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# **Agenda**

- 13:00 13:10: Introduction and minutes
- 13:10 13:25: Baseline study: feedback public consultation and implementation plan
- 13:25 13:40: Study on a technology neutral framework for slow-start units: implementation plan
- 13:40 13:50: Designation of multiple BRPs on an access point: implementation plan
- 13:50 14:00: Consultation of the Dynamic Means study
- 14:00 14:15: Public Data exposure
- 14:15 14:35: aFRR: publications on ETP after connection to PICASSO

#### **AOB**

- Simplify: results and implementation plan
- EU Balancing Program update
- EMS for aFRR
- WG Balancing of 2022



# Minutes of Meeting for approval

Minutes of Meeting of WG Balancing on 22<sup>nd</sup> of November 2021:

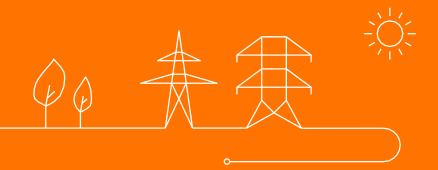
No comments received from the stakeholders.





# Study on baseline methodologies: feedback public consultation and implementation plan

Presented by Kris Poncelet





### **Overview public consultation**

- Elia organized a public consultation of the study on baseline methodologies from 27/9/2021 until 25/10/2021
- Elia received non-confidential answers from:
  - Centrica Business Solutions
  - FEBEG
  - Febeliec
  - + 1 confidential response

### **Objective today**

- Provide a summary of the feedback on the main conclusions and recommendations of the study
- Present the proposed implementation plan

### **Next step**

 Elia will finalize the study and consultation report and publish it on the website following submission to the CREG

# Market parties generally support the recommendations and push for an implementation of the aFRR baseline



	Recommendations Elia (recap)	Feedback market			
1.	Maintain existing baseline methodologies for all products	Stakeholders generally support Elia's conclusions and recommendation			
2.	aFRR: Elia is willing to additionally enable BSPs to calculate and submit their baseline in real-time (to enable the participation of wind and solar PV)  Elia invited stakeholders to provide indications on the volumes for which the current baseline is considered to form a barrier for participation	Stakeholders support the recommendation and request a quick implementation of the aFRR baseline			
3.	mFRR and ToE DA/ID / CRM: Elia is willing to consider developing an additional declarative baseline methodology but questions the current need  Elia invited market parties to provide indications and specific use cases for which a declarative baseline methodology would be needed to reduce entry barriers	Stakeholders seem to welcome the proposal for a declarative baseline. No specific indications of the needs were provided			

This slides summarizes the feedback on the main conclusions and recommendations of the study. The individual stakeholder comments (including more specific comments) as well as the consultation report with Elia's responses will be published later on the Elia website.



# Elia proposes a phased implementation\* of the different recommendations taking into account the feedback received

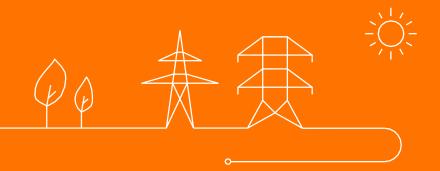
- For the real-time baseline for aFRR, Elia proposes to start the developments following the connection to the PICASSO platform. In this regard, Elia considers that 5 months are minimally required to submit an amended version of the T&C BSP aFRR for approval to the CREG (IT developments would happen in //).
- For the declarative baseline for mFRR, Elia believes the best possible moment to target the required amendments of the T&C BSP mFRR and the ToE Rules is together with phase 2 of the ICAROS project in order to benefit from synergies with the IT developments performed in the ICAROS project for smaller assets (e.g. a scheduling tool for the introduction of schedules similar to declarative baselines). In this regard, Elia proposes to provide a specific planning of the implementation at the latest 6 months after the go-live of ICAROS phase 1/local mFRR.
- For the declarative baseline for ToE DA/ID / CRM: Elia proposes to postpone the implementation until a better view on the actual needs is obtained. In this regard, Elia will consider the return of experience with these products. In addition, Elia proposes to perform a re-assessment of the need at the latest before the end of Q2 2023 to ensure that a potential development is possible for the Y-1 auction for the first delivery period of the CRM.

