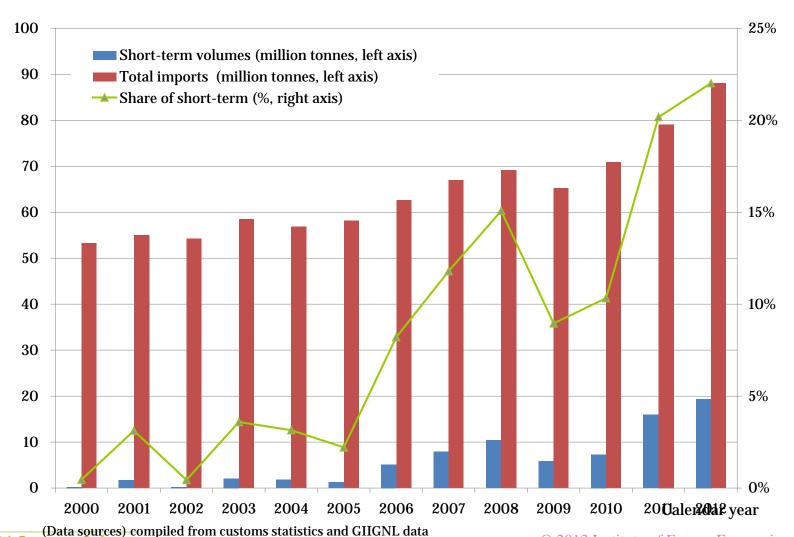
1997 (before major Atlantic sources began exports)





Evolving short-term procurement

Share of short-term volume in the total imports in Japan



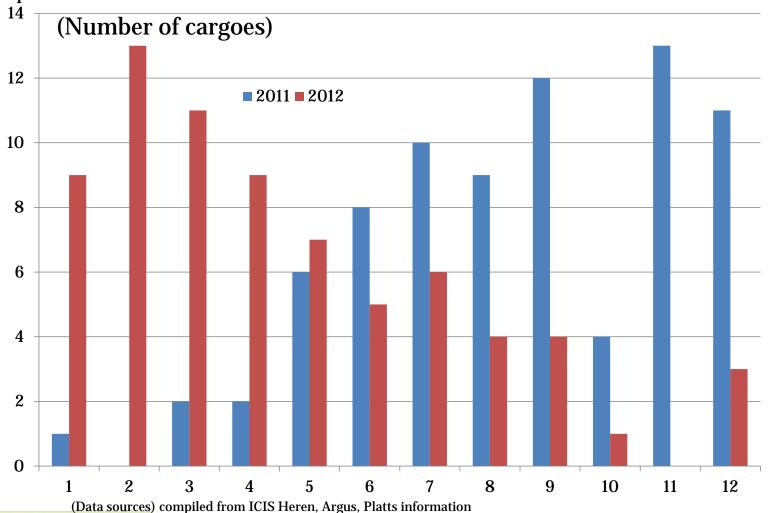
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Japan's monthly spot cargo purchase in 2011-2012

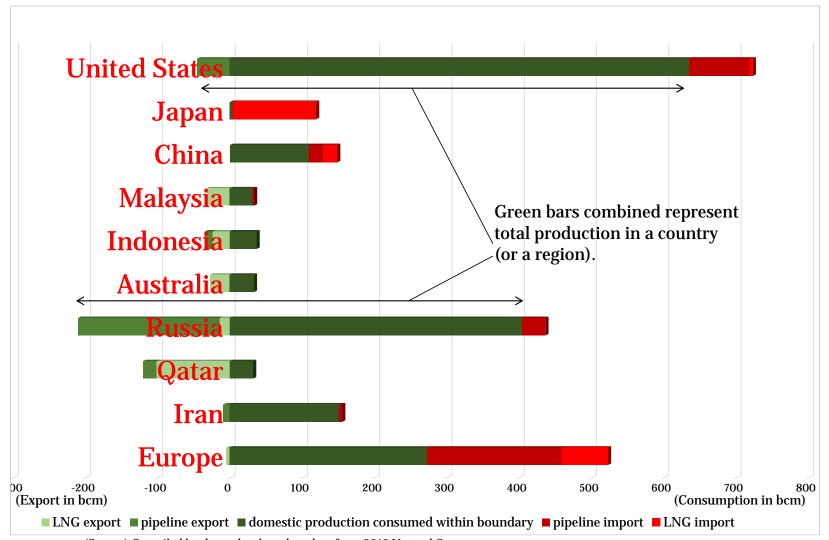
 Trading patterns tend to shift back from spot/short-term to term contracts.



