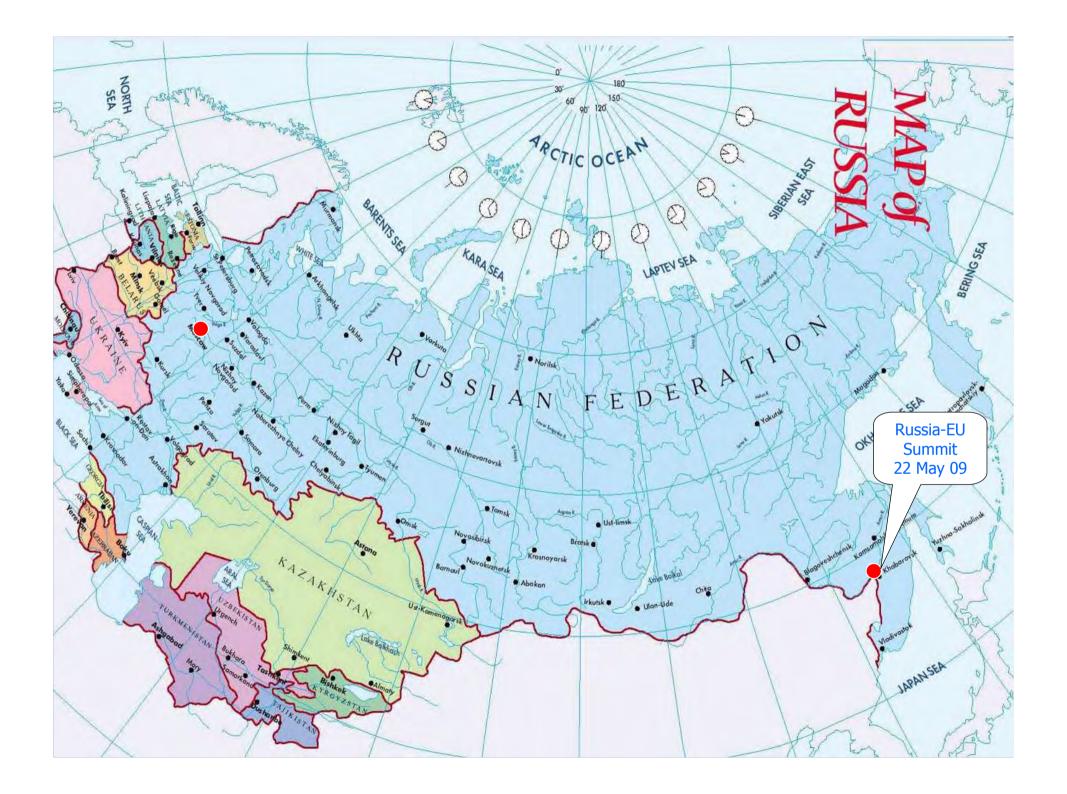
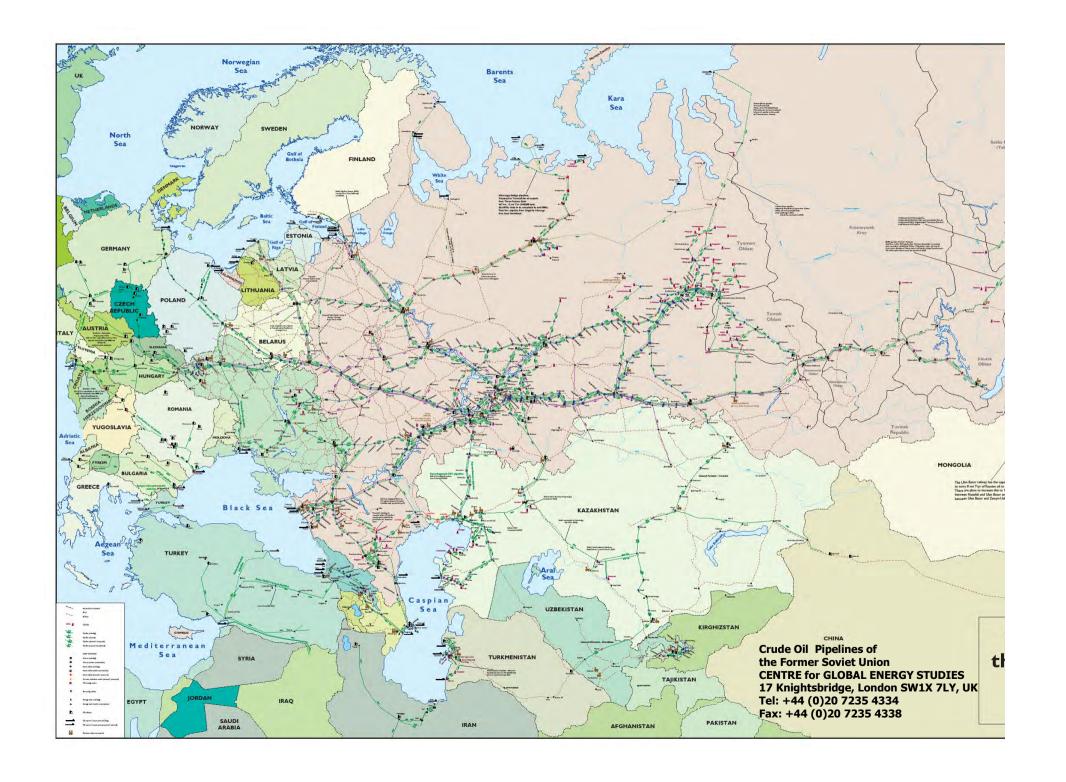
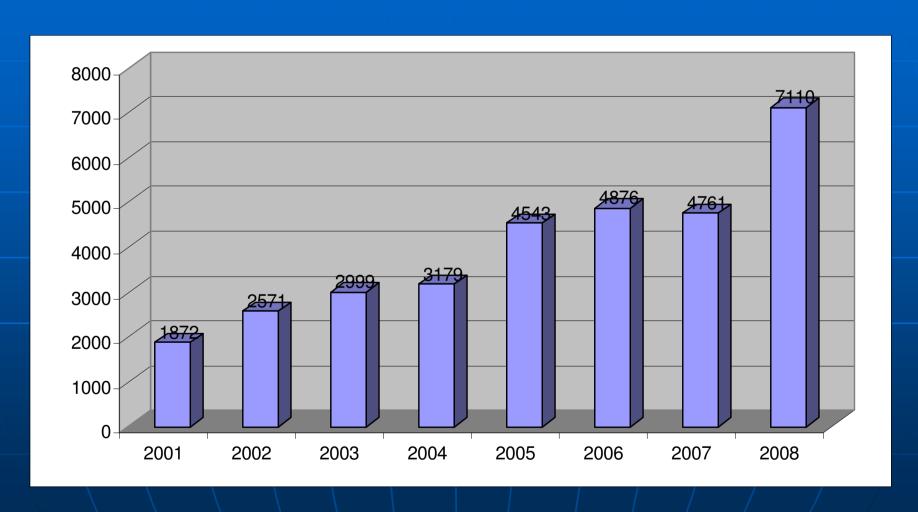
# Energy Security: Diversification and flexibility of Supply