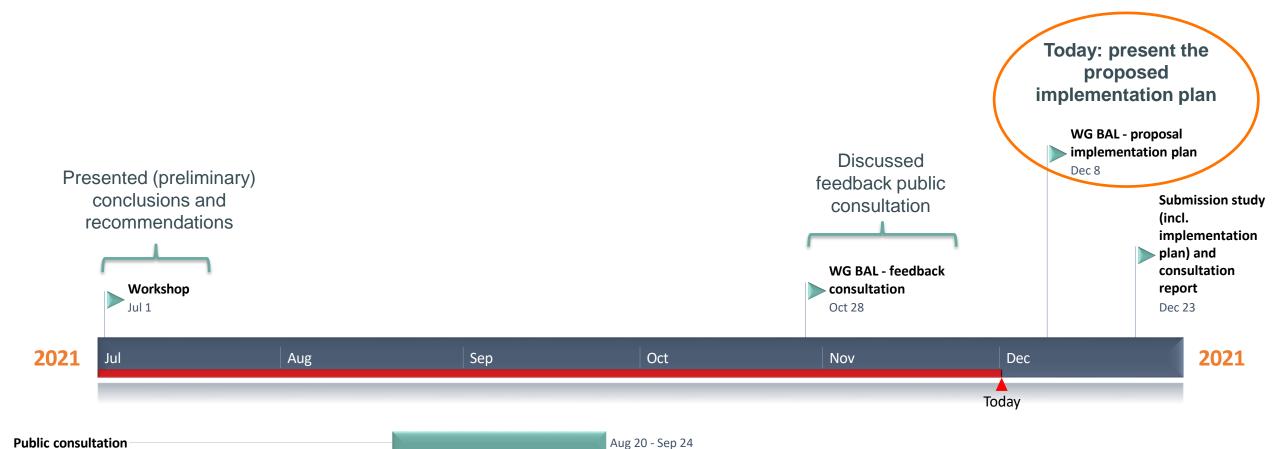
<sup>\*</sup>The planning presented is indicative. The final proposed implementation plan will be submitted to the CREG before the end of the year and afterwards published on the Elia website.



# Study on a technology neutral framework for slow-start units: implementation plan

Presented by Kris Poncelet





### Proposed implementation plan

Recall: Elia proposes not to target an implementation of the proposed technology-neutral framework at this point, but considers an implementation might be targeted in the future. In this regard, a design for the proposed framework has been proposed (and further clarified) in the study, and Elia proposes the following indicative plan for its implementation:

- **0 Monitor the future need** to enable DP<sub>PG</sub> to participate to the exceptional balancing measures
- Analyze activations of slow-starting DP<sub>SU</sub> + present in WG BAL
- Follow-up on triggers exceptional balancing measures
- Analyze the need to take additional measures in light of upcoming changes in the market/system (e.g., increase offshore wind)

# 1 – Amend the LFCBOA and the Balancing Rules

Take the opportunity during upcoming revisions:

- Balancing Rules: revisions for ICAROS phase 1/local mFRR
- LFCBOA: next revision (not scheduled yet)

### 2 – Develop new contract

6 months before submission for approval\*

### 3 – Perform IT implementations

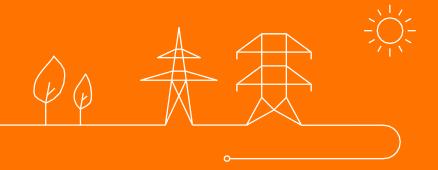
9 months required (assuming implementation after go-live ICAROS phase 1/lcaol mFRR)\*

<sup>\*</sup> In the unlikely case in which, despite the monitoring actions taken, there would be an unexpected yet important and urgent need to attract additional volumes, the time required for developing the contract and doing the (minimal) IT implementations can be reduced significantly (as evidenced by the experience with the Winter Product). In combination with the pro-active amendments of the LFCBOA and the Balancing rules, the minimal time required for implementation could be drastically reduced.



