Traders’ views

Are three platforms a barrier to efficient trading?

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Background

Objective: to improve access to hub-to-hub transportation capacity

- Convergence of terms
- Coordinated auctions
- Bundled products
- Ability to buy on same platform

EU gas cross-border IPs physical and contractual capacity utilisation – 2014 %

Source: IEA, NRA data (2014) and ACER calculations.

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Objective: to improve access to hub-to-hub transportation capacity
How well is it working?

Pros
• Three capacity platforms are better than many
• Coordinated auctions
• Improvements in usability

Cons
• One capacity platform is better than three
• No rules at borders cross platform
• Underlying products not convergent
Importance for the region

EU MS assessed sourcing prices – 2014 average €/MWh

Access to liquid hubs depends on access to capacity
Conclusions

- CAM and CMP are still being implemented in EU
- Things are moving in the right direction, but are not complete
- For EnComm Contracting Parties to benefit from increasing liquidity in surrounding markets, improved access to transportation capacity is essential
- Common products, services and platforms are the best way to achieve this