

ENTSO-E Board meeting of 1 June 2023

Date: 1 June 2023

Time: 9:00-15:00

Place: Brauweiler, Germany

MINUTES

1. Welcome, attendance, adoption of the draft agenda

Decision

The Board approves the agenda.

2. Approval of the Minutes of the 2 March 2023 Board meeting for publication

Decision

The Board approves the minutes of the Board meeting of 2 March 2023 for publication.

3. Secretary-General Reporting including High Level Engagement Plan

The Secretary-General provides a short debrief on the main Secretariat high-level engagement activities, strategic meetings and other developments that the Board Members should be informed about since the last Board meeting on 2 March 2023. The Secretary-General updates the Board on the High-Level Engagement Plan and the finalisation of the 2023 Member Satisfaction Survey. Further, the Secretary-General presents a status report on the Secretariat Performance Monitoring.

Decision

The Board acknowledges the reporting of the Secretary-General.

4. Reporting on Legal Mandates and Committees/LRG special topics

The Chair of the Market Committee (MC) reports on the discussion held at the dedicated Inter TSO Compensation (ITC) workshop and at the MC. He elaborates on the recent developments concerning the ALL TSOs bidding zones review and the balancing platforms.

The Chair of the System Development Committee (SDC) reports on the ERAA 2023 progress with ACER and EC, as well as the finalisation of TYNDP 2022 and the respective ACER opinion. He informs on key activities in the ongoing TYNDP 2024 work.

The Chair of the System Operation Committee (SOC) updates the Board about progress made in the Common Grid Model project. He informs the Board on the recent increase of trade capacity between Ukraine-Moldova and Continental Europe and the ongoing activities to support Ukrenergo in meeting all the requirements of the catalogue of measures. He explains the status and next steps on the developments concerning the methodology for identifying regional electricity crisis scenarios.

The Chair of the Research, Development and Innovation Committee (RDIC) reports on the European Commission's Net-Zero Industry Act and its potential implications on the TSOs and the timeline for the development of the position of ENTSO-E. He provides an update on the InnoGrid 2023 conference taking place on 9 June and 14 of June. Furthermore, the RDIC Chairman informs the Board about the latest developments related to the joint work with the DSO Entity on the Digitalization of the Energy System EU Action Plan.

The Chair of the Information and Communication Technologies Committee (ICTC) informs the Board about ICTC's endorsement of the 2024 detailed budget and resource planning timeline. The ICTC Chair highlights the Knowledge Sharing Session on Enterprise Asset Management, conducted by the ICTC aiming to leverage TSOs' collective experiences. The Chair announces that a similar dedicated session with the RDIC will be scheduled to enhance collaboration and address relevant matters.

The Chair of the SDC reports on the key messages developed related to offshore energy and infrastructure, based on available position papers and the ongoing work on among others the Offshore Network Development Plans.

The Chair of the Legal and Regulatory Group (LRG) explains the developments concerning the recent appeal brought before the General Court against an ACER decision, the LRG assessment of the European Court of Auditors report on internal energy market integration and developments concerning the Energy Community legislation.

The Chair of the Steering Group T&D Interface (StG T&DI) informs Board members about the current developments relating to the Network Code on Demand Response, the Connection Network Codes Amendments and the KORRR methodology (Key organisational requirements, roles and responsibilities in relation to data exchange). He reports on the establishment of the Joint Working Group on Data interoperability and Access together with the DSO entity as foreseen in the implementing act on data interoperability and access and the respective Terms of Reference.

Further, he presents the Terms of Reference for a joint task force on digitalisation of the Energy System EU Action Plan co-chaired by ENTSO-E and DSO entity.

