

UKRAINE CASE STUDY

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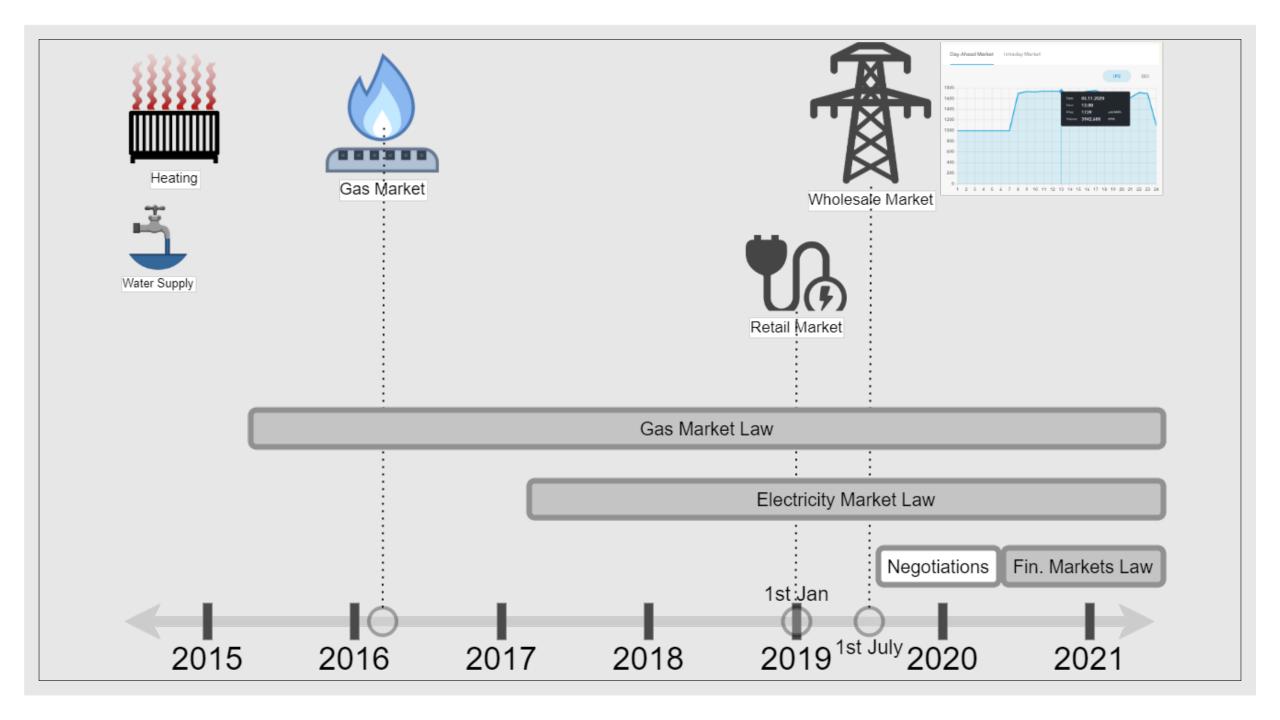


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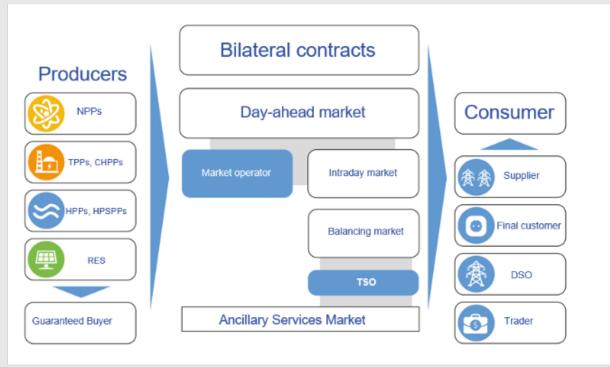
 Timeline of legislation for energy markets and financial markets/instruments law in Ukraine

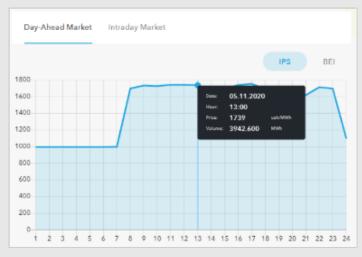
How we did it in Ukraine in the legislative process

• Financial Regulator & Energy Regulator: Rivals or Partners?