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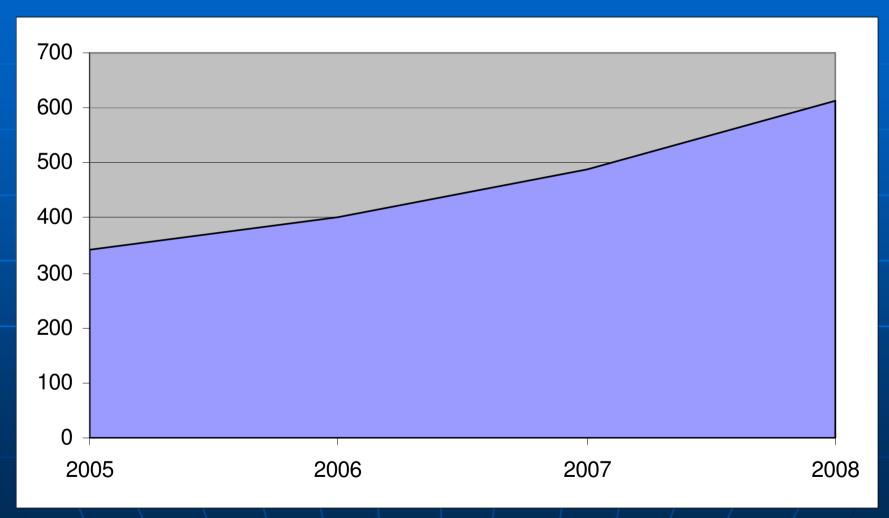


