Facilitating the electricity market by TenneT

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Balancing the grid

Market integration

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- Cross border capacity allocation → Market coupling
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Principles of the electricity market role TenneT

Regulated activities

- Transport services:
 - Reliable transmission of electricity
 - (newly)build and maintain electricity grid
- System services:
 - Maintain balance between demand and supply of
 - electricity 24 hours per day, 7 days per week

- Mission TenneT
 - Security of supply
 - Facilitating renewable targets
 - Facilitate (European) market integration



Principles of the electricity market

market design



Freedom of the market is limited by:





The European meshed grid with synchronous zones

- The Netherlands are part of the meshed grid of continental Europe
- Equal freqency with synchronous zone
- Stability of frequency is joint responsibility between TSO's
- Balancing is organised per control area
- TenneT is responsible for Control Area the Netherlands

National cornerstones

1. Program Responsibility

- Each connection is part of the portfolio of a Program Responsible Party (PRP)
- Administrative system to settle market transactions
- Physical net position of a PRP

Imbalance PRP

 Difference in consumption and supply at all connection points in the portfolio of a PRP

System imbalance

 Sum of all PRP imbalance, or: the imbalance of the Dutch control area with it the other control areas in the continental European synchronous system



National cornerstones

2. Market for frequency restoration power

- TenneT is Single Buyer
- Bid and offers of frequency restoration power from the market

3. Settlement of imbalance

- Financial incentive for market to remain in balance, or to assist the system to

restore from an imbalance



Balanshandhaving





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Developments

- International Grid Control Cooperation (IGCC) to prevent counter balancing actions between Control Areas.
- Integration of European balancing markets is logical next step after the integration of the wholesale markets.
- De EU Network Code on Balancing gives framework for further harmonisation of balancing markets.
- A pilot between TenneT and Elia (Belgium TSO) studies the possibility towards integration and harmonisation of both balancing markets.

Balancing and the realtime balancing market become more and more European



High voltage grid to facilitate the European market Statnett



Allocation of cross border transmission capacity



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Explicit allocation of cross border capacity: Auction



Limitations of explicit auction at day ahead



Price difference DE - NL (Euros)

Resultats implicit auction CWE region: utilisation of cross border capacity



Results implicit auction CWE region: high level of price convergence





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February 2011

Calculation of cross border transmission capacity ATC methodology



- Zonal model
- Zonal borders are established historically by country borders
- Capacity is calculated on a bilateral basis on borders between bidding zones → ATC methodology



Calculation of cross border transmission capacity

Flow based methodology



- Zonal model
- Coordinated capacity calculation based on common grid model of all TSOs.
- Capacity is calculated on all 'critical' components in the grid, so called 'critical branches'
- Critical branches can be:
 - Crossborder interconnections
 - Internal components





Calculation of cross border transmission capacity Flow based methodology





Challenges in the coming years





Sustainable goals of NL and DE



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The meaning of intermittency

- Integration of intermittent sources creates two serious challenges:
 - Having sufficient generation capacity when wind and solar do not contribute
 - Operating a stable system when conventional does not contribute



Impact on system stability

Product:	Conventional units	Wind	Solar	Needed for:
Active power	• Yes	• Yes	• Yes	Commodity
Reactive power	• Yes	Possible	• No	Voltage control
Flexibility	• Yes	Possible	Limited	Balancing
Inertia	• Yes	Limited	• No	Frequency stability

Key challenge: having the right generator at the right time



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Increase in RES in Germany



- Peak load Germany ~80 GW. Off-peak ~35 GW.
- More and more hours per year RES fulfills complete demand... or even more
- Conventionel power will produce less and less, but remains needed for back-up



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Results implicit auction CWE region: price convergence February 2011





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Priceconvergence DE-NL



- Lowering prices in Germany, even negative prices.
- In 2011 94% of the time equeal prices in NL and DE (pricesconvergence)
- Today: 29% of the time
- Almost always import from Germany
- Shift in merit order in the

Netherlands.

 Conventional power plants more often 'out-of-the money'



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Thanks for your attention

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