

SIDC OPSCOM Report

Cancellation of the Intraday Auction IDA1 for Delivery Date 18/05/2026

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1. SIDC Intraday Auctions

Single Intraday Coupling (SIDC) operates a single EU-wide cross-zonal intraday electricity market, complemented by three Intraday Auctions (IDAs) that enhance efficiency and provide accurate price signals for scarce cross-border capacity. The map below shows the European countries participating in IDAs.



For more information, please visit the [ENTSO-E](#) and [NEMO Committee](#) websites.

1.1 Normal Process and Timings

Intraday Auctions occur several times per day, each with a predefined Order Book Gate Closure Time (OBK GCT). Twenty minutes before this closure, cross-zonal capacity allocation through

Intraday Continuous Trading (IDCT) is suspended. This pause allows TSOs to update capacities based on the latest calculations and provide the necessary Cross-Zonal Capacities and Allocation Constraints for the auction.

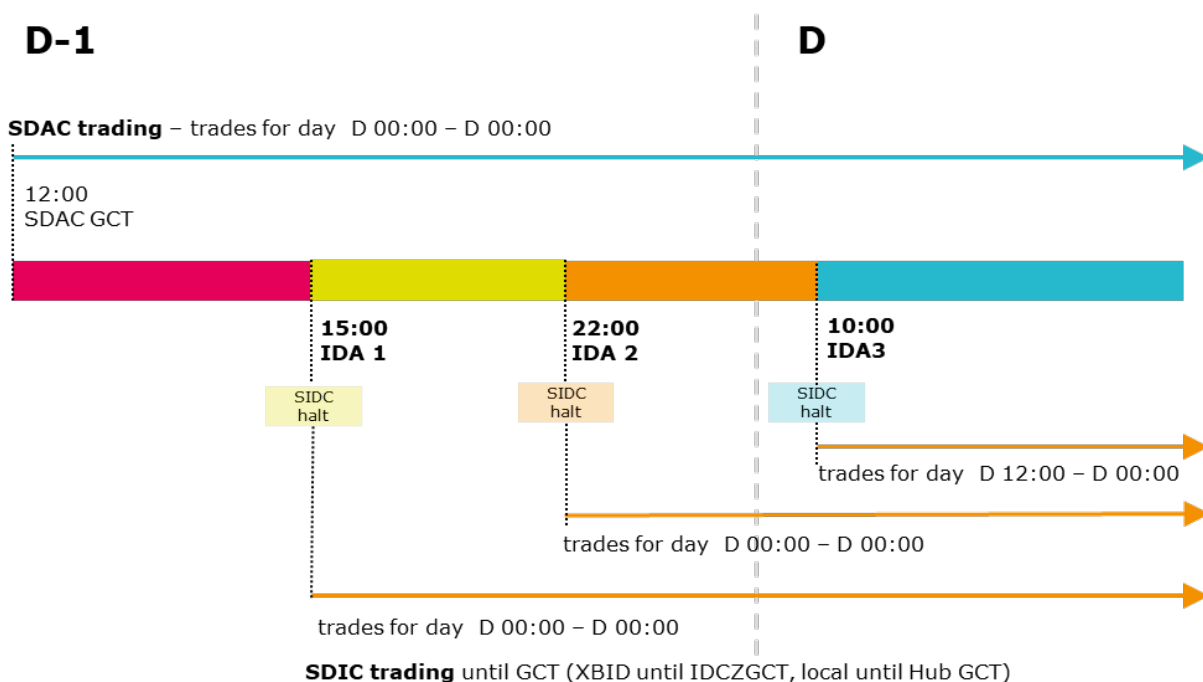
At OBK GCT, NEMOs exchange these capacities and constraints across their systems and begin transferring Order Books to the central NEMO systems operating the Intraday Auction. Once all Order Books are received, the coupling process starts, taking into account the provided capacities and constraints.

After the auction results are generated, NEMOs validate them and make them available to TSOs via the SIDC Capacity Management Module for verification and allocation of Cross-Zonal Capacity on relevant bidding zone borders.

Once this window closes, cross-border continuous trading automatically reopens, and any possible incomplete Intraday Auction process is automatically cancelled. This report explores the circumstances and implications of such cancellations.