# Designation of multiple BRPs per access point: Implementation plan

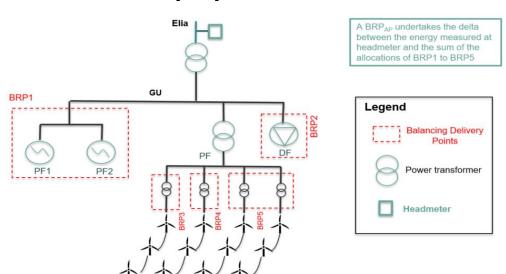
Presented by Raphael Dufour





## Designation of multiple BRPs per access point – Implementation Plan

### Reminder of the proposed scheme in the study



#### Key points of the new proposed scheme:

- Balancing Delivery Point (BDP): a virtual point equal to the access point or behind the access point on which a BRP is designated (similar to a Market Access Point in CDS grid)
- Accountability: BRP\_AP has the responsibility for 'residual' energy
- Allocations: made by the Access Contract Holder (ACH)
- **Metering**: no requirements from Elia, up to the ACH but conform to metering solutions to provide ancillary services (if relevant)
- Coherency with other roles: BDP are aligned with Delivery Points for scheduling and ancillary services
- Elia proposes to target an implementation of the scheme proposed in the study just after the iCAROS phase 1 **go-live** (planned on Q1 2023) as
  - The principles proposed in this new scheme are coherent with the principles of the iCAROS Design. This implies that some notions of the iCAROS architecture (such as the notions of Technical Unit, Technical Facility, Delivery Point etc) will have to be implemented before building on them the notion of BDP.
  - Some tools and processes to be adapted for the implementation of this new scheme are similar to those impacted by the iCAROS project

### Designation of multiple BRPs per access point – Implementation Plan



- The **contractual framework** needs to be adapted:
  - Access contract:
    - Designation of BRPs by the ACH (article 20)
    - New appendix describing the new scheme proposed in the study (allocation process, conditions on BDPs and ACH to use the scheme, roles and responsibilities of BRP AP)
  - **BRP contract**:
    - Notion of BDP
    - Allocation data to be sent at BDP level by ACH (articles 20 and 22)
    - Role of the BRP AP
  - Note: Elia does not see a need to adapt the **Federal Grid Code** even if some clarifications could be brought
- Some IT development and processes update are necessary

### → An implementation is targeted in Q3 2023



# Designation of multiple BRPs per access point – Provision for federal grid losses

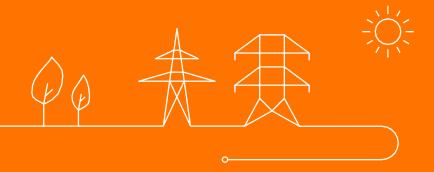


- Reminder from the study:
  - Elia agrees with the principle of netting the losses at the access point that can be applied in case of Annex 3bis, CDS and new future scheme developed in the study
  - Some additional analysis will be necessary to evaluate the feasibility and practical implementation of this netting in the context of this study
- The implementation of the netting of federal losses in kind at access point for multiple BRPs schemes has been analyzed
  - The analysis shows that this netting can be implemented at the same moment than the new scheme
  - This implementation could also be influenced by the results of the **incentive in 2022** about the grid losses



# Daily prediction of non-contracted balancing energy bids Status overview and results of the public consultation

Presented by Kristof De Vos



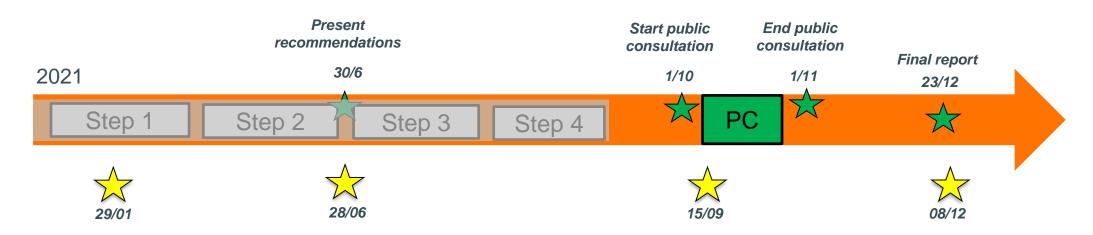
### Status overview



Objective: Development, testing and validation of a method for forecasting the volume of uncontracted balancing energy offers available within Elia's LFC Block



WG Balancing presentations are foreseen: kick-off and for every milestone



#### Kick-off

- Present objective, scope and planning
- Collect potential feedback / expectations from market parties

### Intermediate presentation

- Recommendations on the input features and selected methods
- Present approach for the comparative analyses

#### **Public Consultation**

- Present a draft of the full study to the stakeholders (report)
- Collect suggestions and remarks and answer via consultation report

### **Final report**

- Publication final report
- Publication of consultation report



# Re-cap of the proposed implementation roadmap





2021 : predictability

Investigate if available non-contracted FRR means can be predicted before the capacity tender (in view of balancing capacity reductions)

- 1. Results demonstrate availability upward equals 500 MW on average (including up to 312 MW of reserve sharing).
- 2. The available data and current state of the aFRR market does not allow to confirm the potential at this moment
- 3. Results confirm that available downward continue to almost always cover the FRR needs

Results are subject to uncertainty following expected market evolutions: explicit bidding, full activation time reductions for mFRR and EU balancing energy platforms!

