International Frequency Containment Reserve (FCR) cooperation: Denmark and Slovenia joining the coupled French, Belgian, German, Dutch, Swiss & Austrian markets

Eles and Energinet, together with their TSO partners, announce the successful go-live of the first common cross border FCR auction held on the 18th of January for the delivery periods of the 19th of January. As announced via the previous joint market information in December, the common cross border FCR auctions now include participation of the French, Belgian, German, Dutch, Swiss, Austrian, Slovenian and Danish balancing service providers (BSPs). This common FCR market is the largest FCR market in Europe, with a total demand of +/- 1444MW.

The FCR cooperation creates a more liquid market from the TSO demand side and unlocks new sales options to the participating balancing service providers. The FCR-obligations are shifted between countries while respecting the European Network Code provisions. The FCR common market will result in a more efficient procurement of FCR and will at the same time reduce the risk of shortage in FCR supply for TSO’s, which increases overall system security.