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# **Monitoring the Cross-Border Capacity Market In South East Europe**

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# Energy Community





## Energy Community

- Energy Community of South East Europe extends the European Union's (EU) internal energy market to South East Europe (SEE).
- Signatory parties agreed to implement the EU *acquis communautaire* on electricity, gas, environment, competition and renewables
- The **Parties** to the Treaty are the European Union, on the one hand, and nine **Contracting Parties**, namely, Albania, Bosnia & Herzegovina, Croatia, former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, **Moldova**, Montenegro, Serbia, **Ukraine**, and UNMIK.
- The market monitoring project is designed to help ensure the transition to competitive markets.



# Market Monitoring



# Rationale for Market Monitoring

- What is *Market Monitoring*?
- *Market Monitoring* is to ensure competition in liberalized markets.
  - ✓ Competition itself may not be enough to endure efficient outcomes
  - ✓ Vertical Market Power (control of transmission)
  - ✓ Horizontal Market Power (control of generation)
- The role of *market monitoring* has been to advise and inform the regulator.
  - ✓ The structure of the market (concentration, vertical integration);
  - ✓ Compliance with market rules;
  - ✓ Behavior of individual market participants and the market as a whole;



## Rationale for Market Monitoring

- ***Market Monitoring*** provides a focused observation of market activities, conduct, and outcome;
  - ✓ Experience in other regions has indicated that market monitoring should be in place before market opening;
  - ✓ Development of the monitoring approach should proceed in parallel coordination with the development of the market design;
- ***Market monitoring*** is conducted using screens and analyses that rely on both public data and data from market participants;





## Rationale for Market Monitoring

- ***Market Monitoring*** seeks to identify solutions to market structure flaws;
  - ✓ solutions should lead to improved market outcomes;
- ***Market Monitoring*** seeks to identify potential anticompetitive conduct
  - ✓ often detecting activities is sufficient to cause change in conduct;
  - ✓ The mere presence of a monitoring system can deter anticompetitive conduct;
- ***Market Monitoring*** provides a path toward greater transparency, a goal that has been recognized as contributing toward development of efficient markets;



## Rationale for Market Monitoring Non-RTO Markets

- **Market Monitoring** is most noticed in centralized spot markets (RTOs, Midwest ISO, PJM ISO, New York ISO)
  - ✓ These markets have multi-lateral exchanges;
  - ✓ **Market monitoring** is also conducted in non-RTO markets.
  - ✓ This is particularly important for market monitoring in South East Europe because South East Europe is in a non-RTO market.
- In non-RTO markets, bilateral trading systems rely on open-access transmission tariffs to ensure non-discriminatory access to transmission service.
  - ✓ **Market monitoring** in these markets focuses on the operation of the transmission network and the adherence to open-access policies.



# Market Monitoring in South East Europe



## Market Monitoring Indicators

- Market Monitoring in SEE is focused on individual *Indicators*
- An indicator is focused on a market or operating variable (e.g., load level)
- The Indicator shows whether a certain variable is outside an *established range*.
- If an Indicator is outside a range, then regulatory intervention is recommended.





# Market Monitoring Indicators

## Three-Step Monitoring Process

- Calculate Indicator
  - ✓ Based on some theory of market performance or outcome (e.g., TRM value)
- Establish Threshold Range
  - ✓ Based on an expected competitive value of the indicator (What to expect under competitive conditions)
- Regulatory Follow-up if Necessary
  - ✓ Regulator will attempt to “Mitigate” when Indicator exceeds threshold



## SEE Monitoring

- Market Monitoring in SEE is focused on access to cross-border transmission capacity;
- Transmission capacity is established using Net Transfer Capacity (NTC) estimates;
- A key part of the market monitoring is monitoring assumptions of the Capacity Assessment;
  - ✓ Capacity Assessment is the process used to estimate the level of cross-border transmission capacity that can be used to transfer electricity between control areas.



# Underlying Theory of SEE Market Monitoring Indicators

Network Model Base Case uses forecasts to estimate available cross-border capacity:

## Base Case Assumptions

Base Case Exchange (expected trades between control areas)

Forecast Load

Forecast Generation

Transmission Topology

Error in Assumptions



Error in NTC

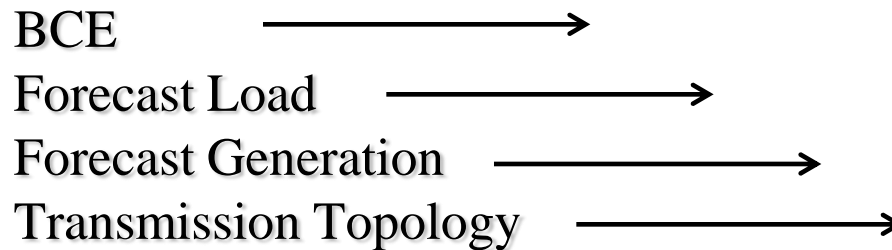


Restrict Cross-Border Trade



# SEE Market Monitoring Indicators

## Base Case Assumptions



**Market Monitoring Indicators ask: Are these assumptions accurate?**





## Base Case Exchange Indicator

### Base Case Exchange (BCE) Indicator

- Monitors the accuracy of cross-border transactions forecasts in Network Model;
- BCE values are a forecast of cross-border commercial schedules.
- Therefore, the BCE Indicator is simple
  - ✓ Compute the *forecast error* and
  - ✓ Establish a *threshold range*.



