

ENTSO-E Board meeting of 17 April 2024

Date 17 April 2024

Time: 08:00-15:00 (EEST)

Place: Helsinki, Finland

MINUTES

1. Welcome, attendance, adoption of the draft agenda

Decision

The Board approves the agenda.

2. Secretary-General appointment process (ENTSO-E Board, ENTSO-E President and ENTSO-E Vice-President only)

The Chair of the Board (CoB) explains that the meeting on this agenda item is held only with ENTSO-E Board members, President and Vice-President to discuss the terms and options and to decide on the way forward for the appointment of the ENTSO-E Secretary-General (SG) because the mandate of the current SG ends on 31 December 2024.

The CoB gives the floor to the current SG for a statement. After the current SG left the room, the following topics are addressed by the meeting participants: appraisal of the performance of the current SG by CoB, compensation package and contract including benchmarks. Additional item for orientation on compensation referred to, is European Trade Association Compensation & Benefits 2023/24 Report available [here](#).

The CoB explains that one Board member cannot participate physically to today's meeting, but has expressed already before own preference, which is orally conveyed by CoB. Following discussion and appraisal, the Board unanimously agreed the following decision:

Decision

The Board:

- approves to initiate the reappointment process of the current ENTSO-E Secretary-General;
- and

- gives a mandate to the Chair of the Board to conclude, following the guidance given during the meeting and subject to Board and Assembly approvals, the negotiations and to present the outcome to the next Board meeting

3. Approval of the Minutes of the 31 January and 14 March Board meetings

Decision

The Board:

- approves the minutes of the Board meeting of 31 January 2024 for publication; and
- approves the minutes of the Board meeting 14 March 2024 for publication.

4. Main conclusions of the Board Workshop of 16 April 2024 – for Board approval

The Chair of the Board recalls the outcomes of the Board Workshop.

Decision

BW TOP 2 – ENTSO-E 2025 update on the initial planning

The Board:

- notes that the draft ENTSO-E Annual Work Program 2025 is being prepared in accordance with the legal mandates of ENTSO-E and the Strategic Roadmap;
- notes the next steps in the 2025 Resource Planning Process; and
- notes the approach and timeline for the 2025 Budget process including the 5-Year Plan.

BW TOP 3 – Strategic roadmap and prioritization exercise Involvement of Committees

The Board:

- endorses the proposals of respective Committees, LRG and PCG to reflect the Association Strategic Roadmap; and
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- acknowledges the list of 2025 activities presented by the Committees, LRG and PCG, with a classification based on the strategic roadmap.

BW TOP 4 – ICT Strategy

The Board acknowledges the ICT Strategy approach.

BW TOP 5 – Grid Infrastructure Group update

The Board:

- notes the summary from the High Level Roundtable on Electricity Grids organized by ENTSO-E on 25 March 2024;
- endorses the recommendations concerning Supply Chain, Financing, Regulatory framework and Long Term Planning that build on progress made regarding the EU Grid Action Plan; and
- approves the steps to establish a Finance Advisory Group, as an Expert Group reporting to the Board.

BW TOP 6 – ENTSO-E priorities for the new Commission

The Board decides to approve the updates on the consolidated list of priorities in the context of EU Elections based on the Assembly and Board comments.

BW TOP 7 – Pan European flexibility needs assessment.

The Board acknowledges the reporting of the draft results of pan European Flexibility Needs Assessment.

5. Secretary-General Updates

The Secretary-General provides a short debrief on the high-level engagement activities, strategic meetings and other developments that the Board Members should be informed about since the last Board meeting on 14 March 2024. The Secretary-General updates the Board on the 2024 Member Engagement Plan, on the new myENTSO-E SharePoint platform go-live progress, on the key dates for the Member Satisfaction Survey 2024, and on the External Advisory Group's first meeting.

Decision

The Board acknowledges the report of the Secretary-General.

6.1 Committees/Legal Regulatory Group updates to the Board

The Chair of the Systems Operations Committee (SOC) reports on the flow changes and ramping restrictions on the interconnectors between Great-Britain and Continental Europe.

