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“Projects of Common Interest: Regulatory treatment and challenges”

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Competent Authorities (usually Ministry directorates)

REGULATORY TREATMENT

Regulatory Authorities

REGULATORY CHALLENGES

1. Difficulties in coordination between authorities

- Different legal framework of non EU countries
- Appointment of a coordinating regulatory authority-not always easy to be agreed.
- Shortage of sufficient personnel resources
- Shortage of experienced personnel
- Enforceability of time limits

REGULATORY CHALLENGES

2. Treatment of Competitive-Complementary Projects

What happens if the TSO promotes competitive projects, approved in the latest NDP but have long been planned before the “Union Lists” [Re (EU) 2016/89 & Re (EU) 2013/1391]?

3. “Difficult” cooperation between TSO and Third Party Project Promoter

What could be the framework to prevent an uneasy relationship between TSO and PP that could delay TSO consultation and data exchange?

REGULATORY CHALLENGES

4. Affordability of the project

What happens when the cost of a project is much higher than the whole asset base of the TSO?

5. Technical Risk

If the risk of unfinished project is high due to technical challenges?

REGULATORY POTENTIAL IMPROVEMENTS

1. Improving Scenarios and the Cost-Benefit Analysis Methodologies

ACER should be conferred the power to issue binding guidelines on the major CBA-related deliverables (the Scenario Development Report, the CBA Methodology and the TYNDP itself), which may also address aspects related to the fair treatment of all project promoters and the transparency of the process.

2. Regularly updating of the Unit Investment Costs report

To ensure flexibility with respect to any updates, Regulation (EU) No 347/2013 should foresee that UIC updates would be done ‘regularly’ (instead of stating a defined interval).

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