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### **Study initiated to assess conversion of Kelvin power station from coal to gas**

US\$1.3 million feasibility study has been initiated into the prospect of converting the coal-fired Kelvin power station, east of Johannesburg, into a 450 MW to 600 MW gas-fired power station. The study will also assess the potential for developing the Kelvin site into a gas distribution hub for Gauteng, South Africa's industrial heartland.

The study will also assess prospects for using liquefied natural gas (LNG), which could, in future, be imported through Richards Bay, in KwaZulu-Natal.

*Engineering News, 21 August 2018*

### **Kudu gas project might not be viable for Namibia – Energy Minister**

Namibia's long-delayed Kudu gas-to-power project, seen as key to boosting electricity security in the southwest African country, might not be viable according to Mines and Energy Minister, Tom Alweendo as the project has been delayed for around 25 years.

The project, the estimated costs of which run into billions of dollars, would entail gas from the offshore field, with recoverable reserves estimated at more than 3.3 trillion cubic feet, being transferred to a floating production system before being piped some 170 km (105 miles) to a planned power plant at Oranjemund along the coast.

*Engineering News, 14 August 2018*

### **Tanzania wants to build pipeline to pump gas to Uganda**

Tanzania wants to build a pipeline to pump natural gas to neighbouring Uganda, another step in the two countries' bid to expand energy cooperation.

The pipeline would start from its capital Dar es Salaam, then pass through Tanga port on the Indian Ocean and to Mwanza, a port on Lake Victoria before crossing the border to Uganda.

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### **Nigeria to take 3rd spot as global gas exporter**

Upon reaching a final investment decision on the Train-7 project by December, the Nigeria LNG Limited (NLNG) is confident that the milestone will make the west African country the third largest gas exporter globally.

NLNG, which currently operates six gas plants, plans to invest US\$7 billion on the Train-7 project and expand its production capacity to 30 mtpa. This move is envisaged to make Nigeria the third largest exporter of gas in the world after Qatar and Australia.

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