
Assembly Meeting

Date: Thursday, 10 December 2015

Time: 10.30 – 15.00 h

Place: ENTSO-E premises, avenue de Cortenbergh 100, 1000 Brussels, 6th Floor

MINUTES

1. Verification of attendance, quorum, voting rights - Approval of the agenda

The President welcomes participants to the ENTSO-E Assembly meeting and also the new representatives of TSOs, who attend the Assembly for the first time.

Decisions

- The quorum is verified since the representatives in attendance hold 93.87% of the first part of the voting rights, and 87.92% of the second part of the voting rights of the Association. The attendance form is annexed to these minutes (Appendix 1).
- The agenda is approved.

2. External speaker and discussion

The President welcomes Florian Ermacora, Head of Unit “Wholesale Markets Electricity & Gas” at DG Energy.

Florian Ermacora thanks for the invitation which is very timely as 2016 will be a very busy year; by the end of 2016 EC expects to release its proposals to reform the IEM. He emphasises one of the big achievements of 3rd package is the institutional integration of TSOs and that ENTSO-E is a success story. He discusses the salient points of the forthcoming proposals with regards to integrated balancing markets, capacity mechanisms requiring adequacy assessments, and removal of price caps. With regards to the regional approach, EC wishes to see the least number of regions that is technically feasible. European Commission perceives as indispensable ENTSO-E’s “know how” on the consultations to follow.

3. Report from the Board

a. Overview of Committee activities

The Chair of the Board presents main issues covered by the Board since the last Assembly meeting. More specifically: she presents the 11 strategic goals, the additional voluntary measures proposed by the Board with regards to governance of ENTSO-E (advisory board, relations with European Parliament, enhanced communication, regional governance, transparency) and the network code status. She also presents the proposal regarding determination of Capacity Calculation Regions (CCRs) and the project between CEE and CWE TSOs to merge the two CCRs with a roadmap to be delivered before 13 March 2016. She also discusses the ACER request to study additional scenarios and ENTSO-E’s response to ACER/NRAs and the key impressions from ENTSO-E’s recent Annual Conference. Her slides are attached as Appendix 2.

b. System Development Committee (SDC) - Regional Groups new TORs

The Chair of SDC presents the process of updating and aligning of the TOR of the six regional groups (RGs). TORs are updated every 2 years. One Member abstains, all other vote in favour.

Decision

- The Assembly approves all the six SDC regional groups updated Terms of Reference.

4. Breakout sessions: strategic guidance for clarifying ENTSO-E position on role & governance of PXs

The Secretary General introduces the topic in the context of a long-term view of the market where shorter market time units and also gate closure times getting closer to the real time. He also provides the regulatory context as provided by CACM. All questions focus strongly on the Market Coupling Operator function. The objective is to provide high level guidance to the project team which will develop ENTSO-E's position.

The Assembly members break-out into 4 groups to brainstorm the issue and subsequently consolidate their guidance.

5. ENTSO-E Membership issues:

a. TEIAS application for Observer Member status

Chair of the Board and Secretary-General present the Board's analysis in the light of the long term agreement and recommendation to the Assembly to admit the Turkish TSO – TEIAS, as an Observer Member.

Decision

- The Assembly takes note of the recommendation of the Board of 19 November as regards the admission of TEIAS as an Observer Member.
- The Assembly decides to admit TEIAS as an Observer Member for a period of three years.
- The Assembly approves the Observer Membership Agreement with TEIAS and its signature by ENTSO-E.
- The Assembly decides that the Observer Member status shall start at the date of entry into force of the Observer Membership Agreement.
- The Assembly asks the Secretariat to organise the access by TEIAS to the corresponding ENTSO-E extranet pages of the entities listed in annex to the Observer Membership Agreement following signature by TEIAS of the Observer Membership Agreement.

b. OST application for Member status

The Chair of the Board presents the Board recommendation to the Assembly to confirm its assessment that the Albanian TSO – OST, meets all criteria to become a full ENTSO-E Member, except the one requiring certification as an unbundled TSO. The Board recommends that as from the moment OST meets this missing criteria a formal admission procedure should be run via written Assembly approval process.