The Chair of the System Development Committee (SDC) reports on the ERAA and explains that the Board of Regulator decision on the ERAA 2023 is expected in April. He presents a set of recommendations about the future European Resource Adequacy Assessments beyond 2024, based on lessons learnt from previous editions.

The Chair of the Market Committee (MC) reports on the status of the drafting of Network Code on Demand Response in cooperation with the DSO Entity and the timeline leading to its submission to ACER. He also reports on the latest interaction with ACER on market related issues.

The Chair of the Research Development and Innovation Committee (RDIC) presents the status of work regarding the Smart Grid Indicators.

Decision

The Board:

- notes the reporting on the flow changes on the interconnectors between Great-Britain and Continental Europe;
- notes the status of the drafting of the Network Code on Demand Response in cooperation with the DSO Entity;
- notes the reporting on the recent interactions with ACER on market-related matters; and
- notes the reporting on the Smart Grid Indicators.

6.2 Resources committee reporting

The Chair of the Resources committee (Rc) reports on the topics addressed during the 6 March 2024 Rc meeting, including the Risk Workshop, the Resourcing and Finance Reports, the update on the new Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) Project and the Report on the Major Expenditure Projects. The Chair of the Rc announces the resignation of Françoise Curtillet from her position of financial expert in the Resources committee. He thanks her for her valuable contribution and persisting dedication to the Rc work. He announces that a call for candidates is to be launched soon.

Decision

The Board:

- notes the report from the Resources committee meeting of 6 March 2024; and

- notes the outcomes of the selection procedure in which Elia has been awarded a contract for the provision to ENTSO-E of EU Public Procurement support services under Belgian law.

7. Strategy for Cooperation with Gas and Hydrogen Sectors (for Board Guidance)

The Convenor of the Task Force on Gas Cooperation Strategy reports on the progress on the development of an ENTSO-E strategy paper on engagement with the gas and hydrogen sectors to be presented to the Board for approval in June 2024.

Decision

The Board:

- acknowledges the reporting; and
- notes the development of a strategy paper on cooperation with the gas and hydrogen sectors.

8. Common TSO-DSO work plan 2024-2025 – for Board approval

The Convenor of Expert Group TSO-DSO (EG TSO-DSO) presents the final version of a common TSO-DSO work plan 2024-25 (Executive Summary) for Board approval following the alignment with Committees' representatives of the EG TSO-DSO and further exchanges with the EU DSO Entity.

Decision

The Board:

- acknowledges the reporting of the Convenor of the Expert Group TSO-DSO; and
- approves the common TSO-DSO work plan 2024-25 (Executive Summary) developed with the EU DSO Entity.

9. Offshore

9.1 Expert Group milestones in coming year

9.2 Engagements with technology providers

The Convenor of the Offshore Expert Group (Offshore EG) presents the work done so far by the Offshore EG since its inception in January. He outlines the planning for the main activities in 2024, including the performance of a gap analysis to identify issues that potentially negatively impact the

fast, robust, and efficient offshore integration, and related internal and external stakeholder engagement steps.

Decision

The Board:

- acknowledges the reporting; and
- notes the planned stakeholder engagement activities.

9.3 Offshore cost sharing

The Chair of the Market Committee (MC) explains the latest developments on offshore cost sharing, focusing on the ENTSO-E response to the EC informal targeted consultation on Collaborative Investment Frameworks for Offshore Energy Projects (the EC consultation) and on the development of ENTSO-E Position Paper. He explains that following the Assembly, Board and Offshore Expert Group guidance, the MC consensually finalised and approved ENTSO-E response to the EC consultation focussing mostly on technical questions while raising awareness on the challenges and implications of the different options. The Chair of the MC then presents the emerging key messages of ENTSO-E position on Offshore Cost Sharing. He explains that the Position Paper should be finalised by the end of 2024, depending on its final scope and upcoming policy developments.

Decision

The Board:

- acknowledges the submission of ENTSO-E response to the EC Consultation on “Collaborative investment frameworks for offshore energy projects”; and
- supports the emerging key messages of ENTSO-E position on Offshore Cost Sharing to be used as basis for public communication subject to Board and Assembly approval and as a basis for development of a Position Paper subject to Assembly approval.

