

# ENTSO-E MC Meeting

Date: Tuesday, 10 May 2022

## Minutes

### 1. *Approval of the agenda and minutes*

The MC Chair opens the meeting and welcomes the participants. The quorum is met (82% of MC members are present or represented). He asks the new MC members to introduce themselves.

The Chair asks if the minutes of the previous meeting and the agenda can be approved by the MC and All TSOs.

1.1 Draft agenda is approved.

1.2 [All TSOs minutes](#) and [MC minutes](#) of the last meeting are approved.

### 2. *Updates on internal/ external developments*

#### 2.1 **Assembly/Board meeting: Board meeting took place on the 28 April 2022.**

The Chair report on the Assembly welcomed the reporting on the 2050 vision paper.

#### 2.2 **Establishment of the Information and Communication Technologies Committee (ICTC)**

#### 2.3 **Energy Community Task Force**

In the context of the adaptations to Energy Community Contracting Parties for network codes and guidelines, the first technical workshop took place in Vienna on 5 May in a hybrid format. ENTSO-E representatives attended. Energy Community Secretariat and the European Commission presented the main changes to the network codes and guidelines, and ENTSO-E and other parties had the chance to react and provide feedback. The second workshop will take place on 24 May.

#### 2.4 **Resource Planning & Gaps – MC and Committees, Overview and Status**

The Secretariat explains that the pilot exercise to map out the gaps and resources needs in the context of AWP 2023-2027 legal mandates has been finalised. Upon the request from the Assembly, ENTSO-E has approached the ACER Board of Regulators to open a dialogue on cost recovery.

## 2.5 Meeting in Stuttgart with ACER

The Chair explains that an informal meeting was held with ACER. CEP70% and bidding zones seem to be the priorities for ACER.

## 4. WG MI

### **Core CCR Flow Based Day Ahead Market Coupling Go-live [for info]**

The Chair of the Core SG presents the status of the Core Flow based day ahead market coupling project. After the postponement of Go-live, the Chair explains, that the Core TSOs have worked intensively to overcome the remaining challenges. The outcome of this work was a joint agreement between Core TSOs on targets to be reach and a new Go-live date, 8 June 2022.

The Core SG Chair presents what measures have been agree among Core TSOs to address the challenges. Among these, are a further improvement of the operational stability, which has already been achieved. In addition, the Core TSOs, are working on methods to reduce the hours and borders without ATC capacity in intraday to levels that corresponds to historical values. The last measure is closely monitoring cases with RAM below 20%.

The Core SG Chair emphasizes the complexity and the scale of the project, that is reaching its final stages. He explains the ongoing actions towards and after Go-live, and that he sees all parties being confident that a Go-live will be achieved timely.

No comments are raised.

## 6. WG RMI

### **Market and Balancing Reports 2022**

#### Market Report 2022

The RMI Convenor presents the MC review feedback received, the key messages as well as the proposed option to adapt the advocacy section to the latest ACER assessment. He states that no controversial feedback was received.

The MC discusses the options to update the advocacy section and agrees on the ‘Option 1’ proposed to adapt the chapter 2.3. ‘TSO’s view on increase of electricity wholesale prices in the EU’ by

- adding a short summary of ACER’s assessment and citing main findings in the ENTSO-E Market Report (please see presentation back-up)
- communicating ENTSO-E’s explicit position in line with communication strategy approved by Main Office Holders

If the ENTSO-E position should be updated in the board meeting of June, the chapter will be updated accordingly.

#### Balancing Report 2022

The WG AS Vice Convener presents the MC review feedback received, the key messages as well the TSO submission status regarding National Executive Summaries.

She states that from the review of the Balancing Report 2022 conducted last week no controversial feedback was received. One MC representative asks whether feedback on data inaccuracies will be taken into account. The WG AS Vice Convener confirms that this will be taken into account when Section 5 is being finalised later in the process.

