



Postponement of the Core Flow-Based Market Coupling project Go Live

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Core project parties concluded that the Core go-live planned for 20 April 2022 must be postponed as a go-live on this date could not be supported by some Core project parties.

Market Coupling processes are prepared, and Core joint project parties are technically ready to prepare their local and central systems and expect to finish the remaining activities (last required tests and bilateral contracts) before 20 April 2022.

There are, however, concerns expressed by some Core TSOs and NEMOs :

- The timing of the Core FB DA go-live considering the current market context - in combination with the other concerns listed below
- The not sufficiently demonstrated stability of the DA pre-market coupling process in Flow-Based DA capacity calculation and the impact on capacities when fallbacks need to be applied
- The impact on ID ATC capacities, the methodology will be known in mid-April and the need for TSOs to develop tools for maximising capacities while maintaining system security.
- The issue of undue discrimination triggered by too low capacities provided on critical network elements

Core project parties will monitor the operational stability of the external parallel run closely during the coming weeks and establish parallel concrete plans to deal with these concerns on time.

Core project parties will communicate a new go-live date as soon as the concerns are assessed and alleviated and coordinate with other SDAC projects and regulatory authorities.

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Communication channels

Market participants who would like to follow closer the project development are invited to join the Core Consultative Group (CCG) by sending an email to CoreCG@magnus.nl. The participants of the Core Consultative Group will receive regular information and invitations to teleconferences and meetings.

Next to the CCG, a Question & Answer Forum for the Core FB MC project is currently in use. The Forum is available under the Core FB MC section on the JAO website, i.e. www.jao.eu. Project parties invite all market participants to use this Forum for their queries.

About the Day-Ahead Flow-Based Market Coupling project in the Core CCR

The Core Flow-Based Market Coupling (Core FB MC) project promotes the development and implementation of a flow-based day-ahead market coupling across the whole Core capacity calculation region (Core CCR) in the framework of the Single Day-Ahead Coupling (SDAC). The Core CCR consists of the bidding zone borders between the following EU Member States' bidding zones: Austria, Belgium, Croatia, the Czech Republic, France, Germany, Hungary, Luxemburg, the Netherlands, Poland, Romania, Slovakia and Slovenia.

Market integration - core to the energy transition

The energy transition towards a carbon-free electricity supply is a European challenge that requires the use of the European electricity system to the full extent. Weather-dependent supply and increasing demand response will lead to a different and more intense grid use. The Core market integration project aims to create operational preconditions to optimise the use of the system from a regional perspective and make the single European market a reality.

