

# **TSO Transparency Project Gas Regional Initiative North West**

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# ● Overview

- **Gas Regional Initiatives North West**
- **Previous GRI NW work on transparency**
- **Current GRI NW transparency project (ongoing public consultation)**

## Link to public consultation:

[http://www.acer.europa.eu/portal/page/portal/ACER\\_HOME/Activities/Regional\\_Initiatives/Gas\\_Regional\\_Initiatives/North-West/Public%20Consultations/1supstsup%20Public%20Consultation%20NW%20Regional%20Initiative/Agenda\\_and\\_distributed\\_docs](http://www.acer.europa.eu/portal/page/portal/ACER_HOME/Activities/Regional_Initiatives/Gas_Regional_Initiatives/North-West/Public%20Consultations/1supstsup%20Public%20Consultation%20NW%20Regional%20Initiative/Agenda_and_distributed_docs)



## ● ACER Gas Regional Initiatives



- Created under ERGEG in 2006
- North-West is one of 3 Regional Energy Markets
- Strong emphasis on stakeholder involvement

# ● Previous GRI NW work on transparency

- Transparency is a critical element in ensuring an effective functioning internal European market.
- 15th Madrid Forum: stakeholders presented minimum transparency requirements.

## Transmission transparency phase 1 (launched April '08)

- GRI NW TSOs committed to publish daily information on gas flows and capacity availability at cross-border interconnection points.
- Influential in developing new transparency Annex

## Transmission transparency phase 2 (launched March '09)

Early implementation of the new transparency requirements in the Third Package

## Storage transparency (launched April '09)

# ● The “transparency annex”

Amended Chapter 3 of annex 1, Regulation 715/2009

The transparency requirements focus on

## **Format**

Accessibility ,  
frequency and  
user-friendliness  
of information

## **Content**

Key documents  
and information  
that must be  
published

## **Scope**

Relevant points  
where  
requirements are  
applicable

Information relates to

## **Technical Information**

Technical capacity of flows,  
contracted and available  
capacity, nominations and re-  
nominations, interruptions

## **Balancing Information**

Preliminary imbalance  
volumes, day-ahead forecasts,  
daily information on  
aggregated capacity, and  
more



# ● Current GRI NW transparency project (1)

Proposed by stakeholders at November 2011 GRI NW Stakeholder Group meeting

Objectives:

- » Monitor compliance of TSOs against the 3<sup>rd</sup> Package transparency requirements (“Transparency Annex”)
- » Consult the market whether data has been published in appropriate manner

Rationale:

- » Regional approach could deliver benefits in terms of consistency and efficiency and support enforcement work of relevant authorities



# ● Current GRI NW transparency project (2)

- TSOs were invited to indicate their own state of compliance against the requirements

	Name of TSO				
	Country				
Article of Annex 1 chapter 3 of Gas Regulation 715/2009	Transparency requirement	Clarification of requirements where applicable	Publication		
			Yes/No/Not applicable	Link to the relevant information on TSOs website where appropriate	Any additional comments
3.1.2 Content of publication					
3.1.2 a)	Do you publish	Qualitative assessment by regulators and stakeholders will be needed to decide if the information published deemed to be detailed and comprehensive. We will ask stakeholders if they feel the TSO is providing detailed enough relevant information that they find useful		-	
	a detailed and comprehensive description of the different services offered and their charges?			-	
3.1.2 b)	Do you publish the different types of transportation contracts available for these services?			-	
3.1.1. Form of publication:					

