

Press Release

ENTSOG informs about the beginning of the third incremental capacity process commencing in July 2021

(Brussels, 21 June, PR0244-21) **The third incremental capacity process cycle will start on 5 July 2021, as required by Regulation (EU) 2017/459 which established the Capacity Allocation Mechanisms Network Code (CAM NC).**

This Regulation sets the main steps of the incremental capacity process to be followed at least in each odd-numbered year. The first key dates are:

- **5 July 2021:** Immediately after the start of the annual yearly capacity auctions, Transmission System Operators (TSOs) shall cooperate on assessing market demand for incremental capacity and conduct technical studies for incremental capacity projects for their joint Interconnection Points (IPs).
- **30 August 2021:** No later than 8 weeks after the start of the incremental capacity process network users are to submit to the concerned TSOs non-binding demand indications for incremental capacity. For this purpose, ENTSOG has developed a standardised **Demand Indication Template**, available on ENTSOG's website, [here](#). The relevant documentation for network users to participate in the incremental capacity process is published on the TSOs websites.
- **25 October 2021:** No later than 16 weeks after the start of the incremental capacity process TSOs will produce and publish demand assessment reports evaluating the prospective need for incremental capacity and stating whether an incremental capacity project will be initiated.

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Editorial notes

- > **The European Network of Transmission System Operators for Gas (ENTSOG)** was founded in line with Regulation (EC) 715/2009 and has played a key role in facilitating integration of the European gas markets, ensuring technical interoperability and providing security of supply by gas infrastructure planning. Looking forward, ENTSOG is contributing to the net-zero decarbonisation by 2050, in particular, by the integration of renewable and low carbon gases via future-proof gas transmission pipelines, in line with the EU energy and climate goals. More information on ENTSOG can be found on our website – www.entsog.eu or contact info@entsog.eu.