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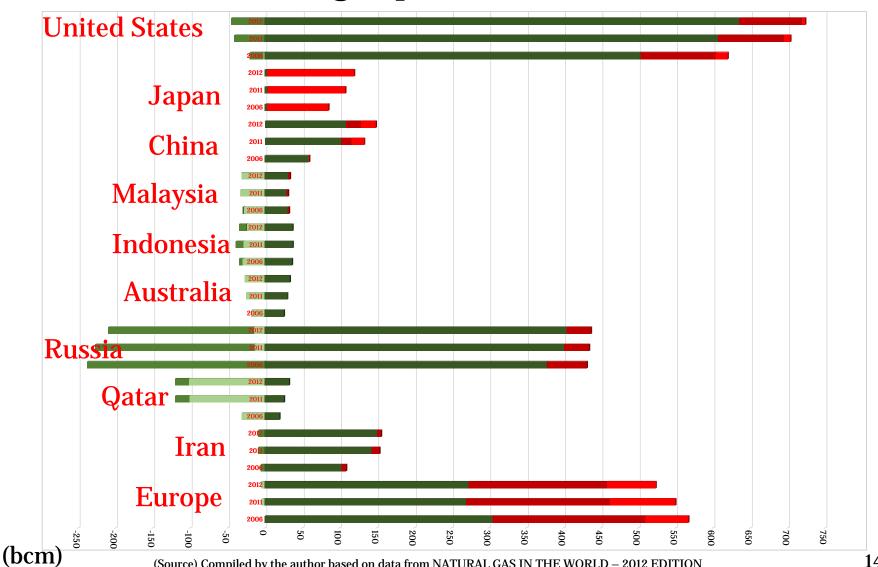
World natural gas powers (2012)



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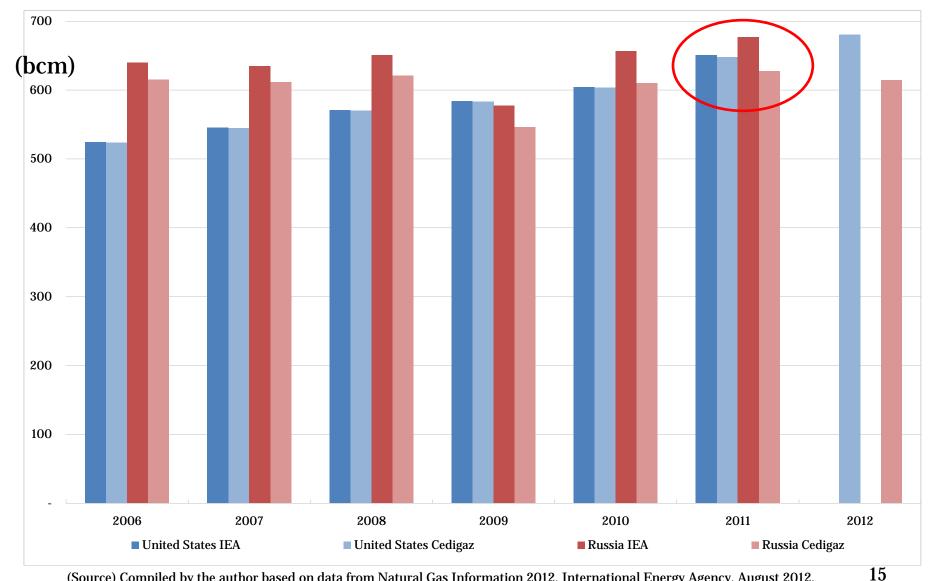
World natural gas powers (2006, 2011, 2012)



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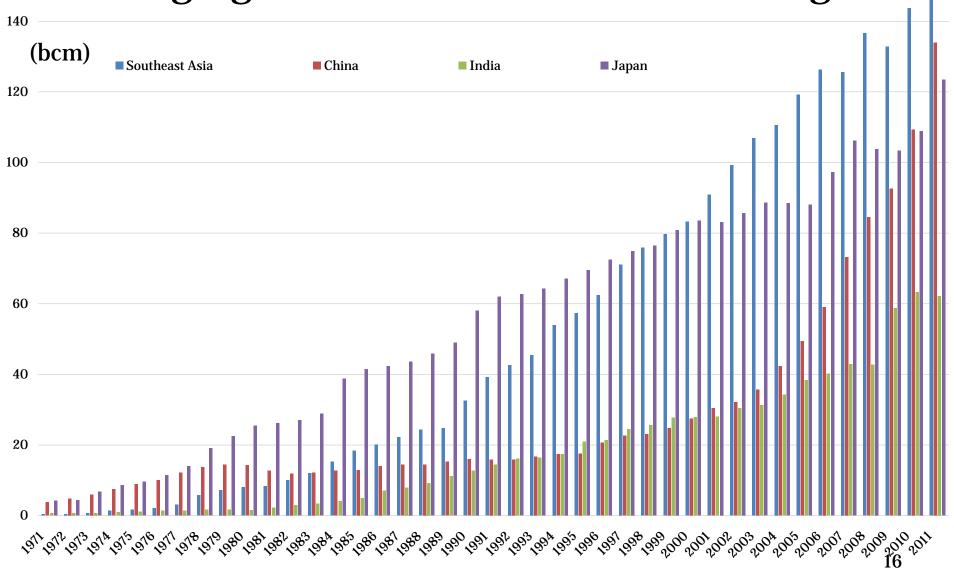
Gas production in the two biggest producers