10. ENTSO-E Strategic Roadmap Communication Plan

The Convenor of the Policy and Communication Expert Group (PCG) presents an update of the implementation of the Strategic Communication Plan. The Convenor of the Policy and Communication Expert Group (PCG) specifies that reporting will be presented to the Board on a regular basis.

Decision

The Board approves the update of the Strategic Communication Plan.

11. Common Grid Model: Status update and action plan

The Chair of the System Operations Committee (SOC) summarizes the progress made since the go-live of the Operational Planning Data Environment and the Common Grid Model (CGM) service in December 2021. He then presents the status of the main CGM performance metrics to the Board and presents the action plan developed by SOC in order to further improve these metrics.

Decision

The Board acknowledges the reporting on the Common Grid Model and the related action plan.

12. Energy Community Task Force: Capacity Calculation Regions (CCRs) Options

The Chair of the Legal and Regulatory Group (LRG) updates the Board on the recent developments within the Energy Community Task Force, specifically on the progress towards the operationalisation of default Italy-Montenegro and East Europe Capacity Calculation Regions, as well as the discussions on the Capacity Calculation Regions Options in the South-East Europe region.

Decision

The Board notes the update from the Energy Community Task Force on the Capacity Calculation Regions Options in the South-East Europe region, as well as the progress towards the operationalisation of default Italy-Montenegro and East Europe Capacity Calculation Regions.

13. Any other business

13.1 Annual stakeholder forums organised by the European Commission in 2024: delegations and mandates – for Board approval

The Head of the Business Planning section informs the Board members about the upcoming external meetings (fora) organised by the European Commission. He asks for the approval of the proposed delegations to represent the Association.

Decision

The Board:

- appoints the delegations for the forums; and
- mandates the delegation to prepare messages and represent ENTSO-E based on approved ENTSO-E positions.

13.2 Cancellation of the placeholder for additional Board meeting on 14 May

The Chair of the Board informs Board members that the placeholder for the additional Board meeting on 14 May is cancelled.

14. Approval of decisions

Decision

The Board approves the decisions of the 17 April 2024 Board meeting.

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LIST OF PARTICIPANTS

Chair of the Board

1.	CORTINAS Damian	RTE	France
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Vice-Chair of the Board

1.	KAPETANOVIC Tahir	APG	Austria
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Board Members

1.	BIERMANN Dirk	50Hertz	Germany
2.	CARLINI Enrico Maria	TERNA	Italy
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5.	DE LA TORRE Miguel	REE	Spain
6.	BRUUN Johannes	Energinet	Denmark
7.	REIMANN Nell	Swissgrid	Switzerland
8.	RYAN Liam	Eirgrid	Ireland
9.	WEDUM Anne Elisabeth	Statnett	Norway
10.	WARZYWODA Remigiusz	PSE	Poland

President

1.	BOLDIŠ Zbyněk	ČEPS	Czech Republic
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Vice-President

1.	SIHVONEN PUNKKA Asta	Fingrid	Finland
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Committee Chairs

1.	BARMSNES Kjell <i>Chair of the Market Committee</i>	Statnett	Norway
2.	KAENDLER Gerald	Amprion	Germany

Committee Chairs

Chair of the System Development Committee

3.	SALOBIR Uroš <i>Chair of the Research Dev. & Innovation Committee</i>	ELES	Slovenia
4.	ARRIVÉ Olivier <i>Chair of the System Operations Committee</i>	RTE	France
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>	ČEPS	Czech Republic

Invited

1.	DECROIX Timothée	Swissgrid	Switzerland
2.	CROES Alan (online)	TenneT	Netherlands
3.	DARQUENNES Theo	RTE	France
4.	HAIDER Ali	Fingrid	Finland
5.	KUGLER Ondřej	ČEPS	Czech Republic

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4.	GYULAY Zoltan	ENTSO-E	Belgium
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6.	GOUVERNEUR Bruno	ENTSO-E	Belgium
7.	CONSTANTINESCU Norela	ENTSO-E	Belgium
8.	HAESEN Edwin	ENTSO-E	Belgium
9.	RICHET Nicolas	ENTSO-E	Belgium
10.	DRIANE Evelyne	ENTSO-E	Belgium
11.	MACABEO Bertrand (online)	ENTSO-E	Belgium
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