

5TH REGIONAL ENERGY CONFERENCE

REGIONAL ENERGY DEVELOPMENT AND ENERGY SECURITY

28-29 October 2014 Sofia, Sheraton Hotel Balkan

The Balance between the Liberalized Market and Security of Supply – the Responsibility of National Regulators

Sofia, 28.10.2014

Günter Bramböck

Security of Supply

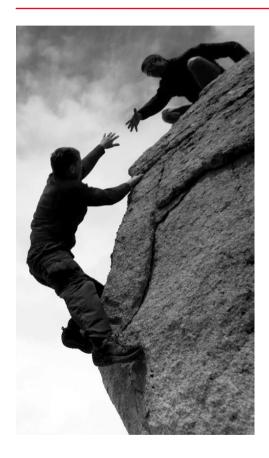




- → Reliable and affordable energy is key for standard of living and energy efficiency is maximizing standards
- → Ensuring (long-term) supply with primary energy is a political task
- → Cost benefits from domestic sources to be reinvested in energy efficiency to improve competitiveness
- → Fluctuating renewable energy cannot replace reliable energy transformation from primary energy (Backup)
- → Fluctuating renewable energy needs much more flexibility on demand and supply side (task NRA)
- → System adequate cost allocation is often neglected but essential part of system efficiency and security
- → Regulators are responsible for optimal cost allocation

Critical Success Factors of European Energy Policy





- → Challenging social, legal and system complexity
- → Overcome unilateral approach in the power market model (harmonization compulsory)
- → Merge preferential treatment of renewables with market and energy system: full cost transparency
- → No Internal Energy Market (IEM) possible without common market model and common market rules
- → Regulators independence enforced but role and responsibilities limited by legal norms (NRA overload)
- → Taxation, cost allocations and public service obligations are far from getting harmonized market distortions
- → Achieve the balance between individual requests/rights and common public interests

Hampering progress



→ Obstacles to get Network Codes as a generally accepted norm in the complex system of different roles in power market reflecting the whole society

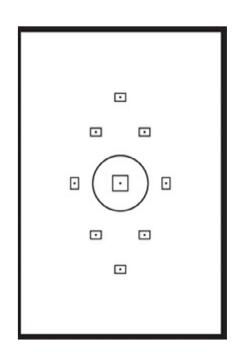
→ Transfer responsibility from dispatching centers (TSO, ENTSO-E) to ACER, NRA and other market functions is a must to stabilize the market

→ Regulators struggle in taking over the full responsibility for the energy system and in parallel being obliged to harmonize different market concepts

→ After a phase of "monitoring" NRA's should urgently move forward to designing the market on a well-balanced concept no longer blaming certain market functions but coordinate the rights and responsibilities to achieve benefits for consumers (better together)

