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Development of Regional Electricity Markets in EU Still more rapid progress in of the Nordic Countries Jan Moen NORWAY

The Second EU directive on Electricity: A new momentum to establish effective, independent, EU wide regulation ?

- More power to Regulators will it lead to harmonization or greater regulatory uncertainty and how will sector regulation co-exists with competition authorities?
- Will the new member states and Germany create more slowdown and uncertainty ?
- Will we see new investments in the power sector that can improve SoS and quality of supply ?
- Will regional markets be created and will cross border trade and competition be improved ?
- Transposition very slow in most countries, does it mean that national champions still have "support" and the "voice of Brussels" domestically still is low ?

The Nordic countries still show progress "independent" of the second directive !

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Rationale for trade in the Nordic countries

The Nordic countries have diversified generation capacity



Some basic barriers

- **Export** (oversupply) country : Consumer surplus down, producer surplus up!
 - Lowest prices, marginal price **increase**
- Import (excess demand) country : Consumer surplus up, producer surplus down
 - Highest prices, marginal price **down**
- Different marginal gains or losses for different segments of the market, but as a whole **net gains**!
- Collective agreement will be necessary!
 - Who will take the lead?
- Organizing "optimum" trade volumes difficult
 - Incentives to limit trade and use "market power"- some volumes always create larger benefits than no trade



Basic Regulatory needs for Power Trade

A general political agreement directives and Regulations used in EU that enables regulators to implement regulations tools for Interconnectors and transmission lines on a common basis (degree on harmonization)

Tariffs/compensation for use of lines and/or host transit necessary for efficient power trade

Congestion management on borders

Metering and settlements

Rules to handle **disputes**

Most of these tasks will be "operated" by TSOs and harmonizing regulation of TSOs will be important



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- Nordel was founded in 1963 as an organisation for Nordic co-operation in the electricity sector.
- Members were from the beginning "leading persons" in the sector in Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway and Sweden
- Nordel was established as an advisory and recommending body
- Goal to create and maintain the conditions for an efficient utalization of the Nordic electricity generation and transmission system

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Nordel objectives

NORDEL shall

Act as one Nordic TSO and be a basis for one uniform

Nordic electricity market

Solve grid investment problems Solve congestion management problems Apply uniform harmonised operational rules Solve transit problems

Be a leading developer in the Nordic market Be a strong force in the European market development Have capability to react promptly to challenges, make decisions and reach strong commitment

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Some conclusions

- Introduction of energy trade can very often result in that the **full gains** are not realized. From a firm or country perspective use of market power also represent net gains, but as a whole the region can benefit more by limiting market abuse
- National or general liberalization give **no guarantee** for the full benefit of power trade **removing** of national monopolies will be a must

Nordic market developed fast because :

- Strong governmental ownership
- Nordel "model" robust before and after sector reforms
- Nordic **political consensus** in critical elements of energy policy
- **Institution building very strong** continues strong support to FNER and CEER

Competition authorities proactive and good cooperation with Regulators





Trading Into Balance & Hedging the Price Risk



The Nordic Power Market



Two-market Concept



Day of Operation - 1



Price / volume bids Price determination based on bids and transmission capacities Binding contracts - de-centralised dispatch Financial settlement based on <u>contracted</u> volume and price.

Price = energy price +/- transmission capacity fee.

Real Time Market based on bids of increments and decrements of generation and load.

Imbalance = contracted volumes - metered volumes.

Financial settlement based on imbalances volume and RTM-price.

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Some established power exchanges



Nord Pool - markets

Elspot (Nord Pool Spot AS)

trade in physical-delivery contracts of 1-hour duration for next-day delivery

Regulating/Balance Markets

operated by national TSOs

Nordic Power Exchange (Nord Pool ASA)

financial power contracts, time horizon of up to 4 years

Clearing

of Exchange & OTC/Bilateral trades



Nord Pool

corporate structure



Nordic Balancing Market

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Conclusions 2

The Nordic Market **developed faster** than all other regions in Europe because:

Transition from pre 90`s to market opening was relatively easy because the structural "mandatory" **changes were quite easy to carry out** (NORDEL Development, NordPool etc)

A **monopolistic ownership** where government and municipalities **facilitated** this market development process – privatization was slow and a "goal" the ensure governments "control" own hydropower (limited number of players with same interests)

The Nordic council of minister who **participated fruitfully** in the pre 90's with NORDEL managed still to be a facilitator for more efficient Nordic power market (one common TSO within NORDEL)

NordPool ownership split between the Nordic TSOs

Regulators **proactive** and cooperated through FNER

Net **effects were very positive** (lower prices) and accelerated further development



Quick summary of end use market in Norway

In principle all customers have **access** to the market and can change supplier when that want (3 weeks before new suppliers will connect you)

Challenge how to do the metering and **settlements at low cots** without costly new 2way communication

Adjusted low profiles worked very well and was easy to implement

Fee to "cover" switching cost gradually went down

Competition authorities makes a list of supplier in each community at different volumes

Public debate on prices and how to choose the "best" offer

Norwegian Regulator proactive and **support from politicians** were important to speed up the process





Norwegian and Nordic import and spotprice, GWh og kr/MWh



Spot price and standard variable price to households



Conclusions end use market

Easy to switch suppliers and in most communities there are enough suppliers to ensure **efficient competition**

Over time a very good correlation between spot price and power element in end use tariff

Switching fee very fast down to zero

2way communication gradually introduced when cost effective

Norwegian system has an **impact** on other Nordic countries and hopefully CEER and ERGEG

Future "ENEL" solution will be considered

Political support to "simple" switching procedures and competition in the end-use market also for small customers