# Russian-Greek Trade Volume (millions US Dollars)



Source: National Statistical Service of Greece, 2008

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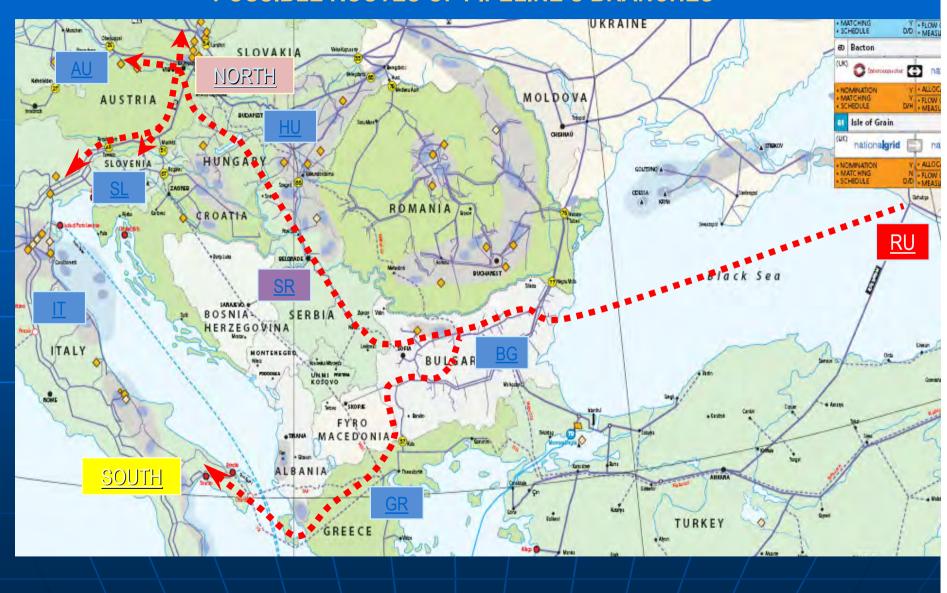
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# Cooperation in Investments (major projects)

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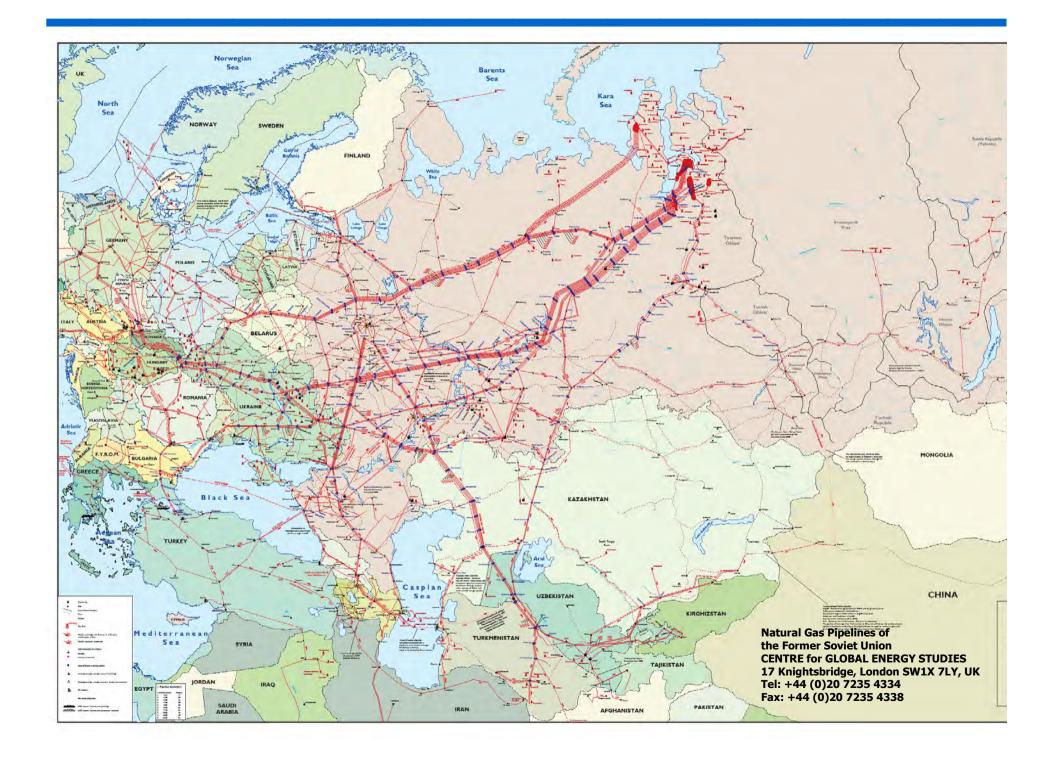
➤ Gas Pipeline System "South Stream"

