

Meeting report

WG EMD-SO

Date	31 st March 2022
Organiser	Carton Filip (ELIA), Matthys-Donnadieu James (ELIA)

Participants	Attended	Excused
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Van Campenhout Steve (ELIA)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Koen Vandermot (Elia)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Thomas Van Den Broucke (ELIA)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Report

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1. Agenda

European Market Design (10:00 – 12:00)

- Core FB DA: EXT // run results – presentations by Elia (Steve) and CREG (Nico)
- 70% MACZT Compliance Report – 2021 – presentation by CREG (Nico)
- Intraday Market evolution: Status, statistics and planning (Jean-Michel)

System Operations (12:00 – 13:00)

- Operational report 2021 (Filip/Bernard)
- MinRAM results 2021 + 360° (Filip/Bernard)
- Ukraine synchronization (Filip/Bernard)

2. Report

J. Matthys-Donnadieu opens the meeting by welcoming all participants. The minutes of meeting from the previous meeting are approved. Follow up action points of previous meeting will be discussed in the agenda points today.

Core FB DA: EXT // run results – presentations by Elia (Steve) and CREG (Nico)

- N. Schoutteet presents CREG analysis of the EXT // run results and insights gained. Some concerns were shared on stability of the Ext // run, concerning capacities made available. Also comparison of Core Ext // run results vs CWE reality were discussed.
- S. Van Campenhout presents Elia's insights on the Core Ext // run. A more in depth discussion was held on concerning situations where cross border capacities are restricted (Default Flow Based Parameters and low/zero capacity for Intraday).
- A good and extensive discussion was held on the results shown in which several market parties expressed they are extremely worried. There is already much pressure on the price signal in current market circumstances. They do not question the goal/objective of Core, yet they see the risks of too frequent low capacities and do not see tangible proof that the stability will be solved by the go-live on 20/04. Creating additional pressure in the market coupling due to system/process issues should be avoided. The parties see this as very valid concerns and call upon Core project parties to not go lightly over the go/no-go decision which is in the end the project's responsibility
- CREG shares these concerns. Together with Elia, CREG took already many efforts in the past months to share concerns, highlight issues, explain them to several parties.
- J. Matthys-Donnadieu confirms Elia is on the same page. He calls upon market parties to voice their concern also formally in written form to help Core project make sound decisions in the interest of a good market functioning
- B. Genet explains many Core parties are focused on the legal aspect of going live, and are aware of ACER's claim expressed in Core CG Mar 29 that delaying go-live would do more damage than going live with the results as known today.

- Market parties very strongly disagree with ACER's claim and find it a very surprising statement. B. Genet agrees that the results indicate the benefits when it goes well are outweighed by the risks when it goes wrong
- J. Matthys-Donnadieu concludes that "Considering the elements presented, Belgian parties call upon the Core project to reconsider the go-live in Apr 2022".
- *Last section of Elia presentation on Core Ext // run could not be presented due to time constraints.*
 - *It explains the local validation process, which becomes more important in the Core capacity calculation process. This is the reason why Elia wants to share and explain it.*
 - *Will be put on the agenda for the next meeting.*

70% MACZT Compliance Report – 2021 – presentation by CREG

- N. Schoutteet explains its results of the compliance report, where it assessed the compliance of Elia on the legal obligation of the 70% requirement rule. Loop flows have significant impact on Elia being able to provide 70% on CNE. CREG stated that Third country flows can be included in the compliance and are part of the market flows. Not including UK flows into the market flows for the 70% compliance, would lead to very high incompliance for Elia. CREG is of the opinion that this is not Belgium's/CREG/Elia's choice, so is convinced they are part of it for the compliance. This is transparently shared, results as well as CREGs position on this.

Following questions were raised

- J. Le Page: when will BE not need a derogation anymore?
 - o N. Schoutteet : we expect LFs to reduce following implementation of DE action plan
 - o Steve Van Campenhout: DE action alone will not be enough => polluter pays principle needs to be in place cf. link with Core RDCT & cost sharing methodologies
- J. Le Page: what will CREG now do with the conclusion of X% non-compliance?
 - o N. Schoutteet clarifies that due to local & temporary nature Belgium is not in a context of structural congestions, which will enforce bidding zone splits etc

Intraday Market evolution: Status, statistics and planning

- J-M. Reghem explains statistics on Intraday market evolutions in Belgium.
- Question N. Schoutteet, finds observations very interesting and asks if they are available publically.. Would be worth to share this also publically.
 - o J-M. Reghem replies that the data comes from the SIDC reporting to NRAs but probably not all of this is publically available

Operational report 2021

F. Carton presents highlights of the NCC report for 2021 and provides background on most relevant sections.



- M. Van Bossuyt ask if flows on NLL or Alegro are similar for 2022 as seen in 2021 with current tense market circumstances.
 - o F. Carton states that observations of Q1 report can be shared in next presentation
- R. Nilsson asks via the chat: *"Is it not fairly hard to draw conclusions on "usage" (flow) of Alegro given the significant internal German CT that regularly occur after SDAC and (during or after) SIDC? Also, more importantly the observed usage might indicate possible "higher usage" then what FB parameters for SDAC may allow for.*
 - o S. Van Campenhout replies in the chat that these are real time data, which are different then de DA CC and DA market allocated flows.
- M. Van Bossuyt raises a question on the total amount of load covered by renewable energy. Is this sometimes a (too) high amount, and can this create issues risks for the stability of the grid
 - o F. Carton replies that issues for the grid are not expected in short term. But Elia can share insights on grid stability / harmonics in a high RES world in a next WG EM& SO call. It was concluded it is not an urgent action, but good to keep it on the radar.

Min Ram incentive results 2021

- K. Vandermot explains the results of the Min Ram incentive.
- M. Van Bossuyt, questions Elia on the observation that values higher than 20% are observed. What is the cause of this?
 - K. Vandermot explains, Impact of the action plans of the CEP compliance is clearly playing a role. Elia influence on other countries is limited, but the impact on internal CNEs is clearly visible.
 - F. Carton further clarifies that this is indeed a positive story and that these actions are positive.

Ukraine synchronization

F. Carton explains shortly the actions taken to ensure the synchronizations of Ukraine into the continental frequency system.

Concluded actions during the meeting:

- Market parties present in the meeting/call to express their concerns on Core go live also formally in written form
- Elia to present in next WG EM-SO meeting the slides on local validation process
- Elia to share insights on grid stability / harmonics in a high RES world (no urgency, keep it on the radar)
- Elia to share statistics on flows on NLL and Alegro for Q1 2022 compared to 2021.
- Elia to see if the Intraday statistics, can also be shared publically
- Elia to present an update of the black-out proof phones in next WG EMD-SO meeting