**21st IG Meeting. South Gas Regional Initiative**

**27th February 2013,** from **10:30 h** to **14:00 h**

CNE premises, Madrid

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1. **Opening**
   1. **Welcome**

The chairs welcomed all participants, attending in Madrid and by videoconference from France, and expressed their pleasure for holding this 21st Implementation Group (IG) meeting.

* 1. **Approval of the agenda and the last meeting minutes**

The agenda was approved.

The minutes of the 20th IG meeting were also approved, without comments.

1. **Capacity Allocation Mechanism harmonisation**
   1. **Draft CAM Roadmap in the Region**

The regulators presented the draft CAM Roadmap in the whole region. The document was recently sent to TSOs and their comments have been taken into account in the final version. **A public consultation will be launched in ACER website, this week, until 19th March**. The CAM Roadmap is planned to be approved by Regulators by the end of March.

One of the main issues discussed is related to the progress on the CAM implementation inside France. The plan is to implement a single trading region including the two Southern zones by 1st April 2015 and the Northern some in 2018. In the interconnection between TIGF and GRTGaz no auction is envisaged. A public consultation will be launched in March to decide on the process among the two GRTGaz balancing zones. The conclusion is that calendar and goals should be the same in the whole region.

The floor agreed on the way forward:

* Final CAM Roadmap of the SGRI – ***March 2013****.* To be approved by regulators.
* Discussions and definition of the capacity products, available capacity and IT systems– ***March/May 2013****.* To be proposed by TSOs.
* *First draft containing the a*vailable capacity, standard products and IT systems will be *presented in the next* ***SG meeting (24th April)*:**
  + Available capacity in all borders, for the next 15 years, and proposal of capacity split for the different auctions, from October 2014: virtual Point between Spain and Portugal, physical/virtual point between France and Spain *( to be sent by TSOs to regulators* ***before 15th March****).*
  + IT development *(to be sent by TSOs* ***before 29th March****): c*apacity allocation platform capabilities, when TSOs IT system will be developed and, interface to support primary and secondary capacity markets, nomination and renomination schemes...
* Start of the development of IT systems – ***Starting Summer 2013***. To be proposed by TSOs.
* National regulation modification – ***Starting summer 2013***To be approved by regulators.
* IT ready, Regulation in place and Draft MOUs - ***December 2013****.*

Regarding the capacity products, NRAs encouraged TSOs to define the products independently of the booking platform. TSOs remarked that the definition is close related to the platform functionalities (for instance, the small steps). The way forward was established:

* The definition of the long term vision of the whole process will be sent by TSOs **before 24th April.** This proposal will include, at least, the definition of the auction mechanism (reserve price, price steps, rounds, allocation of revenues...) and the different actions to be taken by network users before participating to the auction (financial deposit, obligation to subscribe capacity, contracts, shippers licence...), interruptible capacity and backhaul capacity treatment.
* The short term decisions on the initial products and calendar proposals will be sent by TSOs **before 10th May.**This document will contain, among other issues: what interoperability amendments are needed (gas day, gas year, amendment of gas quality measurement and calendar), decision to be made on the Larrau capacity to be sold before March 2014 (schedule, IT system pilot...)

The deadline of reference for coordinated auction in the whole Region must be June 2014 when as least, the quarterly capacity products will be jointly allocated through a coordinated annual auction.

* 1. **CAM between SP-PT. Next auction**

Regulators presented the next steps to develop the auction process between Spain and Portugal. In general, it will follow the same pattern as the next year but the auction should take place on 3rd June 2013 (according to the Draft CAM NC for the annual quarterly capacity auctions).

The main issues to be decided are connected to the IT system to allocate capacity.

Spanish and Portuguese TSOs proposed to hold the auction without IT systems. They informed that the estimated cost of using an IT system would be around 10.000 Euros per TSO. TSOs presented the draft available capacity in the VIP between Spain and Portugal. They provided preliminary figures. The tentative calendar is proposed without using a booking platform: the process duration is longer; it will begin in May and it will finish by 4th July.

Regulators outlined the procedure of national regulation approval, therefore TSOs agreed on proposing **a first version of Information Memorandum by the third week of March.**

1. **CMP Draft Roadmap on CMP implementation in the SGRI**

The TSOs presented the Draft roadmap on CMP harmonization in the Region. The document is under discussion among the four TSOs in the Region.

The three mechanisms: UIOLI LT, Oversubscription and Buy-back and Capacity surrender were presented and discussed. The schedule is tight to have the mechanism implemented by October 2013.

Regulators insisted on the need to elaborate a document agreed by all TSOs in the Region. Two new meetings have been scheduled only to discuss CMP implementation the South Region: RCC meeting on the 13th March and IG meeting at the 25th March (videoconference). **A preliminary version on the CMP Roadmap in the South Region will be presented by the TSOs on the 25th of March.**

The aim is to have **a final CMP Roadmap at the end of May**.

1. **Investment**
   1. **Update on PCI identification**

Regulators updated the progress on the first list of PCIs. The next meeting will be held on the 7th March.

* 1. **2013 Regional Investment Plan in the South Region (GRIP)**

TSOs presented the work in progress on the elaboration of the 2013 GRIP South. The methodology and content will improve the previous GRIP, including more public consultation to the market. It is focused on North-South Corridor in Western Europe identified by EC to better interconnect the Mediterranean area and supplies from Africa and the Northern supply Corridor with supplies from Norway and Russia. The GRIP is planned to be published in the last quarter of 2013.

NRAs in the Region welcome the work presented.

1. **AOB and next meetings**

* 13st March: 12th RCC.
* 25th March: 22th IG at 15 hours (videoconference).
* 24th April: 20th SG.
* 12th June: 23th IG.