

#### TF3: Proper Implementation - Capacity building, Cooperation with ACER

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#### Introductory Findings and Recommendations



#### ECRB Report on NRAs MM Capacities and Procedures, 2018

#### **Findings**

- NRAs have clear legal competences for electricity and gas market monitoring;
- Albania, North Macedonia and Moldova have established separate departments for this purpose;
- Remaining NRAs conduct MM in the scope of other departments or as multisectoral activity organized through TFs
- Average number of employees allocated to market monitoring activities per NRA is six;
- MM activities are conducted by engineers, economists and lawyers;
- Most NRAs collect data on monthly, quarterly and annual basis, as well as upon their request to license holders;
- Licensed companies are legally obliged to submit data 15 to 60 days after the reporting period;
- In practice, these reports are mainly collected 15 to 45 days after the reporting period;
- NRAs have legally prescribed procedure/penalty in case of late arrival (no arrival) of requested data reports:
   (reminders/warning letters and/or orders/decisions for complying with the obligations for data reporting, and as a final stage imposing/initiating sanction);
- Market data is primarily collected in Excel files, although text formats (Word, PDF, hard copies) are also present;
- In most cases licensed companies submit their reports via email, and to a bit less extent through regular post;
- NRAs from Georgia and North Macedonia are using web application / software for data collection and analysis;
- Most of the NRAs are practicing data validation;
- In most cases, NRAs have formal and/or non-formal procedures for sharing MM findings within their institution;



#### Introductory Findings and Recommendations



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#### **Findings**

- Most of the NRAs have defined follow up procedures on findings for suspicious behavior of license holders/market participants, usually including:
  - additional inquires of the suspected licensed companies,
  - requesting additional information from other relevant authorities,
  - issuing orders/decisions for correction of determined irregularities, and as final steps if necessary, launching penalty procedure and/or initiating procedures for revoking license.
- NRAs have a regular practice of publishing data received through market monitoring activities on annual basis.
- Most of the NRAs have rules for treatment of commercially sensitive data, meaning that such data in general are not published.

#### Recomm

- 1. Strengthening human resources for market monitoring in general, by considering establishing and equipping accordingly separate MM departments in the cases where they are missing, as well as by engaging experts from other relevant fields where possible (e.g. mathematics, IT, trade, etc.);
- **2. Development and introduction of software tools** for data collection, validation and analysis, aimed at gathering accurate and timely data and information;
- **3. Adopting and implementing procedures for internal data/findings sharing**, aimed to secure adequate response to detected market abuses and/or barriers for well-functioning gas and electricity markets, and
- **4. Publication of MM data in shorter periods**, at least semi-annually, and where possible quarterly and monthly, with an aim to increase wider public understanding of the electricity and gas market functioning and building/strengthening confidence in liberalized energy markets in general.



#### **TF3: Proper Implementation**



#### **Mission**

Ongoing process of capacity/knowledge building of the NRAs to enable effective implementation and enforcement of the REMIT Regulation within Energy Community.

#### **Approach**

Needs assessment and development of tailor-made capacity building program:

- Trainings & Workshops,
- Exchange with ACER REMIT WG,
- Research and Publication,
- Other activities.

Implementation/Revision/Adaptation..



#### TF3: Proposed Kick off Activities



#### Needs Assessment

- Developing Questionnaire aimed to examine NRAs needs for capacity/knowledge building with focus on proper implementation of the adapted version of REMIT (29 Nov 2019).
- Email consultations and Questionnaire approval (15 Dec 2019).
- Provided answers by the NRAs (24 Jan 2020).

# Capacity building program

- First draft (6 March 2020)
- ECRB REMIT WG Consultations and Approval (30 March 2020)
- ECRB Approval (April 2020)
- Organizing First Workshop (June 2020)





#### Q&A

Other proposals, discussion, agreement on timeline...

## Available Resources for Implementing Capacity Building Program?!





### Thank you!

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