She highlights that until today, 18 out of 38 TSO's have not yet submitted the National Executive Summaries according to the Article 60(1) of the EB Regulation. MC members are encouraged to submit their National Executive Summaries by 18 May end of the day. Initially, all WG AS members were requested to submit the National Executive Summary for their corresponding TSO by Monday, 25 April 2022. The deadline extension to 10 May did not provide the desired result.

In order to not risk the publication process, all remaining TSOs are requested to provide their National Executive Summaries by the 18 May EOD and follow the instructions of the latest email sent to the WG AS team members.

## 7. SGT& DI

The MC representative in the Steering Group Transmission & Distribution Interface (StG T&DI) presents the latest update on the regulatory framework for Demand-Side Flexibility (DSF). He reports that ACER has not started the Public Consultation on the draft Framework Guidelines on Demand-Side Flexibility on 9 May as was announced. The original start of the public consultation was already postponed from 8 April to 9 May 2022. He further explains that the StG T&DI will coordinate two deliverables regarding DSF in the coming months. There will be a response to the ACER public consultation on framework guidelines prepared by the existing task force of the StG T&DI in coordination with relevant Committees. WG MDRES and WG AS are invited to contribute to the development of this ENTSO-E answer to the public consultation. The second deliverable coordinated by the StG T&DI will be a Key Policy Issues Paper (KPIP) which will elaborate clear roles and responsibilities between ENTSO-E bodies, notably the lead Committee and the StG T&DI.

**7.1** The MC requests WG MDRES and WG AS to contribute to the development of ENTSO-E answer to the public consultation on the draft Framework Guidelines on DSF.

## 8. ITC

The MC Chair briefly summarises the current situation with regards to the approval of ITC losses costs 2022 and highlights the implications of the ongoing Assembly escalation procedure.

The MC discusses the latest proposal presented by TenneT NL and decides to ask WG Economic Framework to assess the proposed compromise further. Based on this assessment, the MC may make a recommendation to the ad hoc group tasked with preparing the Assembly decision.

The WG EF convenor explains further the implications of the Assembly escalation process and highlights the impact of the delay in approving the relevant schedules on settlements and perimeter contribution collection.

He furthermore reiterates that ex-post settlements remain a possibility, especially given Art 49 of EU Reg 2019/943. Finally, he reminds MC Members that applying a methodology for case(ii) countries could be done by end-2022 but applying it to all ITC Parties (both case(i) and case(ii)) may take much longer, realistically several years.

The MC proposes to ask the LRG to investigate the case for ex-post settlements, especially given the abovementioned provisions of 2019/943.

An additional MC Call will be organised in the following weeks, such that the MC can make a consolidated recommendation to the ad hoc group tasked with preparing the Assembly decisions on ITC.

**8.1.1.** The MC acknowledges ITC process for 2022.

## 10. WG MD RES

The WG MDRES convenor summarises the key messages on high prices and market design developed by the WG, taking into account the previous MC discussion and the feedback from the Assembly. The messages are supported by MC members. Some MC members state that they would have preferred stronger messages but that for the sake of compromise they support the current version presented. One member proposes to include a reference to increasing costs for congestion management borne by TSOs as a result of high electricity prices.

**10.2.** The MC supports the draft internal key messages on high prices and market design and asks the WG MDRES to take into account in its further work the MC comments raised at the meeting as well as the recent ACER assessment.

## 11. PT Vision 2050

The Secretariat representative presents the status of the project 2050 Vision, summarising the main comments received by Committees during the written commenting phase, with a specific focus on the market design part. He then reminds members that a dedicated internal webinar will take place on 17 May to discuss the updated version of the paper prior to launching Board approval. No comments are raised.

**11.1.** The MC welcomes the Draft Position Paper ENTSO-E VISION: A Power System for a Carbon Neutral Europe and takes note of the main comments received by Committees.