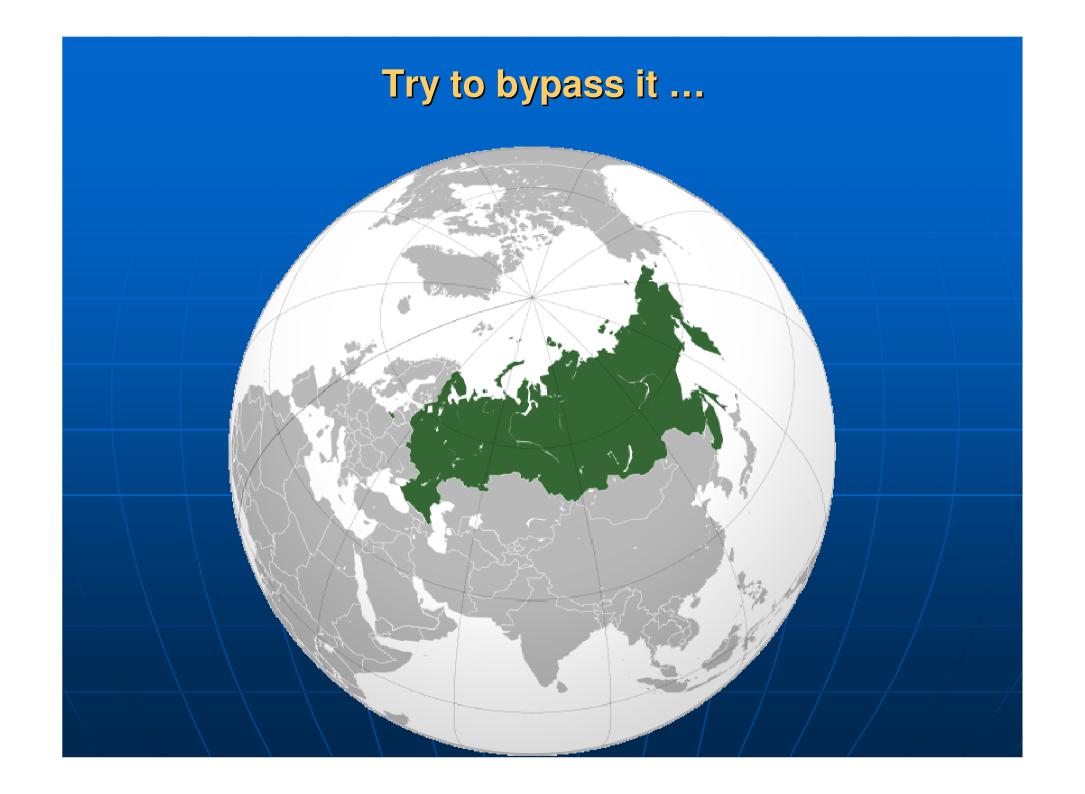
#### "SOUTH STREAM" PROJECT POSSIBLE ROUTES OF PIPELINE'S BRANCHES



# SOUTH STREAM (more points)

- It's feasible, low risk and it provides mutually beneficiary solutions to the countries of the region in gas supply. Russia has enough financial resources to ensure its implementation, despite the crisis.
- The project does fully comply with the objectives of the EU regulatory framework both in terms of energy security and environmental protection
- The South Stream comes to compensate the un-sufficient investment in pipeline transportation capacity in the previous periods. It will undoubtedly reinvigorate the economic activities in the region.
- The new pipeline system will further diversify the routes of transportation and enhance the flexibility of supply.
- > By establishing a direct connection between the suppliers and consumers it will help to mitigate the transit risks, which remain a major challenge for the European Energy Security





### Flexibility of Supply What makes it different from Diversification?

- Expansion of the pipeline transmission capacity, in particular, by building multiple transportation routes
- Building up storage capacities
- Networking the pipeline systems
- Improving the Legal Framework for Interstate Energy Cooperation on the basis of mutual responsibility of consumers, suppliers and transit states

#### CONCLUSIONS

- Energy Security presumes an adequate combination of diversification and flexibility of supply.
- ➤ The "South Stream" gas pipeline is supportive to the said objective.
- ➤ The Russian Natural Gas is the best friend of the European Natural Environment.

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