2022 : value generation

Investigate the procurement aspects when replacing (part of) the upward mFRR balancing capacity with non-contracted balancing energy bids

- Potential procurement solutions for accounting non-contracted in the allocation of balancing means
- Identify risks and potential risk mitigation for market stability
- Update (where possible) the results and conclusions based on additional data).



2023-24 : robustness

Confirm the robustness after implementation of EU balancing platforms, explicit bidding, shorter full activation time for mFRR)

Re-calibrate machine learning for implementation

- Confirm the potential value of accounting non-contracted balancing energy bids.
- Propose a planning for implementation.





### High level results of the public consultation

Answers of FEBEG, FEBELIEC and one confidential answer

#### **FEBEG**

- Not moving too quickly with the implementation plan
- Conduct suggested follow-up studies on procurement and expected evolutions
- Maintain sufficiently high reliability levels and remain careful with the nonguaranteed nature of sharing
- Be careful for creating gaming opportunities
- Be careful with overestimations following the assumptions on :
  - Implicit bidding
  - Pumped-hydro storage
  - Forced outages and congestions issues
- Elaborate the set of machine learning algorithms to be investigated
- Agrees with observed trends
  - No need for downward procurement
  - No further analysis on aFRR at this point
- Clarify the impact of balancing energy bid or volume withdrawals

### **FEBELIEC**

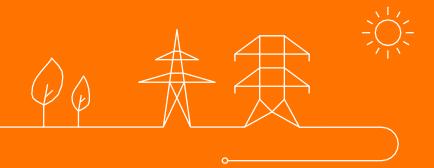
- Move faster with the implementation plan
- Continue analyses and monitor evolutions
- Provide ability to filter historic data and account future expected evolutions.
- Agrees with observed trends
  - No need for downward procurement
  - No further analysis on aFRR at this point
- Provide information on price forecasts used in the study

- No need for new simulations (no concrete suggestions for modifications to the data or method at this point)
  - Further improvements to the data and method can still be implemented in later phases of the implementation roadmap
- Based on the questions of stakeholders, a few additional clarifications will be implemented in the report (e.g. price forecast assumptions, impact of balancing energy bid / volume withdrawal)



# **Public Data exposure**

Presented by Laura Jacobs





# Public Data exposure – Questionnaire

- In order to enable the energy transition and to continue operating the electric system in an increasingly decentralized environment, Elia will have to become data and consumer centric.
- Elia already makes a lot of data publicly available through several channels
- In building the long term public data exposure objectives and roadmap, it's essential to focus on evolutions with a high impact for the market.

### Market consultation

We invite you to answer to the **Questionnaire** that was sent on November 22 and share it with person(s) concerned by this subject in your organization.

The deadline is **December 10**.

The objective is to understand the current use of public data by Belgian market stakeholders and the improvements expected.

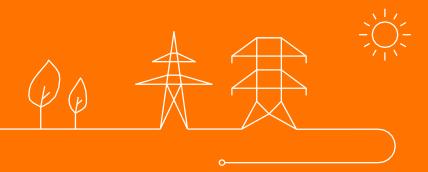
The results will be communicated to e-mail addresses filled in the questionnaire.





# aFRR: publications on ETP after connection to PICASSO

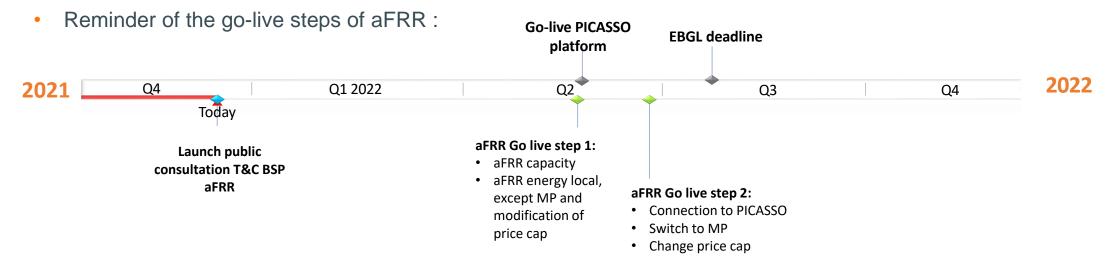
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### **Context and objective**

- During WG Balancing of the 28<sup>th</sup> of October, Elia presented the publications on Elia.be.
- Market parties requested to have a global overview including the publications on ETP. All infos are also available in the manual of procedures drafted by ENTSOE and approved by ACER: <u>TP - Manual of</u> <u>Procedures (MoP) (entsoe.eu)</u>
- Objective is to present that today.

