



# Our understanding of the ENTSO-E presentation



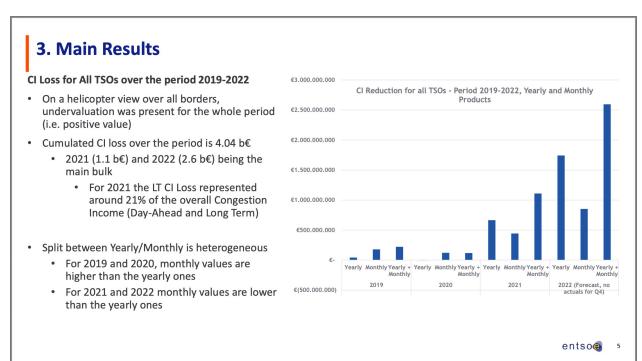
LTTRs auctions cleared far below 2022 DA prices



As a result, congestion income for TSOs is negative



Presentation seems to question the very existence of LTTRs





## How LTTRs are valued when they are auctioned



LTTRs are valued against market spreads at the time of the auction



Proper analysis should have compared LTTRs auction results with forward spreads then



This is complemented by best estimates forecasts of the DA spread evolution

What we cannot know cannot be valued at the time of the auction!

> e.g. war in Ukraine, unforeseen outages of nuclear plants





## What the ENTSO-E analysis should have looked at

Factual at the time of the

VS.

Unforeseeable evolutions

ry	Year	DE>FR	BE>FR	NL>DE	BE>DE	BE>NL
	auction €/MWh	80.01	98.00	19.27	27.40	13.24
	mkt at auction date	81.51	105.16	14.92	23.66	8.74
	Min spread last year	-1.40	7.60	-1.00	8.00	-1.55
	max spread last year	167.53	430.87	244.99	265.00	30.44
	st dev spread	46.47	76.79	36.03	40.10	8.80



auction



# Why LTTRs are vital especially in current times



LTTRs provide a view of spreads between two markets



LTTRs offer a liquidity bridge/boost for smaller BZs

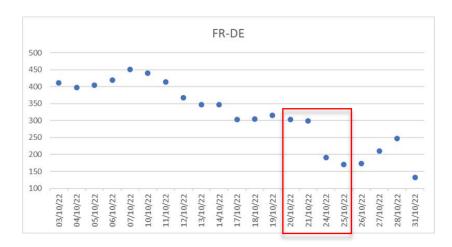


LTTRs serve as a hedge for physical supply position

# Access to LT capacity is beneficial for consumers

> contributes to smoothing spreads volatility for consumers

avoids isolation of small BZ (or BZs under stress)







#### Wider reflections on the ENTSO-E presentation



Has the maximisation of congestion income become a TSO objective?



Already largely guiding the future LTFBA optimisation

Nowhere to find in legislation

Rather an indicator flagging the need for inefficiency or infrastructure investment



Is ENTSO-E reconsidering the very existence of LTTRs?



Effect on capacity of market participants to hedge across borders

Effect on end-user prices





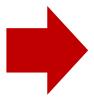
#### **EFET conclusions & recommendations**



We find the ENTSO-E analysis fundamentally flawed



LTTRs are vital for market functioning and bring benefits to the system



Market design debates deserve better



Maximisation of congestion income should not become a TSO objective