# Base Case Exchange Indicator

## BCE Indicator

### *Forecast Error:*

$(\text{Forecast} - \text{Actual}) / \text{Actual}$

$(\text{BCE} - \text{Commercial Schedules}) / \text{Commercial Schedules}$

- Indicator 1- Indicator 6 are all focused on testing some aspect of a forecast;
- Hence, all six indicators use the forecast error formula;



# Base Case Exchange Indicator

## BCE Indicator

### Two Elements to the Indicator

(1) Compute Forecast Error

(2) Threshold Range:

*Threshold Range*

Indicator Violation when

Forecast Error > Threshold → ?

↙  
(BCE – Commercial Schedules) / Commercial Schedules



# Base Case Exchange Indicator

## BCE Indicator

### *Threshold Range:*

- The threshold ranges used for the BCE Indicator as well as the other Indicators is based on Reference Values;
- Reference Values are used in market monitoring to establish “competitive benchmarks”
  - ✓ Basic idea of the Reference Value is to estimate what a supplier would do under competitive conditions.
  - ✓ One approach is to use suppliers historical behavior during periods deemed competitive.
    - (e.g., in centralized RTO markets, historical bid/offers are used that occur in low-priced periods)





## Base Case Exchange Indicator

### BCE Indicator

#### *Reference Levels*

- The reference levels used in the MMG Indicators are based on historical values of the Indicator itself.
  - ✓ We consider the range of forecast errors across all participants and all interconnections.
  - ✓ We consider outliers in this collections of forecast errors to be “non-competitive” or modeling errors.
  - ✓ Outliers are considered to be top 15% and bottom 15% of all observations.



# Base Case Exchange Indicator

## BCE Indicator

### *Reference Levels*

#### Process:

1. For the prior four months, collect all forecast errors for the Indicator on all interconnections for all data providers;
2. The 15<sup>th</sup> percentile value and the 85<sup>th</sup> percentile values are identified. (roughly equal to the 90 percent confidence interval for a normal distribution)
3. Example.
4. The values at the 15<sup>th</sup> and 85<sup>th</sup> percentile are the threshold ranges.
  - ✓ Thresholds may be one- or two-sided;
  - ✓ BCE Indicator in one-sided:  $\text{Forecast Error} > \text{Threshold}$
  - ✓ Load Forecast Indicator is two-sided:



## Base Case Exchange Indicator

### BCE Indicator

#### *Reference Levels*

##### Process:

4. The values at the 15<sup>th</sup> and 85<sup>th</sup> percentile are the threshold ranges.
  - ✓ Thresholds may be one- or two-sided:  
BCE Indicator is two-sided:  
 $\text{Threshold}_L < \text{Forecast Error} < \text{Threshold}_H$
  - ✓ Other Indicators may be one-sided:  $\text{Forecast Error} < \text{Threshold}$



## Other Monitoring Indicators







## Market Monitoring Indicators

- **Indicator 1:** Base Case Exchange (BCE) Indicator –Monitors the accuracy of cross-border transactions forecasts in Network Model;
- **Indicator 2:** Already Allocated Capacity Indicator – Monitors the usage of cross-border reservation to detect any withholding (Hoarding);
- **Indicator 3:** Critical Facilities Indicator – Monitors the accuracy of Network Model outcomes on cross-border limiting facilities;
- **Indicator 4:** Load Forecast Indicator – Monitors the accuracy of load forecasts in Network Model;
- **Indicator 5:** Generation Output Indicator – Monitors the accuracy of generation forecasts in Network Model;
- **Indicator 6:** TRM Indicator – Monitors TRM calculations;
- **Auction Data Indicators** – Indicators the results of cross-border capacity auctions;



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## AAC Indicator

**Description: Compare AAC to monthly peak schedules**

- ✓ AAC v. peak Commercial Schedules
- ✓ Forecast Error formula:  $(f-a)/a$
- ✓ Thresholds based on 85<sup>th</sup> percentile



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## Critical Facilities Indicator

### **Description:**

- (1) Identify constrained facility in Network Model;**
- (2) Report model flow in network model;**
- (3) Report actual flow on facilities;**

### **Discussion:**

- ✓ Constrained Facilities;
- ✓ Forecast Error formula:  $(f-a)/a$
- ✓ Thresholds (85<sup>th</sup> percentile)





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## Load Forecast Indicator

### Discussion:

- ✓ Forecast Error formula:  $(f-a)/a$
- ✓ Thresholds (85<sup>th</sup> and 15th percentile)



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## Generator Forecast Indicator

### Discussion:

- ✓ Top ten generators
- ✓ Use forecast error
- ✓ Threshold based on 85<sup>th</sup> percentile





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## TRM Indicator

### **Description:**

- Based on ENSTO-E TRM approach;
  - ✓ The ENTSO-E approach bases TRM on standard deviation of Area Control Error (ACE). ACE is the hourly difference between control area load and total supply (generation plus net imports).
- Indicator uses an estimate of TRM based on historical control area imbalances and compares to posted TRM value.



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- **Indicator 6:** TRM Indicator – Monitors TRM calculations;
- **Auction Data**– Analyzes the results of cross-border capacity auctions;



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## Auction Indicator

### **Description:**

1. Collect and analyze results of auctions for cross-border capacity;
2. Monitor annual monthly, daily auctions;
3. Calculate share and concentration of capacity for each interconnection;





# **South East Europe Automated Market Monitoring System (SEEAMMS)**



# SEEAMMS

## South East Europe Automated Market Monitoring System

### SEEAMMS automates:

- ✓ Data Collection/upload
- ✓ Data Storage
- ✓ Indicator Calculation (forecast error)
- ✓ Threshold Calculations
- ✓ Indicator “Variances”
- ✓ Reporting and downloads;