

Call for expressions of interest in
inter-regional CO₂ transport
infrastructure

CO₂ Specifications Proposal



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1 Introduction

CO₂ specifications, just as they exist for natural gas transmission, are needed to ensure the safe operation of future CO₂ transmission networks and to ensure interoperability with adjacent systems.

These CO₂ specifications must make it possible to preserve the integrity of the transport structures and to guarantee the routing of CO₂ to other transport infrastructures.

Any CO₂ stream introduced on the CO₂ transport infrastructure proposed in this call for expression of interest will therefore have to comply with specifications in terms of:

- CO₂ quality (composition)
- Pressure and temperature conditions

2 CO₂ quality

CO₂ quality specifications will apply to CO₂ stream injected into the transport infrastructure and to deliveries to export points, networks and other adjacent transport systems and CO₂ utilisation sites.

The CO₂ quality specifications proposal will be shared with stakeholders responding to this call for expressions of interest.

It is based on benchmarks, studies and R&D work and takes account of existing standards (in particular NF EN ISO 27913: 2025¹) and the standardisation work in progress within CEN TC 4 74².

This proposal defines the following component thresholds: CO₂ (> 96%), H₂, N₂, Ar, CH₄, CO, O₂, H₂S, SO₃, total S, NO_x, HCN, H₂O, ethanol, methanol, MEG, TEG, amine compounds, NH₃, acetic acid, formaldehyde, acetaldehyde, other aldehyde compounds, aromatic hydrocarbons (C₆-10), BTEX, aliphatic hydrocarbons (C₂-8 and C₉-10), VOCs, mercury, cadmium, thallium, solid particles.

All other components not listed above must be declared by the CO₂ producer for assessment. The CO₂ stream must not contain impurities that could damage downstream transport infrastructures, equipment and systems or tanks.

The CO₂ quality proposal for this CO₂ transport infrastructure project may be amended as a result of discussions with interested parties, advances in R&D, developments in processing techniques, and any publications or updates of standards on CO₂ transport infrastructures.

¹ NF EN ISO 27913: 2025: Capture, transport and geological storage of carbon dioxide - Pipeline transport systems
² Technical Committee on Carbon Dioxide Capture, Transport, Utilization and Storage (CCUS) of the European Committee for Standardization



NaTran's objective is to establish an optimal CO₂ quality specification for the entire CCUS value chain.

3 Pressure and temperature conditions

At this stage, NaTran favours a transport infrastructure for CO₂ injected and transported in a gaseous state.

Preliminarily, the aim is to transport the gas in a gaseous state, with a maximum operating pressure of 35 bar. The operating pressure can vary between 18 barg and 35 barg.

The operating conditions for the infrastructure, and in particular the minimum and maximum pressures and temperatures, will be fine-tuned in later phases of the project, in particular in consultation with the stakeholders involved, according to the technical specifications gathered from the emitters and the CO₂ export or utilisation sites, and depending on the constraints of the environment encountered and the operating conditions of the network that will be defined.

