
Assembly Meeting

Date: Tuesday, 8 March 2016

Time: 10.30 – 15.00 h

Place: ENTSO-E premises, avenue de Cortenbergh 100, 1000 Brussels - ground 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. The President introduces to the Assembly the new System Operations Manager at the Secretariat.

Decision

- The quorum is verified since the representatives in attendance hold 100% of the first part of the voting rights, and 100% of the second part of the voting rights of the Association. The attendance list is annexed to these minutes (Appendix 1).
- The agenda is approved.

2. External speaker and discussion

The President welcomes Mr Christian Buchel, Deputy-CEO of Electricité Réseau Distribution France (ERDF) and also Vice-Chairman of EDSO for Smart Grids.

Mr Buchel thanks for the invitation on behalf of all 2,400 DSOs as a very positive sign for future TSO-DSO cooperation. The biggest challenge for DSOs is how to have one voice and as such he welcomes the EC upcoming regulation for DSO representation at EU level to be a “legal advisory body”. He emphasises the changing role of DSOs to neutral market facilitators and flexibility enablers. He underlines that regulation should be clarified in order to allow DSOs to fully assume their responsibilities: actively manage their grids; incentivised to invest in smart solutions; be placed on an equal footing with TSOs for drafting future regulation. Finally he recalls that TSOs and DSOs have common challenges (security of supply, high capital expenditures, IT, cyber security) and common opportunities (digitalisation and new technologies). He concludes by stating that he considers TSO/DSO cooperation strategic for the future of the Energy Union and looks forward to working closer together. Various aspects of his presentation lead to a discussion with Assembly members.

3. Report from the Board incl. overview of Committee activities, network code implementation issues, capacity calculation regions, ENTSO-E input to EC’s market design proposals

The Chair of the Board presents main issues covered by the Board since the last Assembly meeting, especially in the 28 January and 2 March Board meetings. Amongst other matters she presents the four Board Strategic Agenda goals which require close monitoring, while the other seven goals are reported on track. She summarises the network codes status and implementation emphasising the importance of the

remaining two network codes going through comitology. She reports on some challenges with regards to the bidding zone review, and the list of information requested by ACER for the monitoring of the implementation of the Capacity Allocation and Congestion Management Guideline, calling for efficiency in data exchanges. She also highlights implementation challenges with the Common Grid Model Exchange Standard, with more resources required by TSOs over the next 3 months and more active participation in testing. She reports also on the new study launched by EC/Joint Research Centre (JRC) related to de-synchronising of the Baltic States from the Russian synchronous system. Finally she mentions that the consideration of requests from Ukraine and Georgia in direction of observer membership will occur in the next Board meeting. A summary of the slides is attached in Appendix 2.

- The Assembly takes note of the report from the Board

4. Approval of new Terms of Reference for Regional Group SEE

The Secretary-General recalls that the Terms of Reference (ToR) for the Regional Group South-East Europe (SEE) dates back to 2009. They require therefore an upgrade to gain a new momentum for the adoption of the network codes and the deployment of the Internal Energy Market in the SEE region. The update of the ToR also reflects the will of the CEOs of the TSOs of the SEE region to reinforce their coordination, as expressed at a high level event which took place in Budapest in September 2015. The Secretary-General reports that the Market Committee gave a positive assessment on the draft ToR for the RG SEE and that they now require the Assembly approval.

Decision

- The Assembly approves the new Terms of Reference for the Regional Group South-East Europe

5. TSO/DSO cooperation: the project starting after approval; feedback from TSO-DSO platform; joint data management report approval

The Vice Chair of the Board summarises the joint report from ENTSO-E and four European DSO associations on data management, which was reported to the TSO-DSO platform (as conditional) and which is submitted to the Assembly for final approval. The Market Committee has approved the report on 24 February 2016. It was acknowledged by the EC as a good first step but the EC needs more concrete guidance with regards to upcoming winter package. Providing this input will be a main task of the new ENTSO-E project TSO-DSO Wholesale-Retail Interface, which the Assembly approved in February by written procedure. In the ensuing discussion it was agreed by all, that a proactive approach to get access to flexibility is by activating the customers.