The Convenor of the Policy and Communication Group (PCG) provides an update on the latest policy developments on the Net-Zero Industry Act, the Fit for 55 package, the F-gas Regulation as well as an overview of forthcoming EU legislative proposals which may have impacts on the TSO community and ENTSO-E. He reports also on ENTSO-E stakeholders' engagement including ACER's engagement status. The Convenor of the PCG presents the achievements of the Fit for 55 Advocacy Coordination Team (FITACT) and requests the Board to close FITACT as the legislative process reached its final stage.

The Head of the Market Section presents the proposed delegations of the Madrid, Florence, Athens and Copenhagen Fora and respective key messages.

Decision

The Board:

- acknowledges the reporting made by the Chairs of the Committees, the Legal and Regulatory Group, the Steering Group T&DI and the Policy and Communication Group; mandates the respective Committees to engage with the Energy Community TSOs that are not ENTSO-E Members or Observers where these TSOs are synchronously connected to the Continental Europe Synchronous Area regarding the implementation of legally mandated ENTSO-E tasks;
- approves the Terms of Reference for the Joint Working Group on Data Interoperability and Access;
- approves the Terms of Reference for the Joint Task Force on the Digitalisation of the Energy System – EU Action Plan;
- acknowledges the report of the PCG Convenor on the work done by the Fit for 55 Advocacy Coordination Team;
- closes the Fit for 55 Advocacy Coordination Team as of 1 June 2023;
- approves on the delegations of the Madrid, Florence, Athens and Copenhagen Fora as proposed;
- approves on the general approach proposed on the key messages and delegates the content of the messages to the speaker in the delegation based on already approved messages by ENTSO-E; and
- approves the high-level communication messages on offshore systems, subject to the changes agreed at the meeting.

5.1 2024 Annual Work Programme (AWP) before the launch of the public consultation – recommendation for Assembly approval

The Secretary-General explains the process to develop the Annual Work Programme 2024 (AWP 2024) and provides an update to the Board Members on its current status. She recalls that the AWP 2024 has been developed to focus on legal mandates and has been aligned with the 5-year Budget and Resources plan to ensure that the mandated services under the AWP have the corresponding resources and budget allocated in the 2024 Budget proposal. As to the next steps, the Secretary-General announces that subject to Assembly approval on 28 June 2023, public consultation will take place during the summer months of July and August. The AWP 2024 will then be finalised for Assembly approval in October taking into account any relevant remarks from the public consultation and the outcome of the finalisation of the Budget 2024 which will be submitted to Assembly approval at the same time.

Decision

The Board:

- approves the submission of the draft ENTSO-E Annual Work Programme 2024 to the Assembly; and
- recommends the Assembly to approve the document “Draft ENTSO-E Annual Work Programme 2024” for public consultation.

5.2 2024 Initial Resources Planning – recommendation for Assembly information

The Secretary-General explains the result of the resources planning for 2024 and the following years. She informs about that the planning which is based on the draft Annual Work Programme for 2024 and provides resources information for tasks as continued from 2023, for additional tasks as from 2024, including resource needs for AWP tasks in projects on the Committee level. She explains that following the guidance of the Board and Assembly, the Secretariat in conjunction with the Committees will identify options to fill the required roles and will submit the 2024 Final Resource Plan to the Board and Assembly for approval.

Decision

The Board:

- notes the 2024 Initial Resource Planning and the 2023-28 High Level Resources Plan; and
- asks the Secretariat to consider the Resources committee and Board guidance prior to the submission for the Assembly meeting on 28 June 2023.

5.3 2024 Initial Budget Proposal for Board guidance – recommendation for Assembly information

The Chair of the Resources committee (Rc) and the Secretary-General present the 2024 Initial Budget Proposal which has been prepared in collaboration with the Committees and LRG/PCG. They

explain that the initial budget proposal has been prepared in accordance with the proposed 2024 Annual Work Programme and the Initial Resources Plan and considering the approved Budget Key Principles, the lessons learned from previous Budget processes and the Members' survey findings.

The Secretary-General explains that the Secretariat seeks Board guidance on the proposal for initial presentation to the 28 June Assembly.

