

EFET, Eurelectric and IFIEC Europe publish a joint response to the consultation on the TSO's Cost Benefit Analysis on Multi-Regional Loose Volume Coupling

Today, EFET, Eurelectric and IFIEC Europe published a joint response to the EU TSOs consultation on their cost benefit analysis assessing the viability of Multi-Regional Loose Volume Coupling (MRLVC) as a possible future electricity trading arrangement between the EU and UK day-ahead markets.¹

In their joint publication EFET, Eurelectric and IFIEC Europe insist on the necessity to:

- Improve the governance and dialogue between all concerned EU and UK parties for the implementation of the EU-UK Trade and Cooperation Agreement (TCA)
- Provide more details on the costs and benefits of MRLVC, as well as other alternative arrangements – including tighter volume coupling
- Analyse more closely all risks related to flow forecasts and SDAC performance
- Prioritise solutions for the island of Ireland, for which no cross-zonal capacity is currently available in day-ahead
- Merge day-ahead order books in Great Britain, as a no regret option whichever cross-zonal trading arrangement will be implemented ultimately
- Ensure a pragmatic implementation of the TCA for efficient cross-zonal trading between the EU and the UK

“Proper trading arrangements between EU and UK are necessary to ensure fair competition, enhance security of supply and facilitate offshore development in the North Sea. The EU and the UK should maintain close co-operation and collaboration to achieve this and in support of the shared energy and climate ambitions to reach net zero by 2050” said Kristian Ruby, Secretary General of Eurelectric. “We are keen to see all parties work collaboratively to develop a form of trade which can unlock benefits for UK and EU citizens” added Jérôme Le Page, Electricity Committee Chair for EFET.

¹ Joint response of EFET, Eurelectric and IFIEC Europe to the consultation on the TSO's Cost Benefit Analysis on Multi-Regional Loose Volume Coupling is available at <https://bit.ly/3eSTfF3>