Decision

- The Assembly approves the data management report, already approved by the Market Committee and Main Office Holders.

6. Board members election

The President reminds the Assembly members that following the resignation of two Board Members, the Nomination Advisory Committee (NAC) circulated e-mails calling for candidates for the two positions left vacant and prepared a shortlist of candidates taking into account all Internal Regulations criteria. The

election should take place today between four candidates for two vacant places. The General Counsel of the Secretariat explains the voting process and calls for the Assembly members to vote.

Decision

- The Assembly takes note that there are four candidates for the two open positions of Board member.
- The Assembly approves to proceed to the election of the two Board members according to the secret ballot procedure described in the Internal Regulations and appoints two external independent persons to calculate, interpret and communicate the results of the secret ballot.
- The Assembly appoints the following persons for the two open positions of Board member: (a) Tomasz Sikorski; and (b) Santiago Marin.

7. Florence Forum report, especially on agenda item on regions

The Market Section Manager summarises the main points of the 3-4 March Florence Forum. He presents the opening statements from EC and other main points on the agenda, namely the market design, balancing, regional cooperation of TSOs, system adequacy and risk preparedness issues, and development in the field of guideline implementation. It was mentioned that the TSOs' signature of the Multilateral Agreement on regional security coordination service providers was positively perceived as a sign of voluntary but binding cooperation.

- The Assembly acknowledges the report from the Florence Forum

8. Advisory Council

The President reminds the Assembly of the Board's fall 2015 decision, to set up an independent advisory body to increase transparency and credibility with respect to its stakeholder interaction. Since then the Board elaborated the concept. The Secretary-General presents key points, objectives, composition & selection, methodology of working, and terms of reference of the "Independent Advisory Council".

A brief discussion addresses what documents from the Advisory Council would be published, and when and how to evaluate how well the Advisory Council meets stakeholders' expectations.

Decision

The Assembly approves:

- the proposal on the Independent Advisory Council with the following: after about one year there will be a review by the Board whether the Advisory Council has fulfilled its aim and meets stakeholders' expectations, with view to if needed adjust composition or other aspects of the Terms of Reference of the Independent Advisory Council.
- the Terms of Reference with the following changes: what will be published on ENTSO-E's public website shall be "Decisions, Minutes and Recommendations".

9. Breakout session: Regional cooperation for Member States, regulators, system planning, operations and markets

The President explains that this agenda item is in response to EC seeing regional cooperation as one of the cornerstones of delivering the Energy Union objectives. The Assembly Members break out into 4 groups to brainstorm the issue.

10. Breakout session: Consolidation and conclusions

The Assembly members discuss the outcome of the breakout sessions. The feedback collected during the brainstorming sessions together with comments will be used as strategic guidance to further develop a coherent framework on regional cooperation and governance. After finalisation by the 4 main office holders and approval by Assembly, this will be published on the ENTSO-E website and sent to the EC by mid-April 2016.

11. Any other business

None.

12. 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 30 June 2016.

Done in Brussels, 8 March 2016.



Konstantin STASCHUS
Secretary-General



Peder ANDREASEN
President

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External Speaker

1.	BUHEL Christian	EDSO for Smart Grids	
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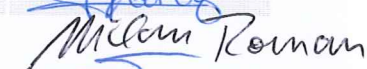
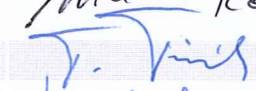
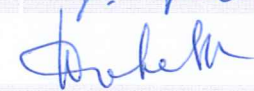
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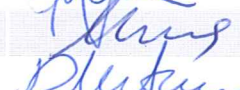
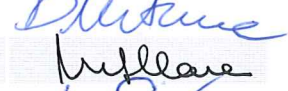




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