Decision

The Board

- notes the 2024 Initial Budget Proposal derived from the 2024 Initial Annual Work Programme and 2024 Resources Planning which is to be funded by the Membership fees and other fees; and
- asks the Secretariat to consider the Board guidance prior to the submission for the Assembly meeting on 28 June 2023.

6. Endorsement of the 2022 ENTSO-E Annual Accounts – recommendation for Assembly approval

The Chair of the Resources committee (Rc) reports on the recommendation to the Board from the Rc to submit the ENTSO-E 2022 Annual Accounts to Assembly for approval, explaining that this recommendation has been confirmed and reported by the Rc based on its 16 May 2023 meeting with the statutory auditors, BDO, who provided an unqualified audit opinion.

Decision

The Board:

- notes that the statutory audit by BDO has been completed with an Unqualified Audit Opinion;
- endorses the 2022 Annual Accounts showing a total balance sheet of 70.722 k€ and a net result of -3,368 k€ and recommends to the Assembly to approve the 2022 annual accounts; and
- notes that the formal Audit Report will be provided to the ENTSO-E Secretariat by BDO auditors after the Board meeting and provided to the Assembly meeting.

7. Long-term priorities for TSO-DSO cooperation – for Assembly information

The Chair of the Steering Group T&D Interface (StG T&DI) informs Board members about the progress of the StG T&DI in developing a long-term strategy for TSO-DSO cooperation as part of the implementation programme of ENTSO-E Vision for a Carbon Neutral Power System.

Decision

The Board notes the progress report from the Chair of the Steering Group T&D Interface.

8. Outcome of the Winter Period 2022-2023 review – strategic initiatives for Board information

The Chair of the System Development Committee (SDC) and the Chair of the System Operation Committee (SOC) inform the Board Members about the Special Session organized on 30 March 2023 at Assembly level to present and discuss the challenges of the power system during the winter 2022-2023, while focusing on the system resilience. The two Chairs summarize the reflections of the Assembly members on measures that could be considered to strengthen the resilience of the interconnected power system.

Decision

The Board acknowledges the report from the Chairs of the System Development Committee and the System Operations Committee.

9. Electricity Market Design Reform update and ENTSO-E Advocacy – for Board information

The Chair of the Market Committee (MC) updates Board members on the latest developments of the legislative process concerning the Electricity Market Design Reform. He explains that both the European Parliament and the Council are progressing swiftly and have proposed several amendments to the initial Commission's text.

Decision

The Board notes the work of the Task Force on the Electricity Market Design Reform.

10. Network Development in South and East Europe within TYNDP context – for Board information

The Chair of the System Development Committee (SDC) and Board members report on recent TSO discussions in South and East Europe regarding operational challenges and transmission reinforcement needs. Since the TYNDP2024 process is now starting, regional analyses shall be adequately reflected and be included in the ongoing TYNDP work of scenario development, system needs analyses and regional investment plans.

Decision

The Board acknowledges the reporting.

11. ENTSO-E Corporate Project status update

The Vice-President of the Assembly presents the status update of the Project and highlights the main topics addressed by the Steering Group since the last Board meeting.

Decision

The Board takes note of the reporting.

12. Membership process update

12.1 ENTSO-E Observer Memberships

The General Counsel explains the guiding principles for assessing requirements foreseen in the AoA to be granted the status of Observer in ENTSO-E.

The General Counsel reports on the recent developments on membership matters. More specifically, regarding Ukrenergo's current Observer Member status in ENTSO-E, the Secretary-General explains the need to update Annex I of the Observer Membership Agreement with Ukrenergo.

12.2 Adherence to relevant platform MLAs (Ukrenergo)

The Chair of the Legal and Regulatory Group (LRG) reports on the envisaged Ukrenergo's adherence to the relevant platform Multi-lateral Agreements (MLAs). The Chair reports that on 9 May 2023, SOC approved the roadmap for the participation of Ukrenergo to the relevant operational processes and the corresponding MLAs, with the support of ICTC and LRG.

