

## Meeting report

### WG EMD-SO

<b>Date</b>	Mar 19 <sup>th</sup> 2021
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### Report

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## 1. Agenda

### System Operations

1. Emergency and restoration: status
2. Status and progress on the solutions for frequency deviations
3. Status of the investigations on the 8 January System split
4. Export limitations on 11 and 13 March 2021
5. Elia summer outlook 2021  $\Leftrightarrow$  risks for incompressibility

### European Market Design

1. ALEGrO: monitoring of market usage
2. Brexit: loose volume coupling
3. ENTSO-E consultations: block bids, shadow auctions

## 2. Report

F. Carton opens the meeting by welcoming all participants. The minutes of meeting from the previous meeting and the agenda for today's meeting are approved.

### Emergency and restoration: status

P. Van Meirhaeghe provides an update of the different deliverables. He clarifies that:

- The list of high priority SGUs is publicly available in terms of categories, not in terms of individual company names;
- COGEN plants have to be steerable and have a capacity > 25MW for them to be considered as high priority SGUs

M. Van Bossuyt asks if there are legal consequences of not meeting the deadline for the roll-out of the black-out proof phones. Peter takes it as an action point to verify.

### Status and progress on the solutions for frequency deviations

B. Malfliet explains the root cause of the frequency deviation which occurred in Central Europe in Jan 2019, and highlights proposals / measures to tackle at one hand the deterministic component and on the other hand the long lasting component.

Bernard clarifies there are no specific products nor ramping constraints on generator side considered in Belgium.

G. Maes reacts that 15' MTU in ID is part of the solution, yet cross-product matching and higher ID capacities would be welcome to fully enable its potential.

### Status of the investigations on the 8 January System split

B. Malfliet explains the sequence of events that led to the system split in Continental Europe, highlighting that - aside from FCR – interruptible services in Italy and France as well as contribution from HVDC links to Nordics and UK intervened to stabilize the grid.

G. Maes inquires why only in France and Italy the interruptible services were activated. Bernard clarifies that local frequency criteria can be a reason. M. Van Bossuyt observes that most other countries do not have such interruptible services.



### **Export limitations on 11 and 13 March 2021**

B. Malfliet explains that the combination of default flow-based parameters resulting from the CWE FB DA capacity calculation with the abundance of cheap energy resulted into the negative prices observed for the 11<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> of March.

G. Maes inquires about CWE TSOs' action plan. Bernard explains experts are running tests with more extreme shifts of net positions to evaluate robustness.

During this period also a storm risk was issued. F. Carton underlines the situation was well managed by the BRPs, hence the storm risk procedures are working.

### **Elia summer outlook 2021 <=> risks for incompressibility**

C. Bastiaensen explains that from May till August there is an increased risk of incompressibility, where export may not be sufficient for 1 out of 4 weekends. Key drivers are reduced load (weekend, holiday) in combination with increased wind & solar production, low revision on nuclear and full revision of Coö.

It is clarified that prices during DA market coupling can go down to -500€/MWh. B. Pycke reacts that negative prices in itself are not to be seen as an issue.

G. Maes inquires how the assumptions are made during the CWE FB DA capacity calculation process. Cindy confirms a likely market direction is chosen to optimize the grid against.

G. Maes inquires about transparency on ID capacities. S. Van Campenhout refers to the upcoming CWE CG.

### **ALEGrO: monitoring of market usage**

As follow-up of the action point noted during the previous meeting, G. Etienne presents performance indicators on ALEGrO.

G. Maes asks if ALEGrO is going to be integrated in IGCC. J. Matthys-Donnadieu responds there is no concrete info and refers to WG Balancing for further follow-up.

### **Brexit: loose volume coupling**

G. Etienne presents the governance and ambition of the EU-UK Trade and Cooperation Agreement regarding market coupling.

He clarifies that in the concept of Loose Volume Coupling, the matching of the GB order book with the order books of the coupled EU bidding zones happens as follows:

- Flows on the interconnectors are estimated based on incomplete information;
- The estimated flows are translated into bids in SDAC. For example, if 1000 MW export is estimated on NemoLink a 1000 MW demand bid will be added on the Belgian bidding zone in SDAC.

B. Genêt recognizes the strong need for public consultation, which will start with the Cost-Benefit Assessment.

### **ENTSO-E consultations: block bids, shadow auctions**

S. Van Campenhout reminds about two surveys conducted on pan-EU level:

- Introduction of block bids;
- Role of shadow auctions.



Market Parties react they see preconditions for block bids to create added value i.e. managing an optimal split between annual and year-ahead monthly products, and having the possibility to link multiple year-ahead monthly products. They also highlight that block bids entail a risk of higher prices.

On the shadow auctions diverging views are expressed, in line with opinions recently shared on MESC.

### 3. Actions to take

<b>Actions closed during this meeting</b>	<b>By</b>	<b>Finalised</b>
ALEGrO: evaluate how to monitor performance in operations	G. Etienne / B. Genêt	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
System operations: timing new proposal for market suspension rules	P. Van Meirhaeghe	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

<b>Actions</b>	<b>By</b>	<b>Due date</b>	<b>Finalised</b>
Intraday: evaluate impact of new access to German ID market	J-M Reghem	Next WG EMD-SO	<input type="checkbox"/>
Emergency and restoration: legal consequence not meeting deadline black-out proof phones	P. Van Meirhaeghe	Next WG EMD-SO	<input type="checkbox"/>

### 4. Date for next meeting

To be defined. The Users' Group will be informed in due time.