



# AXEGAZ

Trading & Technologies

## AXECARD's stations network expands to Bulgaria

29 March 2021, AXEGAZ Trading and Technologies SAS ("ATT") continues expanding the network of LNG and CNG stations accepting the AXECARD.

We have recently added two new stations in **Bulgaria**, both based in **Ruse**, on the Danube, near the border with Romania.



The network of stations that accept the AXECARD, with all information including their **status in real time** can be browsed via the AXECARD mobile phone application:



The **LNG station** is situated in the heart of the **Danube Industrial Zone TEGRA** and is the first and only of its kind in Bulgaria.

The station is located at the following coordinates **43.9025717792975 N, 26.063466944998567 E**. It is easily accessible via **Route 21**, heading to the **East** from the **Danube Bridge Roundabout**.



The other **station distributes CNG**. It is positioned in Ruse Western Industrial Zone at the following coordinates:

**43.82130280144999 N,  
25.928356611096156 E**

The address **74 bul.3ti Mart** is swiftly accessible from both East and West lanes of **E85** via the **exit to Route 5 and bul. 3ti Mart**.

**LNG as a road fuel: economic, competitive and strategic**

Natural gas is incontestably the fuel of the future for heavy-duty vehicles. The use of Liquid Natural Gas (LNG) growth is particularly strong as it offers the key advantage of a range of up to 1,700 km with a double tank, thus overcoming a major limitation posed by Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) at the same time maintaining a great economic and environmental advantage of natural gas over diesel:

- 20% reduction of CO2 emissions, (and up to 90% bio-LNG now available),
- 96% reduction fine particles,
- 70% reduction of nitrogen dioxides.

From an economic point of view, the gas prices are stable and much lower compared to diesel, offering savings in terms of **TCO (Total Cost of Operations) of above 15%**, despite the higher purchase price of LNG vehicles.

Another benefit for the LNG powered truck owners and operators is the significant toll tax reduction in most EU & EEA countries. In the case of Germany, for example, the LNG/CNG powered vehicles are **100% exempted from the Federal Highway Toll**.

Furthermore, LNG filling stations offer the same level of performance in terms of re-fuelling time as diesel stations: **less than 10 minutes to fill the tank!** There is another argument in favour of gas engines over diesel: noise levels reduction by up to 10 dB, offering a distinct advantage to operators in urban delivery sector, in particular for night deliveries.

### **LNG refuelling solution**

For the reasons mentioned above, the number of LNG trucks continues to increase on European roads, along with the network of LNG re-fuelling stations.

LNG trucks are suitable for long-haul international transport by virtue of their range. However, transporters report difficulties in re-fuelling them on long journeys due to patchy network coverage, varying operating procedures requiring specific driver training, disparate payment methods, and opaque pricing.



Transporters, especially international ones, are increasingly using fuel cards such as AXECARD ([www.axecard.eu](http://www.axecard.eu)) to ensure that their LNG trucks are refuelled efficiently and economically.

AXECARD is a fuel card that focuses solely on refuelling CNG and LNG, providing multiple benefits:

- An organization with a long experience in LNG refuelling (since 2014);
- Reactivity to satisfy customer requests;
- A network of over 80 LNG filling stations in partnership with the main operators;
- An ever expanding network, to cover all the main transport corridors in Europe;
- Payment through AXECARD, the exclusive card of the network;
- Competitive price list, known in advance;
- Additional discounts against volume commitments;
- Multilingual remote support 24 hours a day, 7 days a week;
- Mobile application to find the best re-fuelling station and check its status in real time ;
- A single contract, a single card, and a single bill for all refuellings.

Brigitte Hallay, Chairperson of ATT, said, "We are proud to cooperate with Bulmarket DM, the operator of the two new stations, and are looking forward to servicing our customers also in Bulgaria from now on".

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