

# GGP-VQM: Financing of VQM Programs

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# Financing of VQM

#### Cost assessment:

- VQ monitoring devices
- > data collection, transmission, analysis and storage
- maintenance

### Financing framework:

- Source of funding?
- Who and how approves?



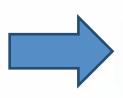


# **VQM Cost Assessment**

#### Estimation for a hypothetical medium-size European country:

- Network assumptions
  - > 150 EHV/HV substations
  - > 650 HV/MV substations
  - > 5 000 MV feeders
  - > 120 000 MV/LV transformers

- > 10 million customers
- ➤ CAPEX: 83 €/customer/year
- > OPEX: 70 €/customer/year
- National VQM program assumptions
  - > 1 bus monitored in:
    - each EHV/HV substations
    - each HV/MV substations
    - 0,5% MV/LV transformers



1400 units



# **VQM Cost Assessment**

#### National VQM program (1400 units):

#### Capital expenses

> Device cost: 5000 - 10 000 €/device

> Device life-time: 10 years

> Roll out: 10 years



#### CAPEX: 0.7 - 1.4 million €/year

0,09% - 0,17%

830 million €/year

**CAPEX of the GRID** 

#### Operational expenses

- > 375 €/device/year
- > 375 €/device/year (calibration)



#### OPEX: 525 000 - 1 050 000 €/year



700 million €/year

**OPEX of the GRID** 

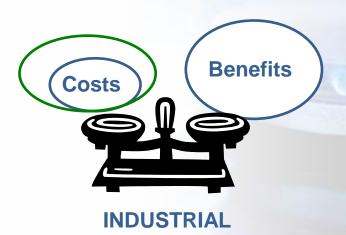


# Financing Framework

#### **Financing Framework**

Grid tariffs





Well designed grid tariffs can fairly distribute the expenses!

- > Spreading expenses:
  - per consumed energy
  - ratio of installed power
  - maximum hourly consumption



# Financing of VQM Recommendations

#### **Recommendations:**

- ➤ NRAs should follow their national VQM programs and to keep inventory of respective expenses.
- ➤ It is reasonable to allocate the national VQM program expenses to all customers, through the use of grid tariffs, since they represent less than 0,2% of the annual CAPEX and OPEX.
- > Special attention should be given to grid tariffs design in order to balance the costs and benefits of the different type of customers.
- NRAs are responsible to approve annual budget for national VQM programs. However, the figures of such investment should be more detailed and transparent.
- Further cooperation of the network operators with research institutes and universities to apply VQM data towards a more cost-effective planning and operation of the electricity network is needed.



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