

DAY-AHEAD COUPLING: A TANGIBLE ACHIEVEMENT OF THE INTERNAL ELECTRICITY MARKET

On 10th April the first meeting of the EU Single Day-Ahead Coupling Joint Steering Committee (SDAC JSC) took place in Brussels. The JSC gathers 33 TSOs and 16 Nominated Electricity Market Operators (NEMOs) after the signature of the new operational agreement in compliance with the Capacity Allocation and Congestion Management Regulation.

Ole Jacob Hoyland (Statnett) and Rafael Gómez-Elvira (Iberian Market Operator) were elected as Co-Chairs of the SDAC JSC. This European integration platform currently covers the Multi Regional Coupling and the 4M Market Coupling together connecting more than 95% of EU, with around 1500 TWh/year and more than 1 billion €/year of social welfare gain.

Starting in February 2014 as a bottom-up initiative, the Day-Ahead market coupling operation has extended across Europe and with this new phase it has become one of the tangible achievements of the internal electricity market.

In the coming months, the SDAC will pursue merging single day-ahead coupling in EU into single operation, progress implementation of Multi-NEMO arrangements and improving operations reporting and transparency.