

# TERRE Stakeholder Workshop meeting

17<sup>th</sup> May 2024

**Q&A**

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Start: 9:00 end: 10:15 (CET/CEST)

Speakers: Kamil SMOLIRA (TERRE Chairman) and Javier de la CUEVA (technical expert)

- The meeting has been recorded, please click on the following link to watch the meeting: [link](#).

### **Presentation**

*Kamil SMOLIRA (TERRE Chairman, PSE) presented all slides and answered to the majority of questions.*

*Javier de la CUEVA (Technical Expert, Red Eléctrica) completed some answers with technical inputs.*

*Vanessa BRUN (SC member, RTE) answered to a specific question concerning RTE.*

### **Q&A**

*Following questions were asked during the meeting through the Q&A tool:*

- Question 1: Hi, will we be able to have the presentation to review it later?
  - Written answer from ENTSO-E: Hello, the presentation is already published at the TERRE ENTSO-E Sub-page ([link](#)).
- Question 2: Does this mean there are no plans for a replacement platform for TERRE in the future?
  - Kamil SMOLIRA: answers there is not any plan to have a platform for RR cross border exchanges. As displayed in slide 9, with an Intraday Gate Closure Time at H-30 minutes, there is not enough time for RR exchanges like in TERRE. Even if we try to reduce FAT and significantly shorten bidding and activation process, the delivery period would be the same than in MARI and both processes would be similar, splitting the liquidity into to markets.
- Question 3: Is this decision final or up to NRA approval?
  - Kamil SMOLIRA: shares NRAs are already aware of the situation, TSOs and NRAs are seeing how to proceed with the end of the project legally, but it is technically not possible to continue the TERRE project. The new EMDR forces the end of the project even if it is in contradiction with the EBGL.
- Question 4: When a TSO leaves, how will they organize their RR market?
  - Kamil SMOLIRA: this question should be discussed at national level with TSOs. He adds some TSOs plan to disconnect soon from the platform and some are analysing how they will balance their system without the TERRE project. It is up to each TSO to decide how they will organize.
- Question 5: Does this mean that cross-border will remain at 60min granularity at FR-ES and FR-CH border until end of 2025?
  - Kamil SMOLIRA: answers it may but it is not necessary. Cross-border granularity will be discussed bilaterally between concerned TSOs.
  - Javier de la CUEVA: confirms all cross-border granularity changes will be done upon bilateral agreement. If there is any change TSOs will inform their Balancing Service Providers (BSPs) in due time.
- Question 6: Would it be possible to extend the MARI mFRR FAT from 12.5 to 20min for example?

- Kamil SMOLIRA: says it is more a question to be asked to the MARI project. He precises it may not be so easy because of the legal framework, e.g., time required by SOGL to restore frequency, and the timing of the mFRR process (the process starts at H-25 so it should be difficult to extend the FAT to 20 minutes).
- Question 7: Am I understanding it correctly that for example the RR market in RTE that can be delivered from Amprion Grid will therefore have to stop?
  - Kamil SMOLIRA: shares Amprion is not part of the TERRE project, so they are not exchanging RR products through the TERRE platform. The end of the TERRE project will mark the end of RR cross border exchanges.
  - Vanessa BRUN: precises exchanges between RTE and Amprion a part of bilateral contract (which is a very different context than exchanging with the TERRE platform). So far, Amprion and RTE agreed to keep using this agreement until end 2025. Then, both TSOs will stop using it and use MARI. The end of these exchanges is not linked to the end of TERRE, it is due to the connection of RTE to the MARI platform.
- Question 8: Does this mean that Intraday resolution will move to 15 minutes only in 2026 for those TSOs which are planning on using TERRE until that time?
  - Kamil SMOLIRA: answers these TSOs will continue with 24 Intraday Gate Closure Time as long as they use TERRE with 24 gates. They will probably use 15-minute products, but the scheduling gates will be each hour. The topic should be discussed with your respective TSOs.
- Question 9: Do any TSOs plan to introduce any non-standardized (local) balancing products in order to replace RR and not to lose the capacity which could not be potentially provided as mFRR due to FAT?
  - Kamil SMOLIRA: reminds it is up to each TSO to organize themselves, while being compliant with the legal framework.
- Question 10 – Milen Kostov as representant of Verification Platform operating entity: shares the resulting schedules of the TERRE platform are being sent to the Verification Platform system. He informs that as the TERRE platform will be decommissioned some change of configuration will have to be done with the Verification Platform. He asks if there will be a specific project organization to coordinate activities with other platforms in use.
  - Kamil SMOLIRA: confirms the end of TERRE is going to be organized and structured in advance by TSOs, the coordination with other platforms will also be covered by the project.
- Written clarification from RR NRAs: Just a clarification from RR NRAs. We are still discussing with TSOs the legal way to close the platform and the consequences, but at the moment we don't see room for keeping RR process at local level without an established platform; this seems not compliant with the EU regulations.
- Question 11: Good morning, can you kindly confirm if the slides will be shared at the end? Thank you?

- Written answer from ENTSO-E: Yes, they are already available at the TERRE subpage of ENTSOE ([link](#)).
- Question 12: Are TSOs still able to have local RR markets without cross border exchange?
  - Kamil SMOLIRA: answers it could be technically possible with some changes to respect the new Intraday Gate Closure time set to 30 minutes before real time. But, as stipulated by RR NRAs, the legal feasibility still has to be ensured.