## 12. WG MIT

### 12.1 Long-Term TP Budget Overview

The WG MIT convener informs the MC members on the long-term TP Budget planning. He updates the MC on the discussions with the Resource committee on the contingency part of the budget. The WG MIT convener reports that to ensure that TP in the upcoming years can accommodate new unforeseen publication requirements stemming from new regulations WG MIT proposed a higher contingency (10% of the budget instead of fixed 50k) for the TP budget. However, the Resources committee concluded that the best effort should be made in budget planning, to include the developments into the Annual Work Program and asked to keep the contingency same as in previous years. An MC member questions the rationale behind Resource committee's conclusion to which the MC Chair responds that the reasoning behind it is not to have volatile budget planning.

The WG MIT convener highlights the low contingency will result in no flexibility at all to accommodate unforeseen change requests, publication requirements that have happened every year and it will be impossible to sufficiently respond to the feedback received via the Member Survey on TP. Hence, WG MIT convener kindly asks all other Working Group Conveners to inform him by mid-May if they foresee publication requirements that are not reflected in the AWP and TP Budget 2023.

Moreover, he mentions the discussion in the WG MIT on reviving Statistical Data Portal (SDP) and the WG's need to receive a decision on reviving SDP from the Board/Assembly. Therefore, the WG MIT convener proposes two options for the budget with and without SDP to be presented to the Board and Assembly. One MC member mentions not having sufficient resources to allocate for SDP work and the need to have the list of data needed for SDP. The list of data is included in the ENTSO-E newsletter (week 23-27 May). The MC vice-chair mentions SDP being an important strategic point and the value of having a consolidated factsheet using TP data. Another MC member agrees SDP being an important strategic point but deems important having the decision from the Board/Assembly to revive the project.

**12.1.** The MC approves both Option I and Option II of Long-term TP Budget Plan and asks the Board to decide on the strategic direction with regards to the Statistical Data Portal.

**12.2.** To ensure sufficient resources, all Working Group Conveners are asked to review the TP part of the ENTSO-E Annual Work Program and the TP Budget Planning 2023. Conveners are kindly asked to inform the WG MIT Convener by mid-May if they foresee publication requirements that are not reflected in the AWP and TP Budget 2023.

### 12.2. TP Re-design

The WG MIT convener informs the MC members that the topic needs to be omitted from the MC meeting due to last-minute need raised by Dc to rediscuss the topic in the Digital committee (12/05). Therefore, no decision is proposed for this topic. As for the next steps, the topic will be brought back for MC decision in an upcoming MC meeting after the Digital committee discusses the recommendation they would like to propose to the MC.

### 12.3. The CEP art. 50 Publication Requirements

The WG MIT convener also reports the outcome of the investigation that ENTSO-E Secretariat did by approaching the European Commission and requesting clarifications on the publication requirements stemming from the CEP art. 50. He informs the MC members that the response from the EC was that there is no clarity on the publication requirements for the flexibility of a system. Therefore, internal WG MIT assessment has been initiated, which concluded that availability of flexibility can be interpreted as all the

available balancing bids per ISP. WG MIT convener also mentions the WG concluded all activated/selected balancing bids will correspond to the “actual demand for the availability of flexibility”, which is the direct flexibility. Regarding the indirect flexibility (e.g., consumers response to price signals) and the forecast of the available flexibility, WG MIT deemed these not relevant.

**12.4.** The MC endorses considering the CEP art.50 requirements as already covered, as balancing volume is published, and a forecast of balancing volumes is not relevant.

#### **12.4 Transparency Platform as Inside Information Platform (IIP)**

**12.5.** The MC endorses the approval of the BRS for IIP v1r0.

## **14 EG CIM**

**14.1** The MC approves the Harmonised Role Model 2022 for publication, subject to proof reading, format and consistency checks.

**14.2** The MC approves the - Outage Transparency Process IG v5.2, Other Transparency Market Information document UML model and schema v1.0, Central Transparency Platform – IG for European Platforms v1.3 and Capacity document UML model and schema v1.2 for publication, subject to proof reading, format and consistency checks.

**14.3** The MC approves the Common platform for manually activated restoration reserves (MARI) IG v1.4 for publication, subject to proof reading, format and consistency checks.

## **15 AOB**

**New Membership changes [no discussion]**