

## **HIGAS obtains the final Governmental approval for the first small scale LNG storage plant in the Mediterranean**

On September the 28<sup>th</sup> the Italian Ministry of Economic Development has concluded the works of the Ministerial Committee, formed by local, regional and national authorities, to issue the authorization for the construction and operation of the 9000 cbm small scale LNG storage plant in Santa Giusta (Oristano), Italy. The project has obtained more than 15 positive approvals, including the authorization of the Italian Ministry of Infrastructure and Transport granted on October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2016.

The fast and positive conclusion of the procedure has been possible thanks to the synergy created by the Ministerial Committee coordinating the authorities involved.

HIGAS wants to express its gratitude for the conclusion of the Ministerial procedure. This exciting result has been achieved thanks to the hard work of Gas and Heat, partner of HIGAS, which carried out the authorization process during the last year.

HIGAS is now only expecting to receive the Ministerial Decree as required by law in order to start the construction on site of the first small-scale LNG storage plant of the Mediterranean.