

# **Working Group Regulation**

## **Actions & Agreements**

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## **Participants**

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## **Guest speakers & Observers**

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## **Actions agreed**

Subject	Action	Timeframe	Responsible
Policy Updates	<ul> <li>Carmen Gimeno &amp; Federica Bruni presented the latest policy updates, with a focus on Electricity Market Design and its status. The Compromise text of the file will be analyzed more in detail within the dedicated Task Force once available.</li> <li>Carmen Gimeno briefed the group on the European Commission Action Plan on Grids released on 28 November, she presented the 7 challenges identified by the EC along with an in-detail presentation of the important actions for DSOs.</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>ACTIONS:</li> <li>GEODE Secretariat will keep updating Working Group members on the main policy developments.</li> <li>The WG and the Secretariat agreed to engage in discussions on how to concretely ensure that the actions within the Action Plan on Grids &amp; EMD Reform are transposed at National Level (NRAs).</li> <li>The Secretariat will work towards the organization of an informal roundtable with DSOs and regulators to exchange on the implementation of anticipatory investments, flexible connections agreements, etc, how to attract investments.</li> <li>Financing of infrastructure is identified as a relevant issue for DSOs. The WG wants to work further on this topic.</li> </ul>	Ongoing 2024 2024	GEODE Secretariat  GEODE Secretariat  GEODE Secretariat
Flexible Connection Agreements – Presentation by CEER	<ul> <li>SUMMARY:         <ul> <li>Judit Krajcs, from the Hungarian NRA, presented CEERs paper on Alternative Connections Agreements, highlighting the methodology of the reports and findings on factors impacting the regulatory application of alternative connections agreements.</li> </ul> </li> <li>During the discussion, she also pointed out that the EMD Reform will have an impact on the use and application of these flexible agreements, and that hence the study, which took data from 2020 would not be reflective of the current and future situation as it would need to be updated</li> </ul>		



	DISCUSSION:		
	<ul> <li>LisbethVingås inquired on how regulators see the interaction of flexible connections agreements and prosumers flexibility. In the sense, on whether they should be allowed to participate in energy sharing or energy communities, and other flexibility products. In her opinion there are lot of measures/tools to solve same problem and they might contradict or negatively impact each other.</li> </ul>		
	Judit Krajcs, replied that, in her opinion it would have to depend on the type of alternative connection agreement, if for example the capacity could be ensured for certain timeframes, etc.		
	<ul> <li>For any questions on the reports, WG participants are encouraged to get in touch with Judit Krajcs via email: <u>krajcsj@mekh.hu</u>;</li> </ul>		
Revenue Regulation – Framework in Norway	SUMMARY: Lisbeth Vingås presented the topology of Norway's electricity grid and revenue regulation framework in place. She highlighted that they appreciate the yearly revision of the calculation, as they could directly see how investments, or their postponement affect the tariffs' structure. However still all elements of the methodology shared a traditional orientation,		
	<ul> <li>ACTIONS:</li> <li>Pilar Barrera highlighted similarities in the calculations with the Austrian example presented in the previous meeting, however the timeline for application is longer in the Austrian case (5 years).</li> </ul>		Drafting Team
	The presentations of the different frameworks will feed into the development of the GEODE position paper on income regulation.	2024 - January	/ GEODE Secretariat
Anticipatory investments – UK case study	SUMMARY:  James Pleass (ENA) presented the Anticipatory Investment Scheme in UK, named ASTI framework, which affects 26 strategic TSO projects, concerning among other connections to the island of Lewis in the Outer Hebrides and mainland Scotland. He highlighted how the regulator analysis concluded that these anticipatory investments would serve consumers better than if a business as usual approach would have been kept.		
	He later completed his presentation by highlighting that the primary benefit for DSOs of these anticipatory investments at TSO level is in the creation of additional capacity. The constrained nature of the current system		



	is a key reason for delayed connections, a bugbear of the DSOs.		
Revenue Regulation – GEODE position	SUMMARY:  • Per Everhill presented the main principles of a first draft of GEODE's position paper on revenue regulation, identifying 6 Principles that are essential for the development of the next generation of European energy grids.		
	<ul> <li>ACTIONS:</li> <li>Setting up of a drafting team composed of Per Everhill (SE), Lisbeth Vingås (NO), Ina Lehto (FI) and Pilar Barrera (AT), with its first meeting taking place in January.</li> <li>For the scope of the paper to be expanded, targeting both national regulators, as well as the future European Commission.</li> <li>Per will share the Draft paper with the drafting team, so they submit feedback in track changes.</li> <li>A call of the drafting team will be arranged in January 2024 once feed-back is received.</li> </ul>	January 2024 ASAP	Drafting Team/ GEODE Secretariat  GEODE Secretariat
Energy Sharing — Factsheet	<ul> <li>SUMMARY:</li> <li>Carmen Gimeno highlighted the discussions at the first meeting on GEODE's Fact sheet on Energy Sharing. A factsheet jointly prepared by WG Regulation and Innovation. She presented 7 propositions issued from the discussion, which could serve as subchapter to the factsheet.</li> <li>Per Everhill &amp; Lisbeth Vingås volunteer to participate in the drafting of the fact-sheet.</li> <li>ACTIONS:</li> <li>For GEODE to continue developing the Factsheet based on the 7 subchapters.</li> <li>Propose to the EMD Task Force to also take part in the development of the Factsheet.</li> </ul>		Drafting Team /GEODE Secretariat GEODE Secretariat
Next WG meeting	<ul> <li>ACTIONS</li> <li>Secretariat to send out a Doodle for the next meeting in February/March.</li> </ul>	Asap	GEODE Secretariat