

NATO Pipeline System

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NATO Pipeline System Latest News

Recently, the Polish government said that it will finally join the NATO Pipeline System (NPS).

About NATO Pipeline System

- It was set up during the **Cold War** to supply **NATO forces** with fuel.
- It is approximately **10,000 kilometres** long, runs through **12 NATO countries** and has a storage capacity of 4.1 million cubic metres.
- The NPS links together **storage depots, military air bases, civil airports**, pumping stations, truck and rail loading stations, refineries and entry/discharge points.
- **Funding:** Bulk distribution is carried out using facilities from the common-funded NATO Security Investment Programme.
- **Controlled by:** The networks are **controlled by national organisations**, with the exception of the **Central Europe Pipeline System (CEPS)**, which is a multinational system managed by the CEPS Programme Office under the aegis of the NATO Support and Procurement Agency.

- **Structure**

- It is overseen by the **Petroleum Committee**, which is the senior advisory body in NATO on consumer logistics and, more specifically, on petroleum issues.
- It reports to the Logistics Committee on all matters of concern to NATO in connection with **military fuels and other petroleum installations**.
- The NPS **consists of eight national pipeline** systems and two multinational systems

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