

# Press release: The Sniffers partners with INCAS Romania to reduce the methane footprint

Complementary services combine environmental aerial surveys with ground-based surveys to map companies' methane emissions performances

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The Sniffers, the leading global environmental and integrity service provider, and INCAS, the Romania-based research establishment specialized in environmental aerial surveys for methane detection, are partnering to help local gas and energy companies get a complete picture of their methane emissions performances. By combining The Sniffers' source measurements at ground level, and INCAS' expertise in aerial surveys to map methane leaks on site level, the partners will support oil & gas players in Romania identify their complete methane emission situation.

The Sniffers' technical specialists identify and quantify methane emissions from installations directly at the sources using a wide range of best available techniques. Local gas and energy companies are now able to work with The Sniffers and INCAS to help them work towards OGMP 2.0's Gold Standard and eventually reach the level 5 reporting target.

*Dr. Eng. Cătălin Nae – INCAS President & CEO said "Decarbonization is without a doubt one of today's more challenging issues. Ambitious targets and actions will ensure the acceleration of methane gas reductions contributing to both slowing down climate change and improving air quality. We are enthusiastic in supporting our partner with the institute's expertise in aerial survey operations and being a part of a joint effort for a better future."*



*Leak quantification with High Flow Sampler    INCAS' aircraft to capture methane leaks    Screening with IR camera by The Sniffers by The Sniffers*

Bart Wauterickx, CEO of The Sniffers, added *"With our new partnership, we can help the Romanian oil & gas industry assess and reduce their methane emissions performances using both a top-down and bottom-up approach, leaving them with a complete and credible picture of their methane footprints. We look forward to working with INCAS Romania on helping clients carve out their path towards OGMP 2.0's level 5 reporting target."*

Partnerships are crucial in the efforts to reducing methane emissions to the atmosphere, the second largest contributor to climate change, and to achieve the Paris goals for Global Warming. Until recently, stakeholders often stayed in the dark when it comes to companies' actual methane emissions performances.

The lack of accurate data and global transparency is now being resolved through precise measurements and more insight in companies' actual methane footprints, especially with the recent launch of the OGMP 2.0 framework. **With new technology and the opportunity to combine approaches on source level and site level** means that **there is no longer any reason to wait to reduce methane emissions.** The time to act is now.

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#### About

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The Sniffers is the leading service provider in emission management and pipeline integrity programs for the oil, gas and (petro)chemical industry. They realize their customers' environmental, sustainability, and integrity ambitions with emission monitoring projects and pipeline integrity activities. As an international service provider, they executed over 9,000 successful LDAR projects and have 30 years of experience in the industry. The Sniffers recently launched their Methane Accounting Program that has a dedicated focus on methane reduction along the whole gas value chain and supports companies to reach the gold standard of OGMP2.0.

**INCAS** - For more information, please visit <https://www.incas.ro/>.

INCAS - National Institute for Aerospace Research "Elie Carafoli" is the leading research establishment in aerospace sciences in Romania and has more than 70 years tradition in aerospace engineering, flow physics and applied aerodynamics. It exploits state-of-the-art technologies and owns unique infrastructure of national strategic importance. INCAS has been involved in all major national aeronautical projects for civil and military areas, and currently is acting as a major player in EU policy for R&D development under FlightPath 2050 vision and future Horizon Europe program.