Future role of ACER within the Energy Union

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Energy security, solidarity and trust

A fully-integrated Internal Energy Market

Energy efficiency/moderation of energy demand

Decarbonisation of the economy

Research and Innovation
Functioning of ACER and ENTSOs will be strengthened ....

ACER currently acts primarily through recommendations and opinions. It has very limited decision-making rights.....

EU-wide regulation of the single market should be strengthened, through a significant reinforcement of the powers and independence of ACER to carry out regulatory functions at the European level in order to enable it to effectively oversee the development of the internal energy market and the related market rules as well as to deal with all cross-border issues ..... 

Examples: decisions relating to new infrastructure affecting more than 2 Member States, on exemptions from physical reverse flows in line with the Security of Gas Supply Regulation, cross-border cost allocations under the TEN-E Regulation or similar.....
The new Energy Market Design

Communication from the Commission launching the public consultation process on a new energy market design


- Enhanced role for ACER to oversee functioning of the integrated markets and cross border infrastructure
- In line with the increased cooperation of system operators, the powers and independence of ACER may need to be reinforced so that it is able to carry out regulatory functions at European level where needed. ACER could then arbitrate in regional and EU level disputes...
- Could include power to adopt directly applicable and binding decisions on EU-level initiatives and cross-border issues and introduction of enforcement powers to ensure compliance with such decisions....
- Review of roles of ENTSO-E and ACER gives opportunity to assess the process for the network codes
- May also require integrating entities not subject to regulatory oversight, such as power exchanges
- The increasing link between retail and wholesale markets will have to be reflected in the regulatory framework...
ACER views on the new Energy Market Design

A new governance (1): A more robust and effective regulatory decision making process

Internal energy market cross-border issues addressed on the basis of an effective, coordinated regulatory approach

Improve effectiveness & efficiency of regulatory framework and of the decision-making process

Empower the Agency to take decisions directly, otherwise assigned to “all NRAs” - for the approval of other EU-wide subsidiary instruments, of similar regulatory nature, including those required by other Guidelines
A new challenge in NRA Cooperation: the CACM Guideline

Approval by all 28 NRAs (or by ACER after 6 months)

(a) the plan on joint performance of Market Coupling Operator function
(b) the capacity calculation regions
(c) the generation and load data provision methodology
(d) the common grid model methodology
(e) a harmonised capacity calculation methodology
(f) back-up methodology
(g) the algorithm submitted by NEMOs, including the TSOs’ and NEMOs’ sets of requirements for algorithm development
(h) products that can be taken into account by NEMOs in the single day-ahead and intraday coupling process
(i) the maximum and minimum prices
(j) the intraday capacity pricing methodology
(k) the intraday cross-zonal gate opening and intraday cross-zonal gate closure times
(l) the day-ahead firmness deadline
(m) the congestion income distribution methodology
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Approval by the regional NRAs (or by ACER after 6 m)

| (a) the common capacity calculation methodology |
| (b) decisions on the introduction and postponement of flow-based calculation and on exemptions |
| (c) the methodology for coordinated redispatching and countertrading |
| (d) the common methodologies for the calculation of scheduled exchanges |
| (e) the fallback procedures |
| (f) complementary regional auctions |
| (g) the conditions for the provision of explicit allocation |
| (h) the redispatching or countertrading cost sharing methodology |

ACER decides in accordance with art. 8(1) of Reg. 713/2009
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A new governance (2): More robust advisory competence for ACER

ACER formulates recommendations:
To assist NRAs and market players in sharing good practices in accordance with its work programme or at request of EC

ACER provides opinions:
On compliance of NRA decisions with relevant legislation at the request of NRAs or of EC

ACER provides opinions:
On application of Guidelines at the request of NRAs encountering difficulties

Enhance these roles by extending ACER’s opinions and recommendations on its own initiative
**ENTSOs role strengthened to act in the interest of the Union; subject to rules efficiently overcoming potential disagreements; effective regulatory oversight**

**Also**
Regional Security Coordinators (RSCs) key part of the future power market; a roadmap for the geographic scope of RSCs to be extended; the role of RSCs enhanced and clearer

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<th><strong>ENTSOs subject to clear general decision-making rules</strong></th>
<th><strong>ENTSOs to operate in the Union’s interest distinct from interests of TSOs</strong></th>
<th><strong>Stronger ENTSOs statutory &amp; financial independence from member TSOs, direct funding</strong></th>
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A new governance (3): Effective regulatory oversight of ENTSOs
Governance of power exchanges is important. NEMOs must cooperate within a formal framework; under regulatory oversight; take coordinated decisions according to transparent rules.

| Require NEMOs to establish a common body to cooperate | Establish clear general rules for the NEMOs’ coordinated decision making and their implementation | Effective regulatory oversight of the common NEMO body and ACER power to issue binding decisions, and impose sanctions for non-compliance with ACER decisions or, with NEMO tasks |
Thank you for your attention

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