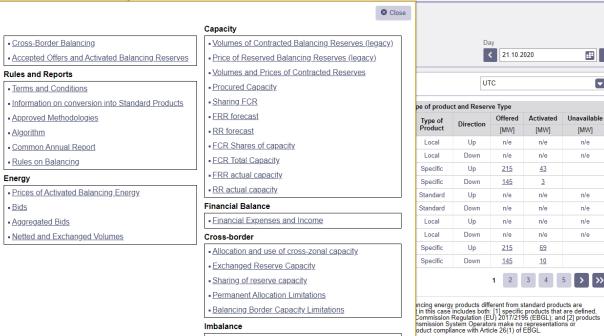




## Impact on balancing publications







Imbalance Netting

Current Balancing State

Imbalance



defined and therefore may not be published

# **PICASSO** will impact publications on :

- Energy
- **Cross-border limitations**

### No impact on publications on :

- Capacity
- **Imbalance**
- **Financial Balance**
- Cross-border capacity

### New publications will be added on:

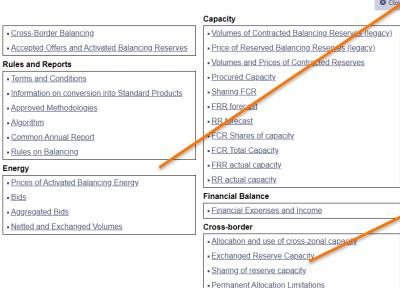
- **Exchanged volumes**
- Fall-backs
- Changes to bid unavailability



## Impact on balancing publications







Balancing Border Capacity Limitations

Imbalance
Imbalance Netting

Imbalance
 Current Balancing State

### **Energy**

- Prices of Activated Balancing Energy → Changes
- Bids → Changes
- Aggregated Bids → Changes
- Netted and Exchanged Volumes
  → New publication

#### Cross-border

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- Allocation and use of cross-zonal capacity
- Exchanged Reserve Capacity
- Sharing of reserve capacity
- Permanent Allocation Limitations
   → Not applicable
- Balancing Border Capacity Limitations → aFRR added

### **New publications:**

- Fall-backs
- Changes to bid unavailability

→ No change

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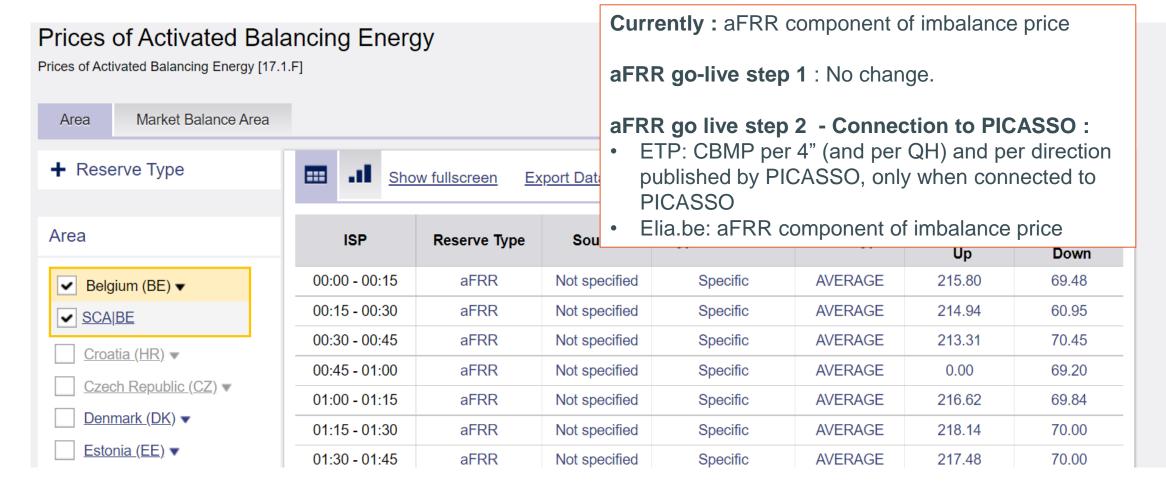
## Changes in current balancing publications

