ENTSO-E Assembly meeting of 30 June 2022

Date: 30 June 2022

Time: 10:30-15:30

Place: Brussels and online

MINUTES

1. Welcome, verification of attendance, quorum, voting rights, approval of the agenda

The Vice-President welcomes the participants to the ENTSO-E Assembly meeting. He thanks the participants for joining the meeting in person and online and provides guidance to ensure a smooth and efficient running of the meeting.

Decision

- The quorum is verified since the Representatives in attendance hold 100% of the first part of the voting rights, and 100% of the second part of the voting rights of the Association. The attendance form is annexed to these minutes (Appendix 1).

- The agenda is approved.

2. Report from the Chair of the Board incl. all committees and projects under the Board

The Chair of the Board presents the main issues on which the Board has worked since the last Assembly meeting. He outlines the work done on high energy prices and market design, explaining that positioning on long-term market design reform is being developed by the Market Committee considering the REPowerEU package and ENTSO-E Vision work. Concerning Energy Community, he presents the work done by the ENTSO-E Energy Community Task Force and the input provided to the EnC and the EC in relation to the adaptation of the EU Energy legislation in the Energy Community Contracting Parties. He provides a status report on the electricity trade between Ukraine and the neighbouring TSOs. He then updates on key projects, such as the implementation of the Active 2020+ Priority Areas, with a focus on Cyber Security and Transparency Platform, on the Baltic project and on the CGM project, including a report on TSOs and RSC readiness which is closely monitored. He concludes by presenting the new offshore engagement project.

The Chair of the Resource committee (Rc) and the Chair of the Digital committee (Dc) inform the Assembly members on the key activities of their respective committee since the last Assembly meeting.

The Vice-Chair of the Policy and Communication Group (PCG) presents the state of play of the ongoing legislative discussions on the Fit for 55 and on the Gas/H2 Packages. She highlights other

initiatives which are expected to have significance for the power system including the REPowerEU Plan, the F-Gas Regulation revision and initiatives supporting digitalisation.

The Convener of the Steering Group T&DI presents the latest developments regarding the common Distribution & Transmission work plan 2022-23 from the EU DSO Entity and ENTSO-E. He updates on the ENTSO-E response to the ACER public consultation on the draft Framework Guideline on Demand Response and informs about the possibility of a new legal mandate in coordination with the EU DSO Entity on data interoperability.

Decision

The Assembly notes the reporting.

3. Special Strategic Discussion for Assembly Members: 2022/2023 Winter Adequacy Risks and impact for TSO Community

The Vice-President gives the floor to the Chair of the Board, to the Chair of the System Development Committee (SDC) and to the Vice-Chair of the Policy and Communication Group (PCG) to introduce the discussion with Assembly members on anticipated adequacy risks for Winter 2022/2023 and risk preparedness measures at European and national levels. The SDC Chair updates the Assembly members about European electricity security of supply risks for the forthcoming winter season in view of the ongoing war in Ukraine and expected Russian fuel import disruptions. He recalls that TSOs and ENTSO-E have a key role in informing on adequacy risks at all timeframes from short to long-term. The SDC Chair further presents the seasonal outlook draft workplan for the coming months, highlighting the importance of anticipating the preparation for next winter, for which adequacy risks are identified.

The PCG Vice-Chair provides an update on the REPowerEU Plan and the measures and actions proposed by the European Commission to address scarcity and risks to system security as well as the implications for the TSO community and ENTSO-E.

Three members (RTE, Fingrid and ESO) present the situation they will face this winter as well as measures already taken to address risk adequacy. The Secretary-General then outlines to Assembly members the need for a Stakeholder and Communication preparedness plan which would support the TSOs engagement and communication with policymakers and the wider stakeholder community over the winter period.

Decision

The Assembly notes the risks to adequacy for this winter and the role of ENTSO-E to highlight anticipated adequacy risks.

4. Election of the Chair of the Information and Communication Technologies Committee (ICTC)

The Vice-President outlines the main procedural milestones leading to today's elections, in compliance with the Articles of Association and the Internal Regulations and notably that the documentation concerning the nomination was circulated on 30 May 2022 to Assembly members. He proposes that as already undertaken for the previous elections, the vote takes place using the electronic voting tool. He gives the floor to the General Counsel to explain the voting process. He then launches the election.

Decision

The Assembly:

- takes note that there is one candidate for the open position of the Chair of the Information and Communication Technologies Committee;

- unanimously agrees that the vote will be organised by using the electronic election tool; and

- appoints external lawyers to calculate, interpret and communicate the results of the vote.

5.1 ENTSO-E 2023 Annual Work Programme before the launch of the public consultation – for Assembly approval

The Vice-President gives the floor to the Chair of the Board and the Chair of the Resources committee for their introductory remarks for 2023 AWP, Initial Resource and Budget Planning. The Secretary-General then reminds the process to develop the 2023 Annual Work Programme (AWP 2023) and presents its main features. She recalls that the AWP 2023 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 2023 Budget proposal. As to the next steps, the Secretary-General announces that after Assembly approval of the AWP 2023, public consultation will take place during July and August. The AWP 2023 will then be finalised for Assembly approval in October considering the relevant remarks from the public consultation and the outcome of the finalisation of the Budget 2023 which will be submitted to Assembly approval at the same time.

Decision

The Assembly:

- approves the draft ENTSO-E Annual Work Programme 2023 to the Assembly for public consultation which contains an explanation that the final AWP will outline the prioritized activities for 2023 in accordance with the 2023 Final Budget and will be implemented in a smart and adaptive way;

- notes that the draft ENTSO-E Annual Work Programme 2023 has been developed in accordance with the legal mandates of ENTSO-E;

- notes that draft ENTSO-E Annual Work Programme 2023 will be updated and provided to the Board and Assembly in October meetings for final approval prior to its submission to ACER for opinion and publication on the ENTSO-E website before the end of 2022.

5.2 ENTSO-E 2023 Initial Resource Plan and 2023-2027 High-Level Resource Plan

The Vice-President gives the floor to the Vice-Chair of the Board and Chair of the Resources committee, and to the Secretary-General who explains the result of the resources planning for 2023 and the following years. They inform that the planning is based on the draft AWP for 2023 and provides resources information for tasks as continued from 2022, for additional tasks as from 2023 and - for the first time – for ENTSO-E as a whole, including resource needs for AWP tasks in projects on the Committee level. They explain 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 2023 Final Resource Plan to the Board and Assembly for approval.

Decision

The Assembly:

- notes the ENTSO-E 2023 Initial Resource Plan and the 2023-2027 High-Level Resource Plan have been developed in accordance with the legal mandates of ENTSO-E and the 2023 Initial Budget; and

- notes that the Final Resource Plan for 2023 will be updated and provided to the Board and Assembly in October meetings for final approval.

5.3 ENTSO-E 2023 Initial Budget Proposal

The Vice-President gives the floor to the Vice-Chair of the Board and Chair of the Resources committee, and to the Secretary-General who presents the 2023 Initial Budget Proposal that has been prepared by the Secretariat together with the Committees, LRG/PCG and the Digital committee in accordance with the proposed 2023 Annual Work Programme and the Initial Resources Plan.

The Secretary-General explains that the Secretariat seeks Assembly guidance on the proposal for refinement before approval of the 2023 Final Budget in the October Assembly.

Decision

The Assembly notes the 2023 Initial Budget in terms of Membership and Non-Membership activities and which has been developed in accordance with the draft 2023 Annual Work Programme.

6. Endorsement of the 2021 Annual Accounts – for Assembly approval

The Vice-President gives the floor to the Vice-Chair of the Board and Chair of the Resources committee (Rc). He reports on the recommendation of the Board to submit ENTSO-E 2021 Annual Accounts to Assembly for approval, explaining that this recommendation has been confirmed and reported by the Rc based on its 20 May 2022 meeting with the statutory auditors, BDO, who provided an unqualified audit opinion.

Decision

The Assembly:

- notes that the statutory audit by BDO has been completed with an unqualified audit opinion;

- based on the recommendation from the Board, approves the 2021 annual accounts showing a total Balance Sheet of 28.160.328,21 euros and a Net Result of -692.001,45 euros;

- allocates the net loss to the reserves totalizing 14.699.534,49 euros;

- grants discharge to the Board Members and the statutory auditors for the performance of their duties during the 2021 financial year; and

- authorises the members of the Secretariat, each acting alone and with the power of substitution, to file the Statutory Annual Accounts duly signed by its President and its Chair of the Board with the registry of the French-speaking Trade Court of Brussels.

7. ENTSO-E 2021 Membership Survey:

7.1 Survey 2021 Key Priority Areas- Advocacy Implementation Plan for Assembly approval

7.2 Preliminary findings from the 2022 Membership Survey

The Vice-President gives the floor to the Vice-Chair of the Policy and Communication Group (PCG), who reminds the Assembly of the workstreams' objectives. She further presents the Advocacy Implementation Plan for ENTSO-E as well as the key points outlined under the Strategic Communication Plan.

The President gives the floor to the Secretary-General who outlines the preliminary findings from the 2022 Membership Survey.

Decision

The Assembly adopts the Advocacy Implementation Plan.

8. ENTSO-E Position Paper: Power System for a Carbon Neutral Europe – Key messages – for Assembly approval

The Vice-President gives the floor to the Project Manager of Vision 2050. The Project Manager updates Assembly Members on the status of the work. He explains the recent milestones to develop, consult and approve the ENTSO-E Vision by the Committees and the Board. He then updates Members on the recent stakeholder engagement, which has provided positive and constructive feedback. Lastly, he outlines the next foreseen steps to finalise the position paper on the basis of the internal Vision Paper and announces that the position paper is expected to be submitted for approval in September to both Board and Assembly, prior to its publication during ENTSO-E Annual Conference in October.

Decision

The Assembly:

- approves the key messages of the ENTSO-E Vision: "A Power System for a Carbon Neutral Europe"; and
- confirms the updated project timeline, including the written approval process for the position paper before the annual conference on October 2022.

9. Corporate Project

The Vice-President presents the status update of the Project, recalling past milestones, including the Assembly approval of the High-Level Principles of the Project on 31 March 2022.

The Vice-President outlines the draft implementation of the High-Level Principles that is now submitted to Assembly approval and concludes by presenting the next phases of the Project.

Decision

The Assembly:

- notes the status report and the next phases of the Project; and
- approves the draft implementation of the High-Level Principles of the Corporate Project, as circulated in the session file and subject to the changes agreed at the meeting as well as the further steps of the timeline of the Project.

10. Election of the Chair of the Information and Communication Technologies Committee (ICTC) – announcement of results

The Vice-President announces the result of the voting. The President congratulates the newly elected Chair of the Information and Communication Technologies Committee (ICTC) and formulates wishes of success for the newly created Committee. He explains that the new Chair is elected for a term of

one year expiring immediately after the June 2023 Annual Assembly, to align the timing future election process with the election timing of the other Committees' Chairs.

The Vice-President warmly thanks the current Digital committee Chair for the work successfully led under the Digital committee and for the preparation and setting up of the new ICTC.

Decision

The Assembly:

- appoints Radek Hartman for the position of Chair of the Information and Communication Technologies Committee; and

- authorises Ms Sonya Twohig, Secretary-General of ENTSO-E, acting alone and with full power of substitution, to do whatever is necessary or useful for the accomplishment of all formalities with a view to the publication of the present resolution in the Annexes to the Belgian Official Gazette, and if need be, the registration/amendment of the records in the Crossroads Bank for Enterprises.

11. Any other business

• Governance and Voting Tool (GVT) go-live planning
• CN MLA – Signing by ENTSO-E

The Vice-President gives the floor to the General Counsel who presents the functionalities and main benefits for Members of the new voting tool. She explains that the objective is to use the tool for all ENTSO-E decision-making bodies.

The General Counsel informs Assembly Members of the signature of the Communication Networks Multi-Lateral Agreement by ENTSO-E.

Decision

The Assembly:

- approves the implementation and use of the new Governance and Voting tool across all ENTSO-E decision-making bodies; and
- notes the reporting on the signature of the Communication Networks Multi-Lateral Agreement.

12. Approval of the Minutes

The Vice-President thanks all attendees for their participation in the meeting, as well as the Secretariat for the preparation.
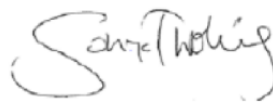
Decision (not at the meeting)

The Assembly approves the minutes of its meeting of 30 June 2022 and allows their publication on the ENTSO-E website.

Done in Brussels on 30 June 2022.

Hervé LAFFAYE
President

Sonya TWOHIG
Secretary-General

List of Participants

ENTSO-E Assembly Meeting
Brussels and online

Date: 30 June 2022

President

1.	LAFFAYE Hervé (online)	RTE	France

Vice-President

2.	BOLDIŠ Zbyněk	ČEPS	Czech Republic

Assembly members and substitutes

1.	REYER Frank Proxy holder	Amprion CREOS	Germany Luxembourg
2.	KARALL Thomas (online)	APG	Austria
3.	JĒKABSONE Gunta	AST-AS	Latvia
4.	KOPÝTKOVÁ Petra	ČEPS	Czech Republic
5.	DERETIĆ Milica (online)	CGES	Montenegro
6.	STAVRINOS Stavros (online)	Cyprus TSO	Cyprus
7.	RYAN Liam*	EirGrid	Ireland
8.	VESKIMÄGI Taavi*	Elering	Estonia
9.	SALOBIR Uroš	ELES	Slovenia
10.	FONCK Pascale Proxy holder	Elia 50Hertz	Belgium Germany
11.	ĐUKIĆ Branislav (online)	EMS	Serbia
12.	EGEBO Thomas	Energinet	Denmark
13.	ZARCHEV Dimitar*	ESO EAD	Bulgaria
14.	SIHVONEN PUNKKA Asta	Fingrid	Finland

15.	MEDIMOREC Damjan	HOPS	Croatia
16.	KAMPOURIS Ioannis (online)	IPTO SA	Greece
17.	ÁSMUNDSSON Guðmundur	Landsnet	Iceland
18.	VARANAVIČIUS Liutauras	Litgrid	Lithuania
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20.	TIHANYI Zoltán	MAVIR	Hungary
21.	MURTEZANI Orhan	MEPSO	North Macedonia
22.	NEZIRI NUSHI Ilda	OST	Albania
23.	PAPROCKI Robert*	PSE	Poland
24.	PRIETO Eduardo*	REE	Spain
25.	JOSÉ CLARA Maria	REN	Portugal
26.	THOUVENIN Vincent	RTE	France
27.	DOVALA Jozef	SEPS	Slovak Republic
28.	CAMPBELL Alan (online)	SONI	Northern Ireland
29.	MEDELIUS Lotta (online)	Svenska Kraftnät	Sweden
30.	TONNE Hilde	Statnett	Norway
31.	SPICKER Jörg	Swissgrid	Switzerland
32.	SCHMIDT Ingo	TenneT TSO GmbH TenneT TSO BV	Germany Netherlands
33.	GUIDA Guido (online)	TERNA	Italy
34.	TATARU Florin Cristian	Transelectrica	Romania
35.	SCHORN Christian	TransnetBW	Germany
36.	PETER Hubert	VUEN	Austria
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ANNEX 1

Additional Representatives

1.	BEUGER Lisa	Amprion	Germany
2.	ALEKSOSKI Borko	MEPSO	North Macedonia
3.	RILAK Nikola	MEPSO	North Macedonia
5.	LENCZNAR Valerie-Anne	RTE	France
6.	BERNAT Gabriel	SEPS	Slovak Republic
7.	GRAMMELTVEDT Thor Erik	Statnett	Norway
8.	VERCELLIN Annachiara *Policy & Communication Group*	TERNA	Italy

Chair of the Board

1.	VANZETTA Joachim	Amprion	Germany

Vice-Chair of the Board

2.	RYAN Liam	Eirgrid	Ireland

Board Members and Committees/LRG Chairs

3.	CORTINAS Damian	RTE	France
5.	DIERICK Maurice (online)	Swissgrid	Switzerland
6.	DUPONT KRISTENSEN Søren (online)	Energinet	Denmark
10.	GUIDA GUIDO *Digital committee* (online)	TERNA	Italy
10.	FOKKE Elskamp *Legal and Regulatory Group*	TenneT TSO BV	The Netherlands
11.	BARMSNES Kjell A. *Market Committee*	Statnett	Norway
12.	KAENDLER Gerald *System Development Committee*	Amprion	Germany
13.	KAPETANOVIC Tahir *System Operations Committee*	APG	Austria
14.	BORGEN Håkon *Research, Development & Innovation Committee*	Statnett	Norway
15.	DECROIX Timothée *Policy & Communication Group*	Swissgrid	Switzerland

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2.	GOUVERNEUR Bruno	ENTSO-E	Belgium
3.	GYULAY Zoltan	ENTSO-E	Belgium
4.	LAWLER Derek	ENTSO-E	Belgium
5.	HAESEN Edwin	ENTSO-E	Belgium
6.	MELCHIOR Florence	ENTSO-E	Belgium
7.	FRICKE Guido (online)	ENTSO-E	Belgium
8.	RICHET Nicolas	ENTSO-E	Belgium
9.	CONSTANTINESCU Norela	ENTSO-E	Belgium
10.	PUJAN Kamila	ENTSO-E	Belgium
11.	KUUSIK Maarja	ENTSO-E	Belgium