Decision

The Board

- takes note of the reporting;
- agrees with the guiding principles on Observer Member requirements;
- approves the update to Annex I of the Observer Membership Agreement (OMA) between ENTSO-E and Ukrenergo upon the proposal from the Market Committee; and
- confirms the Immediate entry into force of the above-mentioned updated Annex I.

13. Resources committee update incl. approach to fund the Digital Twin

The Chair of the Resources committee (Rc) reports on the topics addressed during the 16 May 2023 Rc meeting, including an outline of the Finance Reports with the 2023 Q1 forecast and the funding recommendation of the Digital Twin project, the recommendation for implementing an Enterprise Resource Planning (System) in the Secretariat, an update on the Belgian Social Legislation and on the Risk Management and Internal Audit.

Decision

The Board notes the Report from the Resources committee meetings of 16 May 2023.

14. Draft agenda of 28 June Assembly meeting – for Board approval

The President of the Assembly presents the 28 June Assembly draft agenda.

Decision

The Board approves the 28 June 2023 Assembly draft agenda subject to changes approved in the meeting.

15. Any other business

The Chair of the Board thanks for the good meeting.

16. Approval of decisions

Decision

The Board approves the decisions of the 1 June 2023 Board meeting.

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LIST OF PARTICIPANTS

Chair of the Board

1.	VANZETTA Joachim	Amprion	Germany
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Board Members

2.	BIERMANN Dirk (online)	50Hertz	Germany
3.	CORTINAS Damian	RTE	France
4.	DIERICK Maurice	Swissgrid	Switzerland
5.	DUPONT KRISTENSEN Søren	Energinet	Denmark
6.	GUIDA Guido (online)	Terna	Italy
7.	HANSEN Frank-Peter (excused)	TenneT	Netherlands
8.	PAPROCKI Robert	PSE	Poland
9.	PRIETO Eduardo	REE	Spain
10.	RYAN Liam	Eirgrid	Ireland
11.	VESKIMÄGI Taavi	Elering	Estonia
12.	ZARCHEV Dimitar	ESO	Bulgaria

President

1.	LAFFAYE Hervé	RTE	France
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Vice-President

1.	BOLDIŠ Zbyněk	CEPS	Czech Republic
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Committee Chairs

1.	BARMSNES Kjell <i>Chair of the Market Committee</i>	Statnett	Norway
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Committee Chairs

2.	KAENDLER Gerald <i>Chair of the System Development Committee</i>	Amprion	Germany
3.	BORGEN Håkon <i>Chair of the Research Dev. & Innovation Committee</i>	Statnett	Norway
4.	KAPETANOVIC Tahir <i>Chair of the System Operations Committee</i>	APG	Austria
5.	ELSKAMP Fokke <i>Chair of the Legal & Regulatory Group</i>	TenneT	Netherlands
6.	HARTMAN Radek <i>Chair of the Information and Communication Technologies Committee</i>	CEPS	Czech Republic

Invited

1.	BEUGER Lisa	Amprion	Germany
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3.	DECROIX Timothée	Swissgrid	Switzerland
4.	LENCZNAR Valerie-Anne (online)	RTE	France
5.	BREUER Lena	Amprion	Germany
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5.	VERSTRAETEN Christelle	ENTSO-E	Belgium
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7.	CONSTANTINESCU Norela	ENTSO-E	Belgium
8.	HAESEN Edwin	ENTSO-E	Belgium
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10.	DRIANE Evelyne	ENTSO-E	Belgium
11.	BREGU Ervis	ENTSO-E	Belgium
12.	MACABEO Bertrand	ENTSO-E	Belgium
13.	PUJAN Kamila	ENTSO-E	Belgium
14.	KUUSIK Maarja	ENTSO-E	Belgium