The Globalization of Russian Gas
Political and Commercial Catalysts

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Since the collapse of the Soviet Union, Gazprom has dominated the Russian gas industry. However, the markets in which it operates have changed dramatically, with the company increasingly being challenged at home and abroad. At this critical moment, this insightful book analyses the involvement of the Russian gas industry in the changing international gas market and the dramatic implications for Russia's role as a global supplier of gas in the future.

‘Rare are those academic books that I truly enjoy or that even read in bed. This is one of them. Perhaps it has something to do with my interest in natural gas markets with its legal, political and commercial twists, but it is certainly also connected to the fact that this is a great book. Not only does it provide the reader with up-to-date and in-depth information concerning the globalization of Russian gas, it is also an extremely well written book. It is one of the few academic publications that is easy to read and something that can, and should, be read from page one to the very last page.’
– Kim Talus, Oil, Gas & Energy Law Intelligence

This is an outstanding and path-breaking book, by two of the best authorities on the subject, backed by two of the leading research institutes on energy policy, the Oxford Institute for Energy Studies, and the Nansen Institute in Oslo. The book comes at a key moment in the history of the Russian gas sector, when the traditional division of duties between the industry and state, which had remained largely unchanged since Soviet times, has now become increasingly unstable, and may lead to profound changes ahead, with far-reaching implications for Russian gas strategy, at a time of revolutionary changes in the world gas industry.’
– The Russian Review

‘The topic of Russian gas has become deeply controversial, evoking passionate responses. James Henderson and Arild Moe do not fall into the trap of over-polarization, and provide a great analysis of the current situation.’
– Aurélie Bros, Harvard University, US

‘James Henderson and Arild Moe bring years of research on Russian gas to this examination of the interplay between domestic developments and global forces. They explain changing dynamics in the Russian market and the growing competition between Gazprom, Rosneft and Novatek. Having failed to take US shale gas and the EU’s liberalisation project seriously, they detail how Gazprom has gained from market competition. However, it is Novatek that has stolen a march in leading Russia’s drive to become a serious player in the global LNG market. This book is essential ready for everyone interested in the global gas market and the future of gas in Russia.’
– Michael Bradshaw, University of Warwick, UK

‘For energy and geopolitical practitioners, this valuable book provides an indispensable analysis of the importance of viewing Russian gas through European, Asian and global lenses, as the country becomes an increasingly important player not just in relation to pipeline gas, but also in the global LNG market.’