

MCSC TSOs Reaffirm Their Readiness for Go-Live of 15-Minute Market Time Unit (MTU) in the Single Day-Ahead Coupling (SDAC)

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The SDAC 15-Minute MTU project is entering its final phase. TSOs in the Market Coupling Steering Committee (MCSC) reaffirm the readiness of their local and regional systems for a successful launch as no blocking issues or obstacles have been identified.

Currently, MCSC project parties are focused on continuing Member Testing with market participants.¹ At a broader level, all functional tests have been successfully completed, giving TSOs strong confidence in their systems' ability to operate under the new 15-Minute MTU resolution. Procedures have been thoroughly tested to ensure their robustness and suitability for this transition. This has included comprehensive training and preparation for all project parties and their operators. All systems have also successfully passed a wide range of stress tests and simulations.

Commitment to Collaboration, Clarity, and Timely Delivery

Throughout the testing phases and many joint meetings held since the project's inception, TSOs have consistently demonstrated full commitment to the successful delivery of the 15-Minute MTU project.

While TSOs are fully prepared with their local and regional systems, the project relies also on the readiness of NEMO systems and other local assets. In light of the unfortunate circumstances publicly expressed, TSOs urge a more aligned approach to decision-making and communication (including on local readiness confirmation), as has always been the goal in the cooperation framework.

Given the successful completion of earlier testing phases and the significant resource investment made, TSOs regret the emergence of last-minute demands for SDAC 15-Minute MTU go-live postponement. Such a delay would have far-reaching consequences, as the strategic de-prioritization of other initiatives

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¹ Information on testing results is available on the ENTSO-E website, under the section "Information Notes".



was done to ensure the timely delivery of this project. A postponement would jeopardize the implementation planning of other critical developments such as Core Advanced Hybrid Coupling. Therefore, any action plan to postpone the SDAC 15-Minute MTU go-live should carefully consider subsequent and dependent projects with aim to minimize delays. Additionally, TSOs would like to highlight that test continuity over the summer period is unviable due to unavailability of resources. Finally, TSOs are not willing to support significant operational timing and/or procedure changes before SDAC 15-Minute MTU go-live.

In light of the above, TSOs kindly encourage all market parties to continue their preparations and testing efforts. At this stage, maintaining focus and readiness will be key to a successful transition. TSOs appreciate everyone's commitment and collaboration in making this important step towards a shared success and will continue to stay committed to a joint dialogue and progress.

Above all, TSOs are dedicated to continuing efforts towards jointly assuring robustness of the increasingly complex systems supporting the stability, efficiency and flexibility of the European electricity market.

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