

## 16<sup>th</sup> ENTSO-E Advisory Council Meeting

Date: 24 May 2022

Time: 10h00-13h00

Location: ENTSO-E Offices

## Participants

### List of participants

#### Advisory Council Members

1	DICKSON, Giles (Chair)	RES Associations – WindEurope
2	BATTAGLINI, Antonella (Vice-Chair)	RGI
3	ALBA RIOS, Juan Jose	EURELECTRIC
4	HEMETSBERGER, Walburga	RES Associations – SolarPower Europe
5	SCHULZ, Johannes	EFET
6	HOLM, Inger Kristin	IFIEC
7	NILSSON, Rickard	Europex
8	KREUSEL, Jochen	T&D Europe
9	VILLA, Michael	SmartEN
10	GUIDOUM, Yamina	Assistant to the iAC Chair
Apologies	GOYENS, Monique VERMAAT, Peter PETROULA, Dora	BEUC DSO Associations CAN EUROPE

#### Observer members

1.	BALKE, Joachim MARCHI, Annamaria	European Commission (remote) European Commission (for presentation item2)
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#### ENTSO-E

1.	LAFFAYE, Hervé	ENTSO-E President (remote)
2.	CORTINAS, Damian	Member of the Board (remote)
3.	KAENDLER, Gerald	Chair, System Development Committee
4.	LENCZNAR, Valérie-Anne	Adviser to the ENTSO-E President
5.	TWOHIG, Sonya	ENTSO-E Secretariat

6.	LAWLER, Derek	ENTSO-E Secretariat
7.	CAMUS, Claire	ENTSO-E Secretariat

## iAC Minutes

### 1. Welcome and introduction, approval of agenda and minutes of 16th iAC meeting

- The agenda of the meeting was approved.
- The minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

### 2. Strategic discussion on the REPowerEU Plan and the impact of the new energy context on the power industry

- The iAC Members invited representatives of the EU Commission to present the REPowerEU Plan and the Communication ‘Short-Term Energy Market Interventions and Long Term Improvements to the Electricity Market Design - a course for action’.
- iAC Members presented their reflections on both proposals and thanked the European Commission for their presentation. iAC Members highlighted that interventions at national level which lead to an increase of the use of fossil fuels (in particular gas) at times where the consumption thereof should be reduced, set a dangerous precedent.
- iAC Members presented their views on the impact for their respective sectors of the current energy context.
- ENTSO-E explained that possible gas shortages and energy price spikes both impact TSOs. It emphasised the role of interconnections in allowing solidarity between the Member States. It explained that the current situation will impact the ENTSO-E work on its products. Its scenario planning will now include more extreme situations and look at questions of price spikes, energy scarcity, and system resilience. ENTSO-E explained that the scenarios used for the TYNDP2022 could not be adapted retrospectively as this would delay the whole regulatory process linked to the TYNDPs; the new situation will very likely be reflected by a high price sensitivity. ENTSO-E also expressed the view that the distributed scenario seems to be well suited to represent the needed changes. The present context and REPowerEU also reinforce the need for electrification as a mean of efficiency and for faster RES uptake, which even further underline the system needs identified in TYNDP 2022 especially the distributed scenario. In addition, ENTSO-E is working on the 2024 scenarios taking into account the new energy context.
- With regards to the Market Design, ENTSO-E emphasised the need for well-functioning markets and efficient price signals to support the necessary investments for the

energy transition and reminded the meeting that it was working on a long-term vision on market design to be included in the ENTSO-E Vision Project which will be released in October.

- iAC Members stress the need to accelerate investments in grids and innovative technologies and to ensure available grid capacity is used to the fullest. iAC Members also insisted on the need to minimise market disruptions. iAC Members took note of the need for appropriate communication around the possible impact of gas disruption on electricity supply this winter. iAC Members noted the need to increase measures also on the demand side as well as to develop hybrid offshore projects which go beyond the simple point-to-point offshore grid connection, and also onshore hybrid projects combining wind, solar and all storage or other forms of flexibility. iAC Members emphasised the importance of ENTSO-E's work on future scenarios, and of these focusing also on the demand side and on developments in distribution networks.
- 3. Strategic discussion on energy scarcity
- iAC Members emphasised the importance of the cooperation between transmission and distribution and the need for a swift process with regards to a new European network code on demand side flexibility. ENTSO-E pointed out that the planned network code on DSF will have an impact on other existing network codes and that the speed with which the draft cybersecurity network code was submitted was ensured by all the preparatory work carried out by the Smart Grid Task Force.
- ENTSO-E agreed that demand side flexibility potential should be used to the fullest to help mitigate energy scarcity but that other types of flexibility available for longer periods of time are also needed. iAC Members emphasised the need to make flexibility attractive for providers and to remove market barriers. They also insisted on the need to incentivise energy savings.
- ENTSO-E explained that it wishes to communicate on the issue of energy scarcity starting in June with the release of its Summer Outlook which will include messages for the winter. iAC agreed to provide support in raising awareness amongst their constituencies on energy scarcity. A communication plan should be developed by entso-e shared with the iAC members to receive inputs on joint outreach and communication activities
- iAC Members agreed to share by email proposals for joint initiatives by email as due to timing there was no possibility to address this question within the meeting.