

Cabinet of Commissioner Kadri SIMSON - Minutes of Meeting

MEETING CONCLUSIONS

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| Title | Meeting with ENTSO-E |
| Date | 08-01-2020 |
| Participants | <p>Ext : [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] COM: Kadri Simson (Commissioner), Ditte Juul Jørgensen (DG), [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]</p> |
| | Basis initial request: CAB SIMSON/6 |
| Issues raised & follow-up | <p>The meeting was a first exchange with the Vice-President and Chair of the Board of ENTSO-E as well their Secretary General. ENTSO-E's representatives presented the purpose and objectives of the association in light of the new Electricity market design and the crucial role of the TSOs for its implementation. They highlighted in particular the following points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ENTSO-E priorities for the next 2 years: ENTSO-E will focus on its mission and identity in the context of the legal mandates. This work should lead to more efficiency and more qualitative deliverables looking at the needs of the European energy system up to 2050. • Implementation of the new electricity market design: there are challenges linked to the new mandates but ENTSO-E will do its best to deliver on them. • Sector integration and in particular sector coupling: ENTSO-E started work on the challenges linked to sector coupling. They have prepared a paper in this regard that they will share with the Commission. Their concern is linked to the need for financing and encouraging pilot projects so that the relevant technology can be further marketed and deployed on a large-scale. • Infrastructure and Ten-year network development plan (TYNDP): ENTSO-E highlighted the need for proper and sufficient network extensions while TSOs face various technical and regulatory challenges in realising network investments as well as lack of public acceptance. They asked the Commission to make the link between the grid needs and the energy policy targets (e.g. decarbonisation) more visible for the public and the national governments. • Data management: crucial for the implementation of the current and future electricity market design is to clearly define the rules around data management and DSO/TSO cooperation. ENTSO-E is ready to work together with the Commission towards such definition also taking into account the challenge of digitalisation. • Creating a level-playing field across Europe: ENTSO-E see a challenge in ensuring integration of Energy Community countries in the internal energy market. Such integration is in their view required in order to achieve the goals set by the new electricity market design and the Green Deal. They are ready to support the Commission in any initiative aiming at early integration of the Energy Community EU countries like market coupling projects. |

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The Commissioner thanked ENTSO-E for the work delivered so far on several issues like the Baltic desynchronization, implementation of the electricity legislation and cooperation with the Commission in policy/technical discussions. The Commission stressed the need to work hard in delivering on the legal mandates such as the grid planning. Cooperation will also be needed to deliver on the new challenges of the Commission regarding the Green Deal as sector integration.

Follow-up

- All participants recognise that close cooperation between ENTSO-E and the Commission services is required in order to deliver on the common goals.
- More meetings/workshops will be organised in the next months for this purpose, first at working level and if need be at a higher level.