



Agency for the Cooperation
of Energy Regulators

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Open Letter

Invitation to participate in 2nd phase of the REMIT implementation pilot project, (‘ARIS operational prototype’)

Subject: Invitation to participate in the 2nd phase of the Agency’s REMIT Implementation pilot project, the ‘ARIS operational prototype’

On 7 November 2013 the Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators announced the 2nd phase of the pilot project for the implementation of Regulation (EU) No 1227/2011 (REMIT), which is to be launched on 25 November 2013, at a public workshop on REMIT implementation in Ljubljana. This open letter invites stakeholders to participate in this 2nd phase of the pilot project which will be focusing on the further enhancement of the data collection under REMIT.

The 1st phase of the pilot project primarily concentrated on the collection of basic data through trade reporting systems, organised market places, trade-matching systems, persons professionally arranging transactions, trade repositories and other third parties. You can find further information on the 1st phase of the Agency’s REMIT implementation pilot project on the Agency’s website. Please consult the following weblink: <http://www.acer.europa.eu/remit/REMITPilotProject/Pages/default.aspx>

The 2nd phase, the ‘ARIS operational prototype’, aims to further develop the data collection learning exercise, based on, *inter alia*, the draft of the European Commission’s implementing acts now available. Apart from data collection, the ‘ARIS operational prototype’ may also cover the development of a data sharing solution with National Regulatory Authorities and the customisation of the Agency’s market monitoring solution.

The ‘ARIS operational prototype’ will focus on data collection through third parties on the basis of the draft implementing acts. Third parties are invited to apply for participation if they fulfill the following criteria:

- Provide the Agency with anonymised records of wholesale energy market transactions, including orders to trade, and/or fundamental data on behalf of multiple market participants as Registered Reporting Mechanisms (RRMs) or Regulated Information Services (RIS), and,
- Provide relevant data in a way and manner as requested by the Agency.

Market participants may participate through the aforementioned third parties if they are willing to provide the relevant data as requested by the Agency.

We note that the current pilot project participants are welcome to continue their contributions subject to the signing of a Non-Disclosure Agreement (NDA) where applicable. They are not required to apply again.

The application process comprises of two stages:

- Firstly, the Agency will review the written applications on the basis of the aforementioned conditions.
- Secondly, the Agency will ask the selected applicants to sign a Non-Disclosure Agreement specifying the data and the manner of data provision. The applicants will not receive further details on the technical implementation of the pilot project before such Non-Disclosure Agreement has been signed.

The Agency will only accept applications once all stages are successfully completed.

In order to apply for participation in the 2nd phase of the pilot project, please send an e-mail that sets out briefly the following:

- Identification of the third party and its current focus of involvement in the wholesale energy market transactions/orders and/or fundamental data reporting.
- Brief overview of covered market(s), product(s) and number of market participants, on behalf of which the third party may report.
- Willingness to provide and to enrich relevant data as requested by the Agency in the draft implementing acts subject to signature of a standard Non-Disclosure Agreement defined by the Agency.
- Contact details of the third party's senior, in-house, IT-Expert in charge of preparing the third party's participation in the pilot project.
- The senior in-house IT-Expert should have sufficient time available to prepare for the provision of relevant data and to participate in pilot discussions. It is currently envisaged to have three pilot project meetings in Ljubljana during the second phase.

Please send your application e-mail by **22 November 2013, by 12.00 noon, Central European Time**, i.e. two weeks after the publication of this Open Letter on the Agency's website. The application will be only accepted if sent by e-mail to: remit.pilot@acer.europa.eu

Applications received after this deadline may not be considered.

A list of the pilot project participants will be drawn by the Agency. Please note that subject to the number of applications, it may take some time to process the applications. Depending on the number of applications received and given the current stage of the REMIT implementation, the Agency may, or may not, be able to accommodate all requests to participate in the pilot project.

The Agency will report about the development of the pilot project at public workshops as well as the REMIT implementation roundtable meetings with relevant stakeholders. The meetings will take place in Ljubljana. Further information will be published on the Agency's website.

Yours Sincerely,



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