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Emerging markets in the Asia Pacific region





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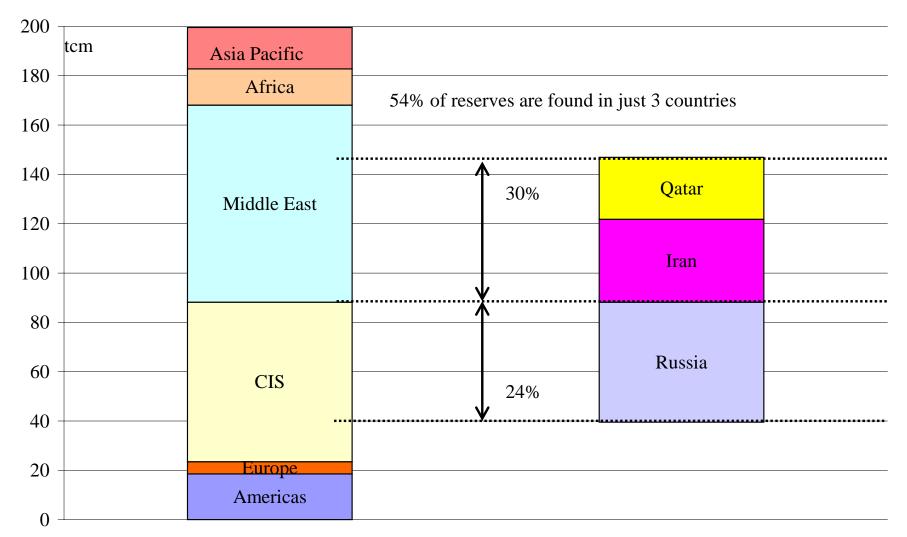
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International Energy Agency, August 2012, and other information sources

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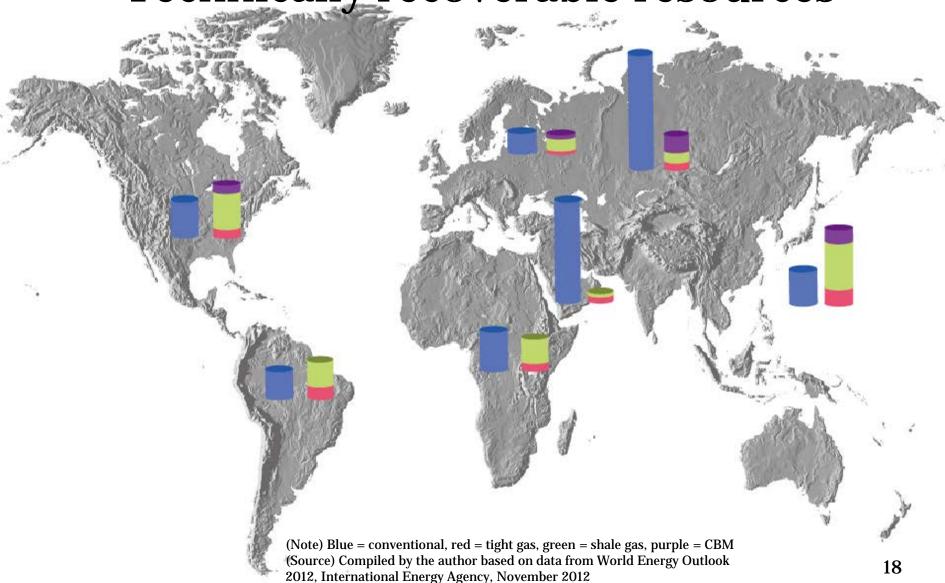


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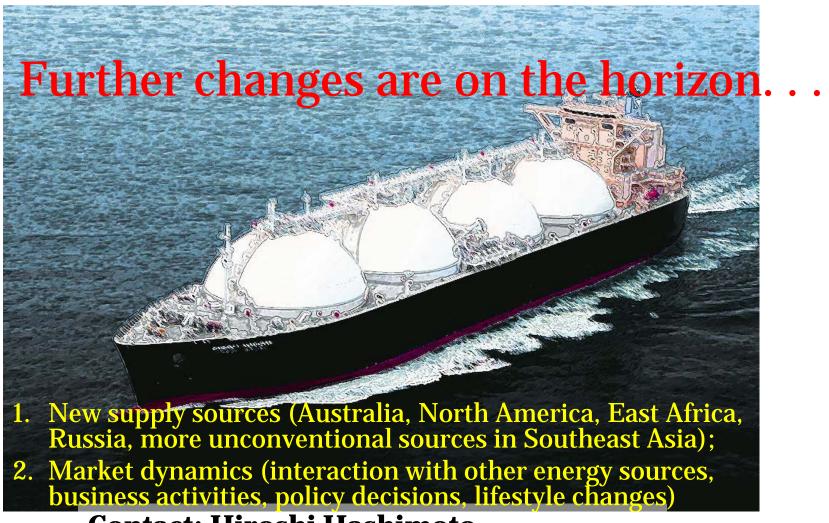


Technically recoverable resources





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