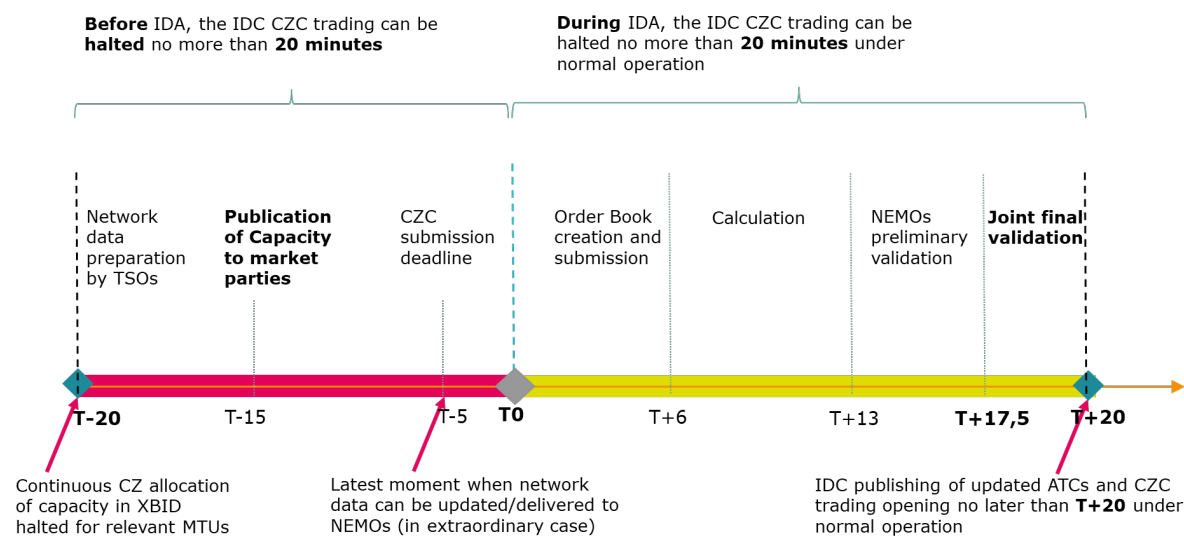
MCSC Daily Timeline

SDAC – SIDC – IDA daily timeline



SIDC/IDA Timeline – Coupling Timing 15:00 / 22:00 / 10:00 CE(S)T

IDA timeline



IDA 1	14:40	14:45	15:00	15:20
IDA 2	21:40	21:45	22:00	22:20
IDA 3	09:40	09:45	10:00	10:20

1.2 Incident Management Process

An incident is defined as an unwanted event occurring within the SIDC IDA systems, the local NEMO or TSO systems connected to SIDC IDA, or the communication channels linking them. An incident that requires convening an Incident Committee (IC) call has the following characteristics: the issue(s) cannot be resolved through a (Local) Backup procedure and may result in breaching a SIDC deadline.

Operational parties have agreed to follow the incident management procedure for handling such incidents. This procedure assumes that communication with relevant third parties (e.g. CCP, Shipping Agent, Explicit Participants) is managed by the involved TSOs and NEMOs according to their local processes.

As a general principle, the Incident Management procedure defines how incidents are addressed. This includes the operation of the Incident Committee (IC) and the application of measures such as closing and reopening interconnectors, restarting markets or delivery areas, suspending trading services, executing corresponding local procedures, and exchanging files in backup mode.

When an incident impacts any Single Intraday Market Coupling process, an Incident Committee (IC) must be convened by the IC SPOC or the IDA Coordinator. Participants in the IC identify the issue(s), assess the situation, and agree on potential solutions. The IC SPOC or IDA

Coordinator records all relevant information, including incident details, discussions, and decisions made during the IC call.

At the start of the IC call, the IC SPOC, the incident reporter, or the IDA Coordinator presents the issue. The parties review actions already taken by the affected party and agree on immediate measures. They also ensure the correct classification of the incident, particularly for XBID-related cases.

The IC discusses potential solutions, including recommendations from the service provider where necessary. Once a solution is agreed upon, the parties decide on its implementation. The IC also determines the appropriate communication to market participants.

Typically, within two hours after the IC call concludes, the IC SPOC or IDA Coordinator prepares and finalizes the IC report and shares it with all NEMOs and TSOs. The involved parties review and update the report as needed. For IDCT issues affecting IDAs, the IC SPOC prepares the report; for IDA issues affecting IDCT, the IDA Coordinator is responsible.

2. Incident Description

This report informs stakeholders of an incident affecting the Intraday Auction 1 on 17 May 2026, resulting in an IDA Cancellation. The incident occurred due to the global final confirmation of the day-ahead auction results being generated after 14:10:00. This, according to procedures, triggers IDA1 cancellation.

2.1 Timeline

Event	Start	End
Incident occurrence	17/05/2026; 14:10	
Triggering of Incident Committee	17/05/2026; 14:12	17/05/2026; 14:49
The NEMO IDA Coordinator, according to IDA_JOINT_EXC_03, requested to the IDA TSO Operator to cancel the IDA session in XBID CMM, and to send the relevant IDA cancellation communication (message IDA_JOINT_09 according to procedure IDA_JOINT_OTH_02) to the IDA NEMO Operators.	17/05/2026; 14:27	
The NEMO IDA Coordinator waited for all the NEMOs to be in the call, after the day-ahead session closure, before proceeding with the communication informing about the cancellation.	17/05/2026; 14:35	
The NEMO IDA Coordinator instructed the IDA NEMO Operators to abort the dedicated session in the PMB, and all IDA NEMO operators verbally confirmed during the Incident Committee Conference Call (ICCC) the successful aborting of the PMB session.	17/05/2026; 14:42	

The NEMO IDA Coordinator sent the SIDC_JOINT_18 message according to the procedure IDA_JOINT_OTH_02.	17/05/2026; 14:49	
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2.2 Incident Cause

The global final confirmation for the day-ahead session was not generated before the agreed time (14:10).

2.3 Impacted NEMOs, Bidding Zones and Bidding Zone Borders

Impacted NEMOs:

ALL

Impacted Bidding Zones:

ALL

Impacted Bidding Zone Borders:

ALL

3. Mitigation Measures And Lessons Learnt

To ensure successful restoration of the operations and prevent the issue from happening again, the following measures have been taken:

Short-term Solution by Affected Party N/A

Long-term Measures by Affected Party	N/A
SIDC Project Lessons Learned	N/A