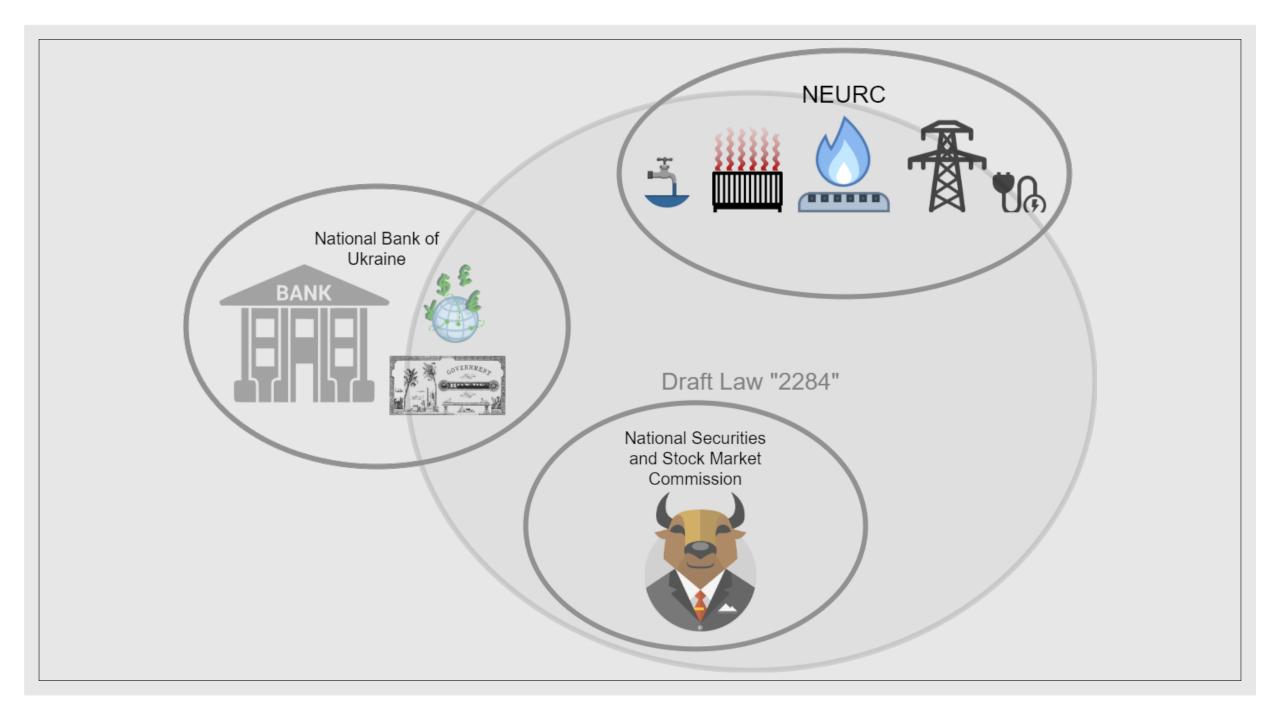


Two Sides of a Coin

- Why energy derivatives are beneficial in general and in Ukraine in particular?
 - We need to understand the price for the future. Electricity spot price is hourly, but fluctuates as market is rather immature. Gas spot price is "borrowed" from European jurisdictions;
 - There are no price risk hedging instruments available
 - Advanced settlement mechanism need to be introduced to increase liquidity and decrease transactional costs of market participants

But

- Electricity & Gas can hardly be equal in regulatory treatment with other tradable commodities
- Markets operate under many restrictions: price caps in electricity, PSOs in both gas & electricity, the latter offering price to end-users far below total cost of service, non paying consumers, debts.
- Though nicknamed "derivatives law", the draft FinMarkets Law 2284 clearly intended to regulate commodities trading, incl. electricity & gas



Problems & Complications

- Overlapping regulation resulting from FinMarkets draft law "2284"
 - Licensing of Market Operators
 - Market Rules
 - Market Oversight
 - Penalties
- MIFID & REMIT not Implemented. No evolutionary development like in Europe.
- No business process for cooperation/information exchange in place
- Antimonopoly Committee, 3rd regulator, has to "join the game"

Solution 1: a set of "carve outs"

Sphere of the Financial Markets Law excludes

- TSOs Gas & Electricity
- DAM Operator Electricity
- Electricity & Gas & Heating markets functioning
- Reference to specialized laws

Wholesale Energy Products defined as

- Sale& purchase agreements for electricity and gas with delivery in Ukraine
- Derivative contacts for electricity & gas produced, supplied or traded in Ukraine or EnC
- Contracts for transportation of electricity & gas & their derivatives
- Contracts for electricity or gas supply and distribution to large end-users, threshold established by NEURC

Financial Instruments exclude

- Deliverable options, futures, swaps, forwards and other derivatives with commodity being underlaying asset to which a party is gas or electricity TSO or concluded for physical balancing of supply and demand, incl. ancillary services
- Commodity based forward contracts with physical delivery
- Derivative contracts concluded at OTF or organized market, the subject of which is sale& purchase of electricity & gas, transmission, distribution, supply
- Wholesale Energy Products

Solution 2: Legislatively Mandated Cooperation & Information Exchange

Energy Regulator

Financial Regulator

Anti-Monopoly Committee

MOU Information Exchange Data Protection



Solution 3: Strengthening/Clarification of NEURC Authority

- Changes to Criminal Code
 - REMIT based definition of manipulation in the energy market. Definition, penalties, size of damage, severe damage, illegal disclosure of insider information
- Changes to Commercial Code
 - Legal basis, organization of sale & purchase and settlements in the electricity and gas markets,
 to be carried out according to sectoral laws
- Changes to Electricity Market Law
 - Special features of implementing clearing at electricity and gas markets to be decided by the Energy Regulator

Thank you & stay healthy!