# **Electricity Balancing Network Code Update**







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### **Balancing Code**

#### What is it?

- Aim is harmonisation of the balancing regimes across Europe
- On a TSO to TSO basis
- Standardise roles & responsibilities of all "electricity balancing" stakeholders
- Implement integrated, harmonised, coordinated balancing regimes

#### What does it contain?

- Covers three main areas:
  - Procurement of balancing reserve and energy, product definition
  - Reservation of interconnector capacity for balancing purposes
  - Imbalance settlement, price, volume, responsibilities

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#### What stage are we at? What are the issues?

- Proposes creating CoBAs, within which cooperation takes place
- GB will participate in "common merit order" for balancing products
  - Standard Products will be defined for exchange and sharing
  - Specific Products will be allowed in order to meet SS requirements [GB BM]
  - GB independent frequency control and operational security paramount
  - Balancing gate closure time will be at the end of ID markets
- GