

ENTSO-E Assembly meeting of 28 June 2023

Date: 28 June 2023

Time: 09:00-15:00

Place: Brussels

MINUTES

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

The 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, subject to the changes approved during the meeting.

2. ENTSO-E Elections 2023: Election of the Vice-President and 11 Board Members

The President reminds the main procedural milestones leading to today's election, in compliance with the Articles of Association and the Internal Regulations. He notes that for the position of Vice-President, there is one candidate and that for the 11 positions of Board member there are 14 candidates

He proposes that as already undertaken for the previous election in March, the vote will take place using the electronic voting tool and as a single combined ballot. He gives the floor to the ENTSO-E the Secretary-General Counsel to explain the practicalities of the voting process and he then launches the elections and announces that the result will be communicated under agenda item 10.

Decision

The Assembly:

- appoints two lawyers, namely Maître Frank Hellemans and Maître Coralie Ringoot to calculate, interpret and communicate the results of the votes;
- takes note that there is one candidate for the open position of Vice-President and that there are 14 candidates for the 11 open positions of Board members; and

- unanimously agrees to proceed with the election for all positions within a combined election session using the electronic election tool.

3. Report from the Chair of the Board incl. all Committees and projects under the Board

The Chair of the Board presents the main points on which the Board has worked since the last Assembly meeting and which are not covered elsewhere in the agenda. He outlines the work done by the Committees and Legal and Regulatory Group. He presents an update on the situation in Ukraine and Moldova.

The Secretary-General reports on the topics addressed during the 16 May 2023 Resources committee 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 and an update on the Belgian Social Legislation and on the Risk Management and Internal Audit.

The Chair of the Steering Group T&D Interface (StG T&D) 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. He presents the status of the work on the Network Code on Demand Response and the alignment with the DSO Entity on recent amendments proposals

The Vice-Convenor of the Policy and Communication Group (PCG) presents the state of play of the latest policy development on the Fit for 55 Package, the Gas/H2 package provisions, the F-gas Regulation, the Net-Zero Industry Act and the Electricity Market Design Reform.

The Chair of the Market Committee further details to the members the status of the legislative process of the Electricity Market Design Reform. He presents the latest updates from the Council discussions and summarises how the text proposals have evolved in the areas of higher relevance for ENTSO-E and TSOs.

Decision

The Assembly:

- notes the reporting; and
- notes the work of the Task Force on the Electricity Market Design Reform.

4.1 2024 Annual Work Programme (AWP) before the launch of the public consultation

The Secretary-General explains the process to develop the Annual Work Programme 2024 (AWP 2024) and provides a status update to the Assembly Members. She recalls that the AWP 2024 has been developed to focus on legal mandates and has been aligned with the 5-year Budget and the 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 after the Assembly approval, public consultation will take place during 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 Assembly:

- notes that the draft ENTSO-E Annual Work Programme 2024 has been developed in accordance with the legal mandates of ENTSO-E; and
- approves the draft ENTSO-E Annual Work Programme 2024 for public consultation.

4.2 2024 Initial Resource Plan

The Secretary-General presents the resources planning for 2024. She informs that the planning is based on the draft Annual Work Programme (AWP) for 2024 and provides resources information for tasks as continued from 2023 and for additional tasks as from 2024, including resource needs for AWP tasks in projects on the Committee level. She explains the next steps leading to presenting the final version of the Plan for Board and Assembly approvals.

Decision

The Assembly notes the ENTSO-E 2024 Initial Resource Plan enabling ENTSO-E to plan its resource needs and ensuring involvement of the Members.

4.3 2024 Initial Budget Proposal incl. 5-year planning

The Secretary-General present the 2024 Initial Budget Proposal which has been prepared in collaboration with the Committees and LRG/PCG and in accordance with the proposed 2024 Annual Work Programme and the Initial Resources Plan. She explains that the 2024 Initial Budget Proposal considers the approved Budget Key Principles presented at the Assembly meeting of 30 March 2023, the lessons learned from previous Budget processes and the Members' Survey findings.

The Secretary-General clarifies that the Secretariat seeks Assembly guidance on the proposal for refinement before approval of the 2024 Final Budget in the October Assembly.

Decision

The Assembly notes the 2024 Initial Budget Proposal derived from the 2024 Initial Annual Work Programme and 2024 Resources Planning which is to be funded by Membership and Other fees.

5. Endorsement of the 2022 ENTSO-E Annual Accounts

The Secretary-General reports on the recommendation of the Board to submit ENTSO-E 2022 Annual Accounts to the 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 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 2022 Annual Accounts showing a total balance sheet of 70.721.813,91 € and a net result of -3.367.760,64 €;
- allocates the negative net result to the reserves totalising 11.331.773,85 €;
- grants discharge to the Board Members and the statutory auditors for the performance of their duties during the 2022 financial year; and
- authorizes the members of the Secretariat, each acting alone and with the power of substitution, to file the Statutory Annual Accounts duly signed by the Chair of the Board and by a Board member, with the registry of the French-speaking Trade Court of Brussels.

6. Energy Community (EnC) Developments

The Chair of the Legal and Regulatory Group reports on internal energy market integration and developments concerning the Energy Community legislation. He explains that the Energy Community legislation creates legal obligations not only for the Contracting Parties, but also for the neighbouring EU Member States and explains the need for resources from the concerned TSOs on Energy Community matters.

Decision

The Assembly notes the update on Energy Community legislative developments which have an impact for both the Contracting Parties of the Energy Community as well as for the neighbouring EU Member States.

7. Long-term priorities for TSO-DSO cooperation

The Chair of the Steering Group Transmission & Distribution Interface (StG T&DI) informs Assembly 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 and gives the floor to various Assembly members to provide their respective view and to provide their guidance on strategic questions for the future cooperation.

Decision

The Assembly notes the progress report on the TSO-DSO Cooperation.

8. Strategic Discussion and Member Break-outs – How to address the resource needs of TSOs and the Association now and into the future?

The Assembly discusses in various working groups to exchange experience and develop best practice on how to address the resource needs of TSOs and the Association now and into the future

Decision

n/a

9. ENTSO-E Corporate Project update

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

Decision

The Assembly takes note of the reporting.

10. ENTSO-E Elections 2023 – announcement of results

The President announces the names of the newly elected office holders and congratulates them.

Decision

The Assembly:

- appoints the following persons for the following positions: (a) Vice-President: Asta SIHVONEN-PUNKA; and (b) Board members: Dirk BIERMANN, Johannes BRUUN, Enrico CARLINI, Eleni CHARPANTIDOU, Susana DE ALMEIDA DE GRAAFF, Miguel DE LA TORRE, Tahir KAPETANOVIC, Nell REIMANN, Liam RYAN, Remigiusz WARZYWODA, Anne Elisabeth WEDUM; 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

The Chair of the System Operations Committee (SOC) presents the new structure of the SOC reflecting the transfer of IT responsibilities to the ICTC created in 2022, fostering interactions between the SOC and the Regional Groups (synchronous areas) and implementing efficiencies. The Secretary-General announces that ENTSO-E relaunches the publication of the ENTSO-E Map on the occasion of the EC sponsored Grid Infrastructure Event of 7 September 2023 and of the ENTSO-E Annual Event on 4 October 2023. The Secretary-General presents the preliminary conclusions of the 2023 Member Satisfaction Survey. The Secretary-General informs Assembly members on the ongoing work done to prepare the EC high-level sponsored Grid Infrastructure Event of 7 September 2023 and presents a first draft programme.

Decision

The Assembly notes the reporting of any other business

12. Farewell to outgoing Office Holders

The President thanks the outgoing Vice-President, Chair of the Board, Vice-Chair of the Board and the Board members, together with the outgoing LRG's and Committees' Chairs for their dedication in the successful fulfilment of the mandates in the best interests of the Association and of all its Members. The Vice-President congratulates the outgoing President for his successful leadership.

13. Approval of the Minutes

The President thanks all attendees for their participation in the meeting and the Secretariat for all the preparations for this meeting. The President gives the floor the newly elected President who then invites all Assembly members for the next Assembly meeting.

Decision (not at the meeting)

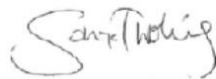
The Assembly approves the minutes of its meeting of 28 June 2023 and confirms the publication on the ENTSO-E website.

Done in Brussels on 28 June 2023.

Hervé LAFFAYE
President



Sonya TWOHIG
Secretary-General



List of Participants

ENTSO-E Assembly Meeting
Brussels

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President

1.	LAFFAYE Hervé	RTE	France
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Vice-President

2.	BOLDIŠ Zbyněk	ČEPS	Czech Republic
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Assembly members (m) and substitutes (s)

1.	NEZIRI NUSHI Ilda (m) online	OST	Albania
2.	KARALL Thomas (m)	APG	Austria
3.	KUMMER Christine (m)	VUEN	Austria
4.	FONCK Pascale (s)	Elia	Belgium
5.	ŠKRBA Obrad (s) online	NOS BiH	Bosnia Herzegovina
6.	ZARCHEV Dimitar* (s)	ESO	Bulgaria
7.	MEDIMOREC Damjan (s)	HOPS	Croatia
8.	STAVRINOS Stavros (m)	Cyprus TSO	Cyprus
9.	BUDAI Tomáš (s)	ČEPS	Czech Republic
10.	BRUUN Johannes (s)	Energinet	Denmark
11.	VESKIMÄGI Taavi* (m)	Elering	Estonia
12.	RUUSUNEN Jukka (m)	Fingrid	Finland
13.	THOUVENIN Vincent (s)	RTE	France
14.	NEUMANN Hendrik (m)	Amprion	Germany
15.	SCHMIT Ingo (m)	TenneT TSO (DE)	Germany
16.		TenneT TSO (NL)	Netherlands
17.	SENER Olaf (s)	TransnetBW	Germany
18.	KAPFERER Stefan (m)	50Hertz	Germany

19.	CHARPANTIDOU Eleni (s)	IPTO	Greece
20.	TIHANYI Zoltan (m)	MAVIR	Hungary
21.	ÁSMUNDSSON Guðmundur (m)	Landsnet	Iceland
22.	CARLINI Enrico (s)	Terna	Italy
23.	JUNGHĀNS Gatis (s)	AST	Latvia
24.	VARANAČIUS Liutauras (s)	LITGRID	Lithuania
25.	MICHELS Alex (s)	CREOS	Luxembourg
26.	MIJUŠKOVIĆ Aleksandar (m)	CGES	Montenegro
27.	TONNE Hilde (m) online	Statnett	Norway
28.	CAMPBELL Alan (m)	SONI	Northern Ireland
29.	<u>holds a proxy</u>	EirGrid	Ireland
30.	SIKORSKI Tomasz (m)	PSE	Poland
31.	JOSE CLARA Maria (s)	REN	Portugal
32.	ALEKSOSKI Borko (s) online	MEPSO	Republic of North Macedonia
33.	PAUN Mihai (s)	Transelectrica	Romania
34.	OBRADOVIC Nikola (s)	EMS	Serbia
35.	DOVALA Jozef (s)	SEPS	Slovak Republic
36.	MARČENKO Zoran (s)	ELES	Slovenia
37.	DE LA TORRE Miguel (m)	REE	Spain
38.	MEDELIUS-BREDHE Lotta (m)	Svenska Kraftnät	Sweden
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Additional Representatives

1.	BEUGER Lisa	Amprion	Germany
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3.	GOMEZ SIMON Cristina	REE	Spain

4.	DARQUENNES Theo	RTE	France
5.	LENCZNAR Valerie-Anne	RTE	France
6.	DE ALMEIDA DE GRAAFF Susana	TenneT (NL)	Netherlands
7.	TATARU Florin Cristian	Transelectrica	Romania
8.	LØVÅS Gunnar	Statnett	Norway

Chair of the Board

1.	VANZETTA Joachim	Amprion	Germany
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Board Members and Committees/LRG Chairs

1.	PRIETO Eduardo	REE	Spain
2.	CORTINAS Damian	RTE	France
3.	PAPROCKI Robert	PSE	Poland
4.	GUIDA Guido	Terna	Italy
5.	DUPONT KRISTENSEN Søren	Energinet	Denmark
6.	HARTMAN Radek online <i>Chair of Information and Communication Technologies Committee</i>	ČEPS	Czech Republic
7.	ELSKAMP Fokke <i>Chair of Legal and Regulatory Group</i>	TenneT TSO BV	The Netherlands
8.	BARMSNES Kjell A. <i>Chair of Market Committee</i>	Statnett	Norway
9.	KAENDLER Gerald <i>Chair of System Development Committee</i>	Amprion	Germany
10.	KAPETANOVIC Tahir <i>Chair of System Operations Committee</i>	APG	Austria
11.	BORGEN Håkon, <i>online</i> <i>Chair of Research, Development & Innovation Committee</i>	Statnett	Norway

12.	VERCELLIN Annachiara <i>Vice-Convener of Policy & Communication Group</i>	Terna	Italy
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Secretariat

1.	TWOHIG Sonya	ENTSO-E	Belgium
2.	GOUVERNEUR Bruno	ENTSO-E	Belgium
3.	GYULAY Zoltan	ENTSO-E	Belgium
4.	VERSTRAETEN Christelle	ENTSO-E	Belgium
5.	HAESEN Edwin	ENTSO-E	Belgium
6.	MELCHIOR Florence	ENTSO-E	Belgium
8.	RICHET Nicolas	ENTSO-E	Belgium
9.	CONSTANTINESCU Norela	ENTSO-E	Belgium
10.	TALESKI Ivan	ENTSO-E	Belgium
11.	DRIANE Evelyne	ENTSO-E	Belgium
12.	BREGU Ervis	ENTSO-E	Belgium
13.	MACABEO Bertrand	ENTSO-E	Belgium
14.	PUJAN Kamila	ENTSO-E	Belgium
15.	KUUSIK Maarja	ENTSO-E	Belgium

External lawyers

1.	HELLEMANS Frank	Eubelius	Belgium
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