- Prices of Activated Balancing Energy: CBMP published by PICASSO\* with a 4" granularity
- Balancing Energy Bids: anonymized bids published by PICASSO\*
- Aggregated Bids: offered, selected and unavailable volumes published by PICASSO\*
- Balancing Border Capacity Limitations: aFRR component will be added

<sup>\*</sup>For all publications done by PICASSO, the publication will be performed only when connected to PICASSO.

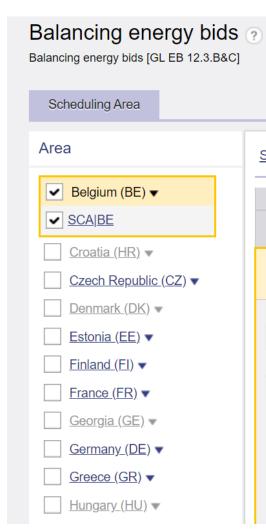


## **Prices of Activated Balancing Energy**





# **Balancing Energy Bids**



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15.11.2021 00:00 -					

**Currently**: anonymized aFRR energy bids: ID, volume, price

### aFRR go-live step 1:

- No publication on ETP
- Publication on Elia.be as is currently done

### aFRR go live step 2 - Connection to PICASSO:

- ETP: publication done by PICASSO, including availability status, only when connected to PICASSO
- Elia.be: publication of bids without availability status.

iCAROS go-live : same but availability status added on Elia.be

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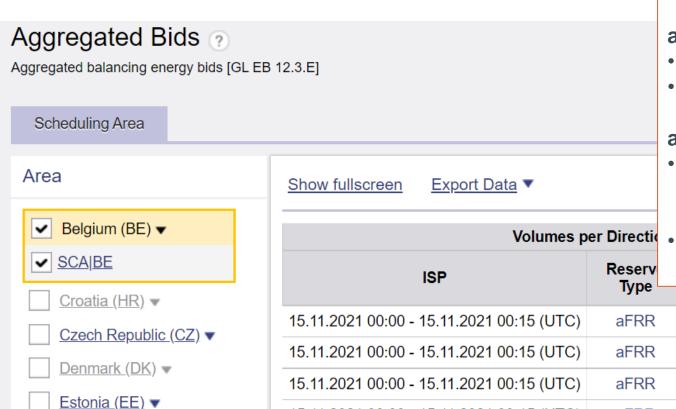
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## **Aggregated Bids**

Finland (FI)

France (FR) v



**Currently**: aggregated offered and activated (aFRR Requested) volume per QH

### aFRR go-live step 1:

- No publication on ETP
- Publication on Elia.be as is currently done

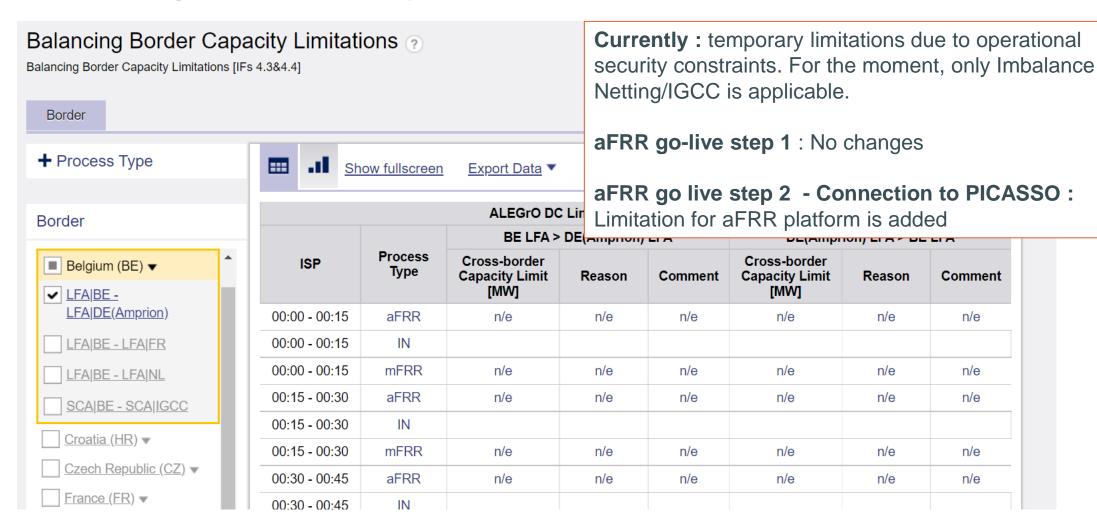
### aFRR go live step 2 - Connection to PICASSO:

