Market Code launch

Presentation of international experience on market reforms and models



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A market reform is a process and not a project

.... And it needs countries to be agile - support common market reform as well as individual strategies



In a competitive wholesale market – What are we trying to achieve?

At a high level it is easy...

To Produce or not to Produce

Market Principle



There is always a balance to be found....

...between competitive market with few limitations and a constrained real-time operation of the power system

The economist wants:

- Liquid markets
- Large trading area with no/few physical constraints
- Standardised products
- Large number of competing buyers and sellers
- No differentiation between the different buyers and sellers



The engineers wants:

- Market representation of the underlying physical power system
- Representative trading areas with with physical constraints
- Customized products for the physical needs
- Deep knowledge of the sellers and buyers capabilities

The power market concept needs to take this in account in <u>all</u> market timeframes

A Market Driven by Planning

- The electricity market is driven by planning where the total assets and commitments must be balanced for every hour.
 - A buyer needs to estimate how much energy needed to meet customer demand for the next delivery day and the price to pay for this electricity volume.
 - The seller as the owner of power plants needs to decide how much he can deliver and at what price.
 - This has to be done based on the current market and electricity situation with a view to the company's short- and long-term strategy.

The stepwise market implementation

Main targets:

- 1. Economic-driven price signals
- 2. Regain trust in the system
- 3. Support the energy transition and the technology disruption
 - moving towards *unbundled, cost-reflective tariffs* to better reflect electricity services
 - .. while increasing security of supply and reduce load shedding



Maximizing social economic welfare

The area between the buy and sell curves represent the total economic surplus of buyers and sellers for each hour.



Optimising the seller and buyer surplus (while taking into account potential limitations in both orders and the transmission infrastructure) results in the maximum overall economic welfare.

Benefits of trading in an organised market

- The market is a tool to enable flow of electricity in the economically best direction (from low price towards high price)
- Trading through a market makes the world simpler for utilities
- Your only concern is: What are my marginal cost for generation and willingness to pay for demand?
- Let the market figure out the optimal use of resources.
- You as market member are not involved in the cross-border agreements/arrangements you are given access to a bigger market and liquidity through the pool.
- The power pools is the Central Counter Party
- The Central Counter Party removes your counterpart risk.
- Social economic welfare maximization
- Optimal utilization of assets

Multilateral trading in a pool Central Counter Party D Always one counterparty

How to meet the new market requirements

... But this is not the only path...

Characteristics	Monopoly	Single Buyer	Wholesale Competition	Retail Competition
Definition	Monopoly at all levels	Competition in Generation	Competition in Generation	Competition in Generation
Competing Generators	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Choice for retailers	No	No	Yes	Yes
Choice for consumers	No	No	No	Yes
Increasing trend from monopoly towards fully competitive markets presents new requirements				

Generic best practice on Market Structure



Liberalization of Energy Markets





The starting point

The best practice

Overview of the electricity value chain





Historical evolution of market models

In allocating roles between central bodies and market participants, market designs are often referred to as 'centralised' or 'de-centralised'



Capacity mechanisms – aiming to make participants "whole"

Capacity mechanisms are closely interlinked with the whole market concept:

Are the market design for electricity (physical incl bilaterals, DA, ID and BM) delivering sufficient income for (especially generators)?

To answer this, there are many influences:

- Price limits
- Allowing proper scarcity pricing (avoiding the "missing money" problem*)
- Legacy costs
- Customers willingness (or ability) to pay

Therefore, there is no generic answer to the question: "Do we need Capacity payments?" – it all comes down to the overall status in the power sector

However, a big discussion is: How to do this in a manner that is not "state aid" or giving preferential treatment of parts of the sector?





A simplified example of the difference

In Germany, 10 years ago a normal gas-fired generating unit would run between 600 and 1000 hours a year.

With increased penetration of VRE in Germany, the gas-fired power plant is now acting as a flexible peaking plant that will only be used 60-100 hours a year;

The income that the gas-fired unit in Germany would need to cover its annual total costs would therefore be 10 times higher than before.

In this circumstance, the market design can solve this in two main ways:

- In an energy-only market with scarcity pricing, you would allow the gas-fired unit to bid a price 10 times higher than before and when it is needed, it will get a sufficient price to cover its costs. The effect of this is that prices will go high in the events when it is needed (and it needs to be allowed to) and this will affect all market participants. However, at the same time, this will give a good price signal for others to try to offer this capacity at a lower price and thereby competition will drive efficiency;
- Another way is to implement a Capacity Remuneration Mechanism where the gas-fired unit will get a separate payment to be available and offer lower prices in the market. This would again make the business case for the gas-unit still fine. However, there are several other drawbacks with this:
 - First is how shall the price of the capacity mechanism be established?
 - Who shall be eligible for it?
 - How do you control that they really are available when needed?
 - This will distort the market as these units eligible for this, will have a competitive advantage in the market and thereby be chosen before cheaper resources.
 - Last, but not least: It will dampen the prices in the market and make the prices established not reflecting the real cost of the system.



SPV supporting the transitions in Market reforms – Based on Contract for Difference regime(s)



- Replacement of existing Power Purchase Agreements (PPAs) and Universal Service Supply (USS) arrangements with Contracts for Difference (CfD's)
- Implementing RES support while supporting the market
- · Might be a solution for potential stranded assets
- Generally a vehicle for all "non-market based solutions" and also a transitory vehicle
- A well-known tool to manage both transitions as well as longer-lasting support schemes.

• Protection of end-consumers from overpriced electricity.

Whv?

- Increased market liquidity.
- Transparency of true underlying price of electricity.
- Reduced exposure to market volatility for the party receiving the CfD than would otherwise be the case.
- No financial detriment caused by switch from PPAs to CfDs.

 Market participants previously on a bilateral power purchase agreement (PPA)

Which parties can be

affected?

- Market participants with a Public Service
 Obligation for Universal Service Supply (USS)
- All market participants who have independently entered into a private PPA

Words of wisdom: (my favorite market reform quote):



THANK YOU

FOR YOUR ATTENTION!

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