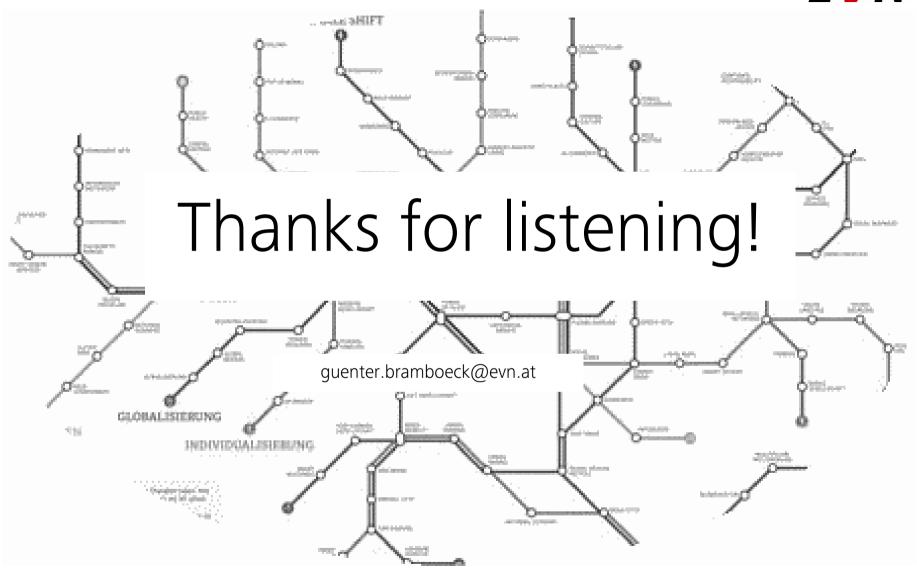
Focus points





- → Full transparency and cost allocation in monopoly functions (e.g. balancing) and subsidized entities
- → Increase competence of regulators improve system integration skills according to market complexity
- → Establish better organizational structures for harmonization of national market systems (EU-task)
- → Think about establishing regional system operators to overcome national originalities (consider target model)
- → ERI-8: establish and fund multinational power exchange with market makers of different countries
- → Set up a adequat service and support unit of experienced experts and young achievers to support NRA's for national transposition
- → Improve prioritization skills of regulators







Backup

DIRECTIVE 2009/72/EC National Regulatory Authorities



- → Art. 35: fully independent from any political and private entity and does not seek or take instructions
- → Art. 36: Objectives
 - a competitive, secure and environmentally sustainable internal market in electricity
 - ensuring appropriate conditions for the effective and reliable operation of electricity networks, taking into account long-term objectives
 - developing competitive and properly functioning regional markets
 - eliminating restrictions on trade in electricity between Member
 States
 - helping to achieve, in the most cost-effective way, the development of secure, reliable and efficient non-discriminatory systems

DIRECTIVE 2009/72/EC



Objectives

- facilitating access to the network for new generation capacity
- ensuring that system operators and system users are granted appropriate incentives ... to increase efficiencies in system performance and foster market integration
- ensuring that customers benefit through the efficient functioning of their national market
- helping to achieve high standards of universal and public service in electricity supply, contributing to the protection of vulnerable customers and contributing to the compatibility of necessary data exchange processes for customer switching

DIRECTIVE 2009/72/EC Art. 37



Duties:

- → fixing or approving transmission or distribution tariffs or their methodologies
- → cooperating in regard to crossborder issues
- ensuring that there are no crosssubsidies between transmission, distribution, and supply activities
- → monitoring ... network security and reliability, the level of transparency and a lot of other
- → monitoring ...

Powers:

- → carry out (unannounced) inspections, at the premises of transmission system owner and independent system operator
- → to issue binding decisions on electricity undertakings
- → ...those tariffs or methodologies shall allow the necessary investments in the networks ...
- → ...balancing services which shall be performed in the most economic manner ... provide appropriate incentives for network users to balance

DIRECTIVE 2009/72/EC Art. 37



- → In fixing or approving the tariffs or methodologies and the balancing services, the regulatory authorities shall ensure that transmission and distribution system operators are granted appropriate incentive, over both the short and long term, to increase efficiencies, foster market integration and security of supply
- → Decisions taken by regulatory authorities shall be fully reasoned and justified to allow for judicial review.

The Numerous Inspections by the State Institutions



	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
DKEWR	✓	✓		✓	~	~	~	✓	V
MIE					✓	✓	✓	✓	
NAP		~	✓	~	~	~		~	~
Commission for Protection of Competition	~		~	~	~	~	~	~	
Commission for Consumer Protection				~				~	
Commission for Protection from Discrimination				~	✓		✓		
Commission for Personal Data Protection				~			✓		
RIOSV		✓	✓	✓	~	✓	✓	~	
State Agency for Metrological and Technical	~	✓			~	✓		✓	
Surveillance									
Privatization and Post-Privatization Control Agency	~	~	✓	~	~	~	~	~	
Customs Agency						✓			V
Regional Labor Inspectorate Executive Agency		~	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	~
National Social Insurance Institute					✓	✓	✓		
Municipal Directorate Fire Safety and Civil Protection			~	~		~	~	~	
State Agency for National Security					✓				V
Economic Police	✓	✓	✓		✓				
Financial Supervision Commission						✓	✓		
Public Financial Inspection Agency					✓			✓	V
Prosecutor's Office								✓	