

Press Release

ENTSOG and ACER publish the first roadmap for the early implementation of European gas rules on capacity allocation mechanisms (CAM)

The European Network of Transmission System Operators for Gas (ENTSOG) and the Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators (ACER) launch today the roadmap to facilitate and support the early implementation of the network code on Capacity Allocation Mechanisms (CAM NC) for gas.

By means of the pilot projects which are part of this roadmap, a large number of TSOs, in cooperation with NRAs in 12 Member States – Austria, Belgium, Denmark, France, Germany, Hungary, Italy, The Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania and Spain – have begun to implement the provisions of the network code, such as harmonised auctions and the offer of bundled capacity, on a voluntary basis. The CAM network code is currently in the comitology process and is expected to be adopted and enter into force during the second half of 2013.

ACER, ENTSOG, European Commission, TSOs and NRAs have cooperated closely in the elaboration of this roadmap, which builds on the experience gained in pilot projects and aims at facilitating the early implementation of the CAM network code by:

- Outlining the governance structures during its implementation stage, i.e. the organisational arrangements that can help to monitor and facilitate the implementation process.
- Describing roles and responsibilities for all parties involved in developing and facilitating projects.
- Providing an overview of the implementation process, including how current projects are implementing key provisions of the CAM NC.
- Reporting the implementation challenges and issues identified by project participants, alongside key factors that have been identified as contributing to the success of early implementation efforts.
- Eventually enabling the convergence of current (or yet to be started) projects towards integrated solutions.

In the CAM Roadmap, ACER and ENTSOG take stock of the issues already identified in the implementation of CAM pilot projects, and note that this voluntary early implementation work requires that certain conditions are in place, such as the adaptation of the legal and regulatory environment, strong support from all parties and the coverage of appropriately incurred costs.

This first complete version of the roadmap will be updated as necessary, and at least once at the end of 2013, to reflect progress in the early implementation of the network code.

The Roadmap is available at:

<http://www.entsog.eu/publications/capacity-allocation-cam>

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Editorial notes

- > ENTSOG was founded on 1 December 2009 in line with Regulation (EC) 715/2009 and currently comprises 39 members and 2 Associated Partners from 24 EU countries, and 3 Observers from 3 non-EU countries.
- > In line with Articles 6, 7 and 8 of the Regulation (EC) 715/2009, ENTSOG has the task to elaborate network codes in a number of areas and to adopt a non-binding community-wide Ten-Year Network Development Plan on biennial basis, Winter and Summer Supply Outlooks, common network operation tools, recommendations relating to the coordination of technical cooperation between community and third-country Transmission System Operators, Annual Work Programmes and Annual Reports.
- > The following TSOs are engaged in projects for the early implementation of the CAM NC that are included in the Roadmap:
 - Austria: BOG, Gas Connect Austria, TAG
 - Belgium: Fluxys Belgium
 - Denmark: energinet.dk
 - France: GRTgaz
 - Germany: Bayernets, Fluxys Tenp, GASCADE, GTG Nord, Gasunie Deutschland, GRTgaz Deutschland, JordgasTransport, terranets bw, Thyssengas, NEL, Nowega, Ontras, Open Grid Europe
 - Hungary: FGSZ
 - Italy: Snam Rete Gas

- Netherlands: Gasunie Transport Services
- Poland: GAZ-SYSTEM
- Portugal: REN
- Romania: Transgaz
- Spain: Enagás