

Poroshenko Says Ukraine, Russia Agree 'Main Parameters' of Gas Deal

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Russia's President Vladimir Putin (L) talks with his Ukrainian counterpart Petro Poroshenko (R), as France's President Francois Hollande (C) watches during a meeting in Milan, Oct. 17, 2014.

ROME — Russia and Ukraine have agreed the outlines of a contract to resolve their dispute over gas supplies, Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko said Friday after a meeting Russian President Vladimir Putin and the leaders of France and Germany.

"We have agreed on the main parameters of the [gas] contract," Poroshenko told reporters after the talks at the margins of a summit of Asian and European leaders in Milan.

Poroshenko and Putin met together with German Chancellor Angela Merkel and French President Francois Hollande after an earlier round of talks with EU leaders that was described by a Kremlin spokesman as "difficult."

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