*(Example from questionnaire that was sent to TSOs)*

- All TSOs responded



# Current GRI NW transparency project (3)

		Country Code			DE														GB	IE	LU	NI	SE	NL	GB/NL	GB/B	
Article of Annex 1 chapter 3 of Gas Regulation 715/2009	Transparency requirement	BE	DK	FR																							
		1. Fluxys	2. Energinet.DK	3. GRTgaz	4. Bayernets	5. EGMT	6. ENI	7. EWE	8. GRTgaz Deut	9. Gasunie	10. GVS	11. OGE	12. ONTRAS	13. Statoil	14. Thyssengas	15. Wingas	16. National Grid	17. Gaslink	18. Creos Luxembourg S.A.	19. BGE (UK)	20. Mutual Energy	21. Swedegas & Svenska Kraftnat	22. GTS	23. BBL Company	24. Interconnector UK		
3.4 Information to be published regarding the transmission system and the time schedule according to which this information should be published																											
	Do you provide final data of customers supplied according to standardised load profiles within 14 months later?																										
	Do you respect confidentiality of commercially sensitive information while providing this information?																										
	Is this information provided by a third party?																										
3.4.4.	Do you offer flexibility services, other than tolerances, for third party access?																										
	If you do, do you publish daily forecasts on a day-ahead basis of the maximum amount of flexibility, the booked level of flexibility and the availability of flexibility for the market for the next gas day?																										
	Do you also publish ex-post information on the aggregate utilisation of every flexibility service at the end of each gas day?																										
3.4.5.	(5) Do you publish, per balancing zone:																										
	the amount of gas in the transmission system at the start of each gas day and																										
	the forecast of the amount of gas in the transmission system at the end of each gas day?																										
	Do you publish the amount of gas in the transmission system on an hourly basis?																										
	Do you update the forecast amount of gas for the end of the gas day on an hourly basis throughout the gas day?																										





## ● Current GRI NW transparency project (4)

The consultation letter has been published on ACER's website

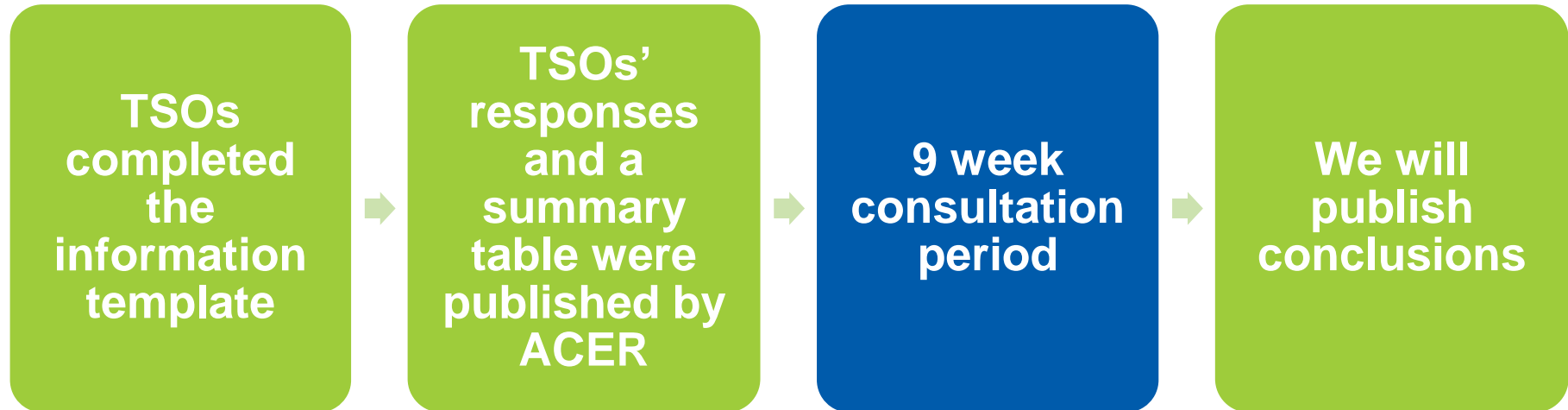
We are seeking stakeholder views from stakeholders on TSOs' compliance with the new "Transparency Annex"

- » Availability
- » Quality
- » Consistency
- » Frequency
- » Free of charge
- » "Close to real time"
- » Etc

**Please respond by 20 January**



## ● Project update - process



# ● Conclusions of this presentation

- Commencing this project was a response to stakeholder requests
- This is a good example of regulatory cooperation
- All TSOs and regulators in the region have contributed
- GRI NW has been a useful platform for this
- The 20th Madrid Forum has called on ACER to monitor the implementation of transparency requirements in Europe
- Consultation closes on 20 January
- Next step: conclusions

**We look forward to your responses!**