SEE TF – TSOs initiative for market integration

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There have been integration projects between MSs and non-MSs for years, but still there is no successfully implemented project.

Challenges coming from the future green agenda, increasingly require a well-functioning European market that shall ensure sufficient level of efficiency and security of supply.

Existence of transmission bottlenecks in Central Europe hinders the efficient use of production resources between MSs.

Taking into account the specifics of SEE region and relative isolation, the common EU market can be achieved only if market integration covers also non-member states.

It is important to find a way for non-MSs to become part of the single day-ahead market or at least to make the respective steps forward clear.

TSOs and NEMOs are the parties that actually implement the technical part of the market integration projects, but the conditions for the successful implementation are within the scope of responsibilities of national institutions (ministries, NRAs).

SEE TF should clarify obstacles from the TSOs perspective, raise problems and seek solutions.
Creation and activities

- ENTSO-E SEE Executive Webinar took place on April 16, 2020
SEE TSOs agree on the creation of a Task Force with a mandate to support and coordinate the TSO input to the SEE region market integration

- TF organization
  - TF support provided directly by a TSO volunteer with the support of ENTSO-E
  - SEE TF members include 14 TSOs: APG, CGES, EMS, ELES, ESO, HOPS, IPTO, KOSTT, MAVIR, MEPSO, NOSBiH, OST, Terna and Transelectrica

- EC- ENTSO-E workshop took place on April 22, 2020 with key points to the WB6 market integration, and focused on:
  - Confirmation on the “smart compliance option” and support to market coupling
  - Clarity about any legal constraints for WB6 countries on early implementation of CACM
  - CESEC as a basis for discussion of relevant political and other issues
  - Possible SDAC membership
  - Involvement of NRAs and ACER
  - Other obstacles including CO2 taxation
SEE TF main tasks

- As a result of EC – ENTSO-E workshop, SEE TF prepared and sent letter to the EC in order to obtain necessary assurance on market coupling projects with WB6 countries
- Create Terms of Reference of the TF and Roadmap
- Provide an update of the Mr. J. Kekkonen`s report on market coupling from 2017 as base for Gap Analysis of the implementation of the Day ahead market coupling in WB6 (including the role of NRAs)
- Develop Roadmap and project plan for day-ahead market coupling
- Develop proposals of “bilateral” contracts between relevant parties and proposals of indicators showing the evolution towards the “full compliance”
- Report on a regular basis on progress to relevant ENTSO-E structures (ENTSO-E SEE Assembly members and respective ENTSO-E representatives)
- Other tasks arising in the course of SEE TF work
Cooperation

A regular working-level cooperation between SEE TF and EC, involving EnC Secretariat is established to discuss market coupling progress in SEE Region.

The cooperation go through the following steps:

- Review of the CESEC Action Plan and identification of problems delaying or hindering individual market coupling projects from the perspective of TSOs
- Stepwise approach including border per border project is being followed
- Guidance to pilot projects (assigning experts to assist where useful) are expected
- Any legal constraints for non-MS countries on early implementation of CACM, including a possible membership in SDAC will be discussed and clarified
- Ensure the commitment of NRAs, and the involvement of ACER are expected
- Use CESEC meetings to report status and discuss obstacles at the relevant political level
THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION!

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