- ETP: offered, selected (by PICASSO AOF) and unavailable volume published by PICASSO, only when connected to PICASSO
- Elia.be: offered volume, satisfied demand and activated volume.

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15.11.2021 00:00 - 15.11.2021 00:15 (UTC)	aFRR	Specific	Up	<u>145</u>	<u>32</u>	
15.11.2021 00:00 - 15.11.2021 00:15 (UTC)	aFRR	Specific	Down	<u>147</u>	<u>27</u>	
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## **Balancing Border Capacity Limitations**





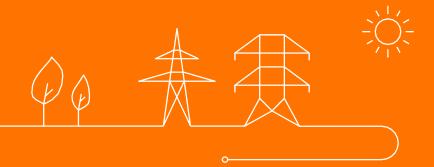
### **ETP - New balancing publications for aFRR**

- Exchanged volumes: Exchanged volume (export or import) published by PICASSO\* with a 4" granularity
- Fall-backs: disconnection from the PICASSO platform and associated reason with a QH granularity.
- Changes to bid unavailability: bid ID, reason for unavailability, ... published by PICASSO\*

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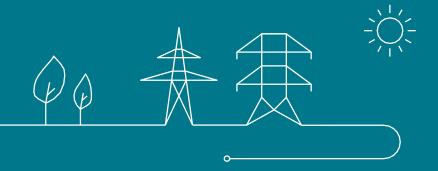
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# **AOB - Simplify: results and implementation plan**

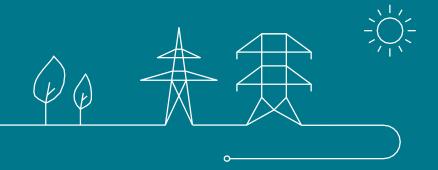
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# **AOB** – EU Balancing Program update

Presented by Cécile Pellegrin



### **Stakeholder management interactions**



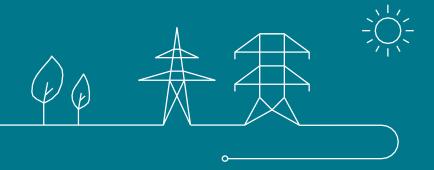
- Access to Demo environment for PICASSO and Updated version of Technical Guide (focused on aFRR)
- Readiness check, aFRR Go live approach & updated roadmap
- Public Consultations
  - Symmetric aFRR bids exemption -> Consultation finalized and proposal submitted to CREG
  - Amendment LFC Means (mFRR Flex Phase out) -> Consultation finalized and proposal submitted to CREG
  - MARI derogation -> Consultation launched [23/11 14/12/21]
  - aFRR T&C -> Consultation launched today [08/12/21 18/01/22]
  - Balancing rules (amendment needed for PICASSO) -> Consultation to be launched at the end of this year
- Other next planned interaction(s):
  - Updated mFRR design note to be shared





# **AOB – EMS for aFRR**

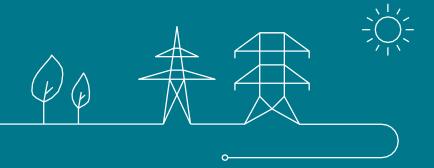
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# **AOB – Next WG Balacing**

Presented by Didier Chim





### **Next WG Balancing**

#### 2021

Workshop on the future of Imbalance Price - 13/12/2021 – 9:30 – 12:30

#### 2022

- WG Balancing 27/01/2022 9:00 13:00
- WG Balancing 22/03/2022 9:00 13:00
- WG Balancing 05/05/2022 9:00 13:00
- WG Balancing 22/06/2022 9:00 13:00
- WG Balancing 15/09/2022 9:00 13:00
- WG Balancing 27/10/2022 9:00 13:00
- WG Balancing 07/12/2022 9:00 13:00

Dates will be upload into the agenda of the WG Balancing page and usergroups.

