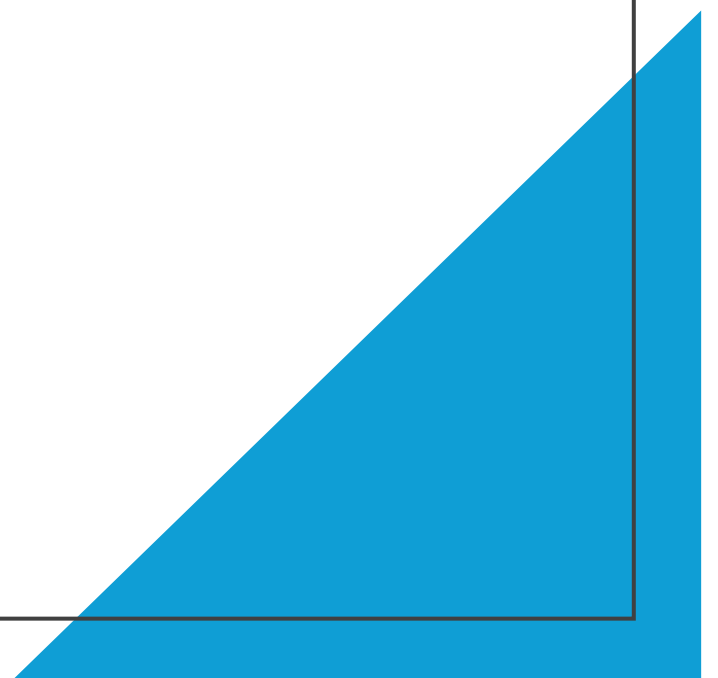




**BURSA ROMÂNĂ DE MĂRFURI**  
ROMANIAN COMMODITIES EXCHANGE

# BRM updates 2024

Gas Forum Vienna - 17<sup>th</sup> of September



# Spot Market evolution

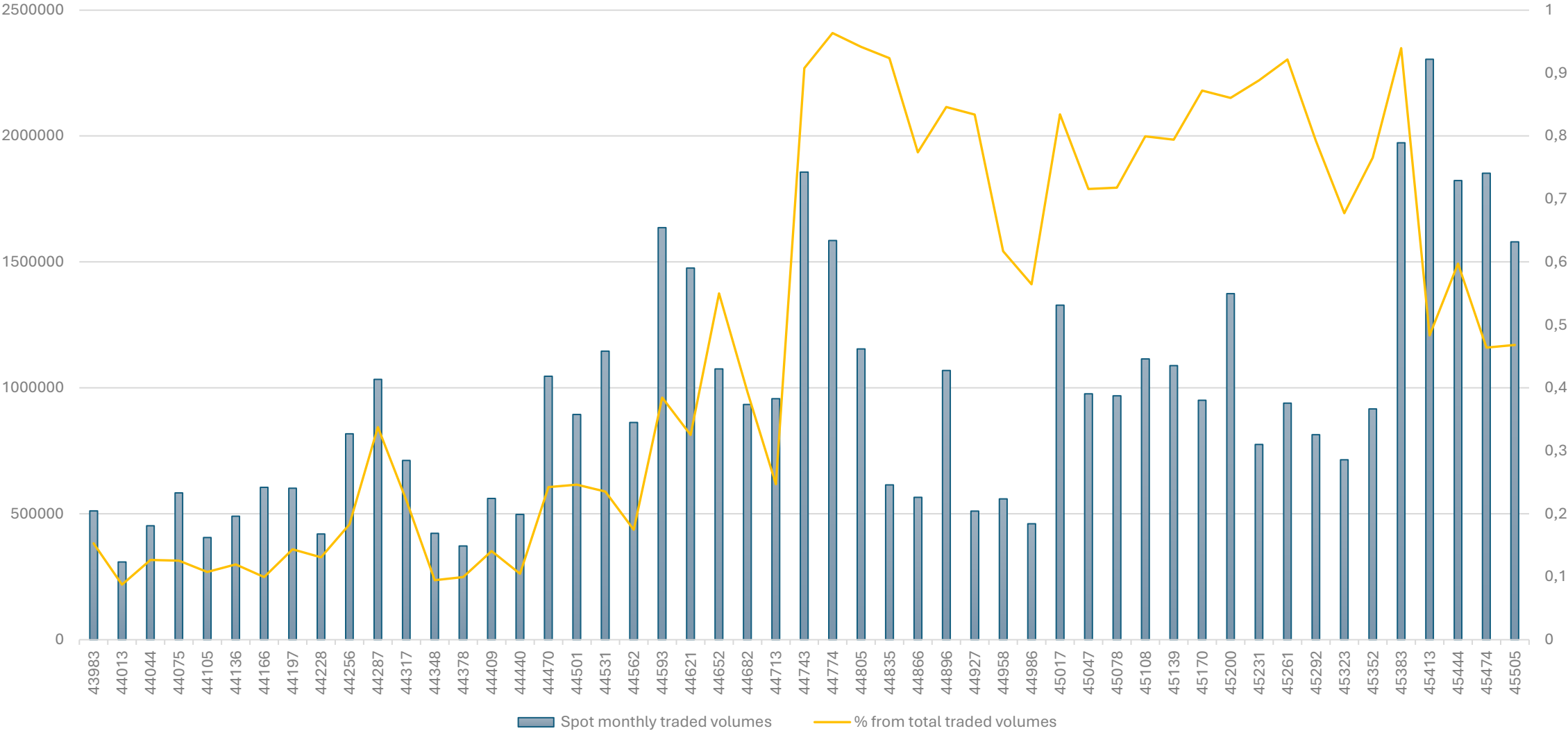
Volumes on spot market growing  
“relatively continuous” – reaches currently  
around 60-70 GWh/day