Decision

- The Assembly takes note of the reporting by the Board on OST Membership application and confirms compliance with all but one membership condition.
- The Assembly acknowledges that OST admission as a Member shall be submitted to Assembly approval under the condition that and as from the date OST has obtained a positive opinion from the Energy Community on the draft certification or the final certification decision from its NRA.

6. Proposal to the Assembly to delegate the adoption of CACM ENTSO-E Monitoring Plan to the Market Committee

The Chair of the Board presents the proposal to mandate the ENTSO-E Committees with the adoption of non-strategic ENTSO-E deliverables implementing NCs/GLs. This will leave more time for Committees for technical assessment and discussions with ACER, and lead to more efficiency.

Decision

- The Assembly acknowledges the benefits of the proposed approach to mandate the Committees of ENTSO-E with the adoption of non-strategic ENTSO-E deliverables implementing NCs/GLs.
- The Assembly agrees to delegate to the Market Committee the adoption of the first ENTSO-E deliverables, which are the CACM Monitoring Plan and the list of information in cooperation with ACER as foreseen by the CACM Regulation.

7. TSO coordination strategy implementation using Regional Security Coordination Initiatives (RSCIs) - RSCI Multilateral Agreement (MLA) approval and signature

The Chair of the System Operations Committee discusses the Multilateral Agreement on participation in Regional Security Coordination Initiatives (RSCI MLA). The project manager presents the contents and purpose of the MLA and argues that this agreement is key to implementing ENTSO-E's strategy for enhancing TSO cooperation. It defines five basic operational services which RSCIs will provide to TSOs and places an obligation on TSOs to obtain these services by the end of 2017. It is emphasized that the MLA and the whole project is not just a voluntary initiative of TSOs but implements the standardised services as requested in the new EU legislation (CACM Regulation and future Regulation establishing System Operation Guideline).

A brief discussion ensues about the relationship of TSOs to RSCIs and on their transparency.

One TSO votes against and the President notes that the required majorities to take the decision are met.

Decision

The Assembly

- acknowledges that the RSCI MLA has been approved by the LRG and SOC for signing at today's Assembly meeting;
- notes that all TSOs are expected to be taking the five services from an RSCI by the end of 2017;
- supports the Steering Group's proactive approach to clarifying the scope of RSCIs in operational decision making in line with ENTSO-E policy;
- decides that the RSCI MLA is approved for signing by the Parties listed in Annex 1 of the RSCI MLA and by ENTSO-E.

8. ENTSO-E draft recommendations on coordination of technical cooperation between Community and third country TSOs

The Chair of the System Operations Committee presents the recommendations “relating to the coordination of technical cooperation between Community and third-country transmission system operators”, developed by ENTSO-E pursuant to Article 8(3)(c) of Regulation (EC) No 714/2009. This recommendation needs to be submitted to ACER for its opinion.

Decision

- The Assembly approves the document “ENTSO-E draft recommendations on coordination of technical cooperation between Community and third country TSOs”.
- The Assembly asks the ENTSO-E Secretariat to submit the document to ACER for opinion.

9. Amendment to the Inter-TSO Compensation Multiyear Agreement (ITC Agreement) in order to establish a process for admission of new parties - approval and signature session

The Chair of the Market Committee introduces the topic. The Inter-TSO Compensation Multiyear Agreement of 3 March 2011 (ITC Agreement) needs to be amended in order to allow for accession of new parties who are entitled to participate in the ITC mechanism. Following the approval and the signature of the Addendum, the Market Committee will discuss and decide on KOSTT’s application to join the ITC mechanism, so that the planned 1 January 2016 begin of KOSTT’s ITC participation remains possible.

Decision

- The Assembly decides that the Addendum to the ITC Agreement is approved for signing by all ITC Parties and by ENTSO-E.

10. Any other business

The President notes there is no other business.

11. Approval of the minutes

Decision

- The Assembly approves the minutes.

The President thanks all attendees for participation and reminds that the next meeting is in Brussels, on 8 March 2016.

Done in Brussels, 10 December 2015.




Konstantin STASCHUS
Secretary-General









Peder ANDREASEN
President

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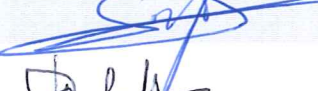
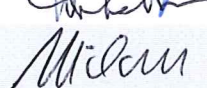

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Chair of the Board

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