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RISING POLITICAL RISK IN LNG SUPPLY

War between Russia and Ukraine has catapulted political risk to the forefront of global gas. The issue and solution by now are well rehearsed. Europe allowed itself to become dangerously dependent on Russian pipeline gas. The curtailment of Russian supplies leading up to and during the war consequently generated a massive shortage, with unprecedented spot prices, and resulting trauma and hardship. In response, Europe has massively increased its LNG imports and is frantically expanding its LNG terminal infrastructure.

It could hardly do otherwise. But as it tries to rebuild energy security on the debris of prior policy, it would be foolish to assume that LNG supplies are immune to political risk. Rather it—along with buyer countries and companies worldwide—are well advised to develop a sophisticated understanding of LNG political risk, and build appropriate mitigation measures into the design and implementation of its LNG procurement strategy.

Our paper will contribute to this vital task by:

- Identifying the main political risks affecting LNG supply
- Describing how such risks can be measured and monitored
- Assessing for each major risk for the industry as a whole
 - the severity of the threat
 - whether it has been increasing or decreasing
 - whether it is likely to increase or decrease in the near future
- Analyzing the interplay between demand-side and supply-side political risk
- Outlining initial do's and don'ts of mitigation.

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