Market regulated prices and windfall  
taxes imposed in Romania in the energy crises  
period created from the beginning of 2022 an  
anomaly where the spot market weighted  
volume “skyrocketed” to around 90% of the  
total traded volumes on BRM platforms

Partial deregulation started in March  
2024 to reverse things back to normal but still  
far from what should be in an open market



Traded volumes on spot market (MWh)



# Forward Market evolution

Volumes on forward market growing “heavily affected ” – in the overregulated period since by the governmental measures to fix prices and windfall taxes were imposed – from early 2022

“Bright spots” emerge since May 2024 and volumes picks up significantly merely because of 98% tax on trading drops to 90%

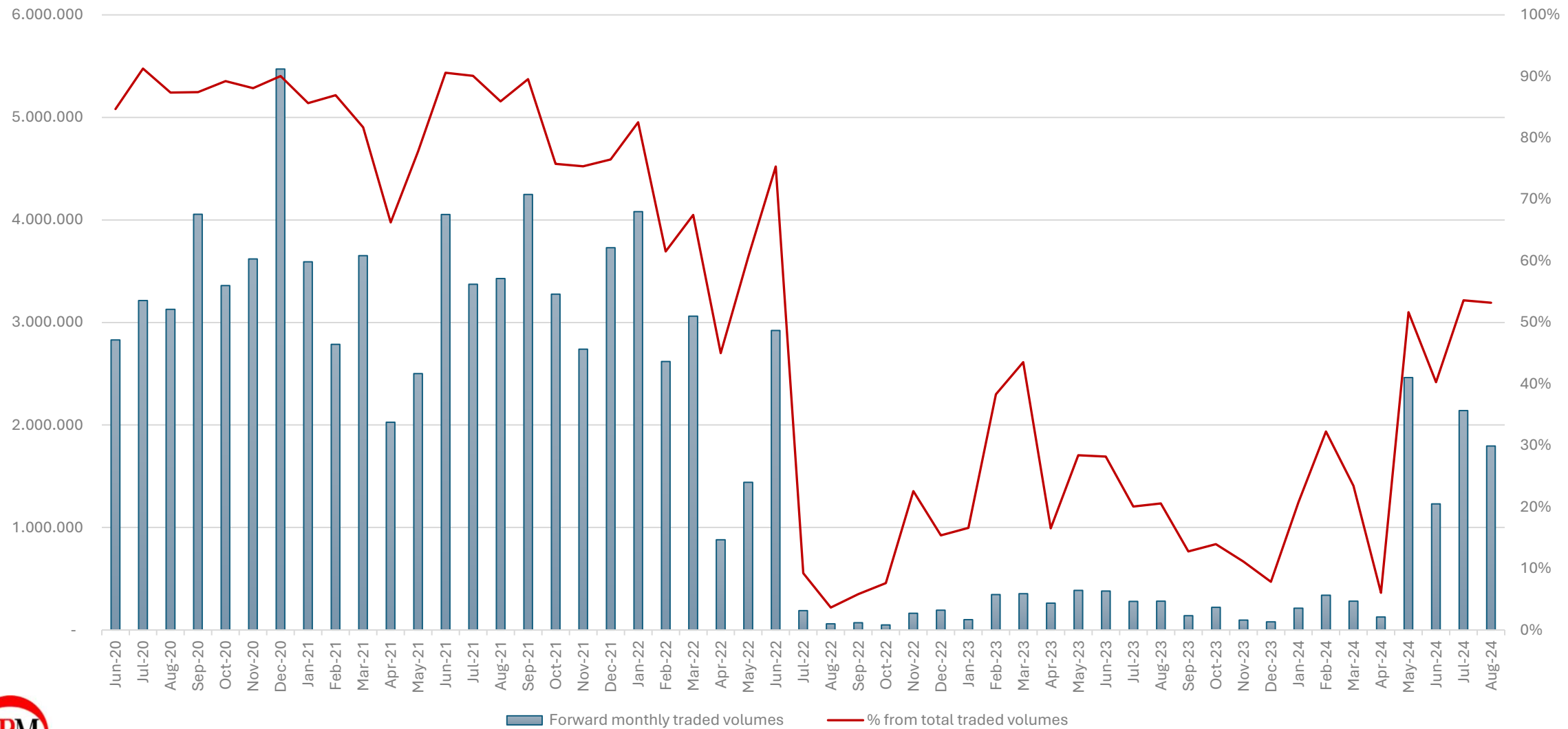
Weighted volumes of forward gain traction in the second half of 2024 as deregulation in place.

Cleared trading becomes the main way to deal the local market

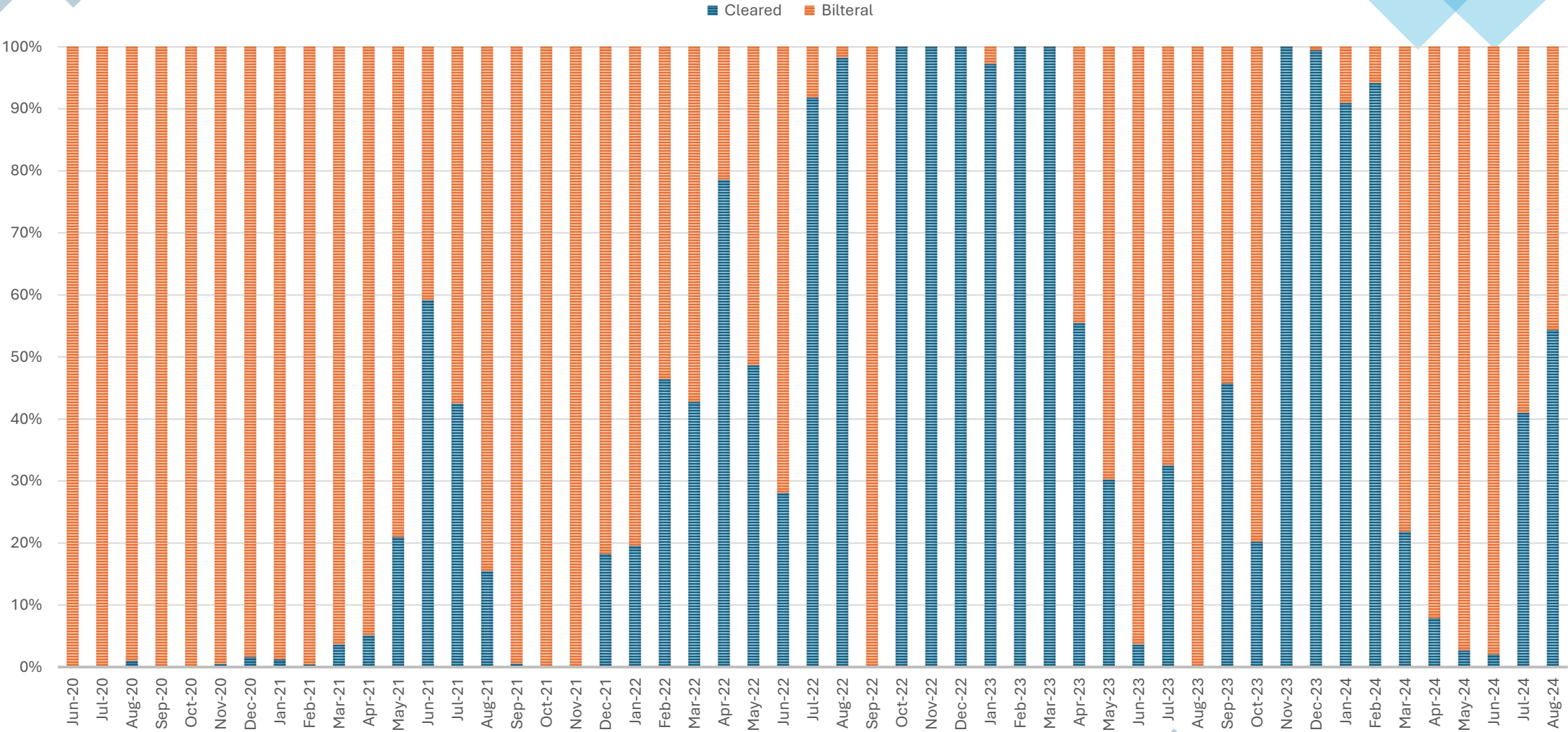
...looking forward for the Q1 2025 when we hope deregulation to unfold completely



Traded volumes on forward market (MWh)



# FORWARD CLEARED TRADES



# Impact of the over regulated gas market



## The GOOD

**Evan the slight decrease of the trading tax from 98% to 90% ( still extreme) has vindicated the market driven theory (blamed for not functioning by decision makers) as volumes picked up since spring 2024**



## The BAD

**Still in place heavily regulated measures, such as:**

- significant tax on trading activity**
- obligation of producers to sell directly to the suppliers with final consumers at fixed prices**
- the off taken quantities from the market including from the still valid GRP program**



## The UGLY

**With elections in place in November the spectrum of releasing the full market opening as written in the current legislation from Q1 2025 – still not fully certain**

# Regional trading and clearing integration

Following the exercise run through the SEEGAS and mainly SEEGAS 2.0 related to trading and clearing integration which was not concluded in an actual implementation and the need to provide the trading community active in Romania new tools for efficient trading and clearing solutions, including spread trading

BRM has continued the development **both geographical** via Moldova and later on in Bulgaria **and technological** by adding new trading solutions



**BRM ACTIVITY IN MOLDOVA  
HAS INCREASED STEADILY  
IN THE LAST 2 YEARS**



**BRM ACTIVITY IN BULGARIA  
IS EXPECTED TO START  
SOON AS AUTHORISATION  
COMPLETED**



# Technical updates



BRM entered into an agreement with Trayport to implement Joule for its clients



The estimated launch to take place in Q4 2024



BRM will keep its matching engine and current technical infrastructure in place

# Moldova's Forward Market evolution

Since April, volumes on BRM forward market are growing due to Moldovagaz's decision to use BRM platform- approx.. 6 TWh at this day.

It is expected to reach 8 TWh until the end of 2024.

The number of participants to GFW increased to 14 participants from a total of 25 licensed companies.

April 2024- the launch of OTC/Bilateral Contract platform dedicated to industrial consumers- approx.. 50 k MWh at this moment.

Already are programmed to be traded another 180 k MWh until the end of September, mainly due to the obligation for large companies to procure gas from the liberalized market starting from January 2025.



# Technical updates on BRM Moldova



BRM has finished implementation of the Spot Market platform, in accordance with the signed agreement with VMTG



BRM is ready to launch the SPOT market as soon as strategic components of the wholesale market are ready\* – mainly the balancing market readiness



BRM was certified as a commodity exchange on July 1<sup>st</sup> and operationalised the necessary platforms for other commodities than natural gas.

\* Depending on the needed changes in fiscal legislation and the balancing market.

# Obstacles and solutions for Moldovan Gas Market



More liquidity and competition on the gas market is needed.

A good solution is the recognition by ANRE of natural gas supply/trading licenses issued in the European Union, without the need to register a subsidiary in the Republic of Moldova.



Creation and implementation of the balancing market by VMTG.

BRM has all the technical tools to operationalize this market and can offer it free of charge for VMTG. Romanian collaboration model between BRM & Transgaz can be a good model to follow.



Amending the fiscal legislation to accommodate the central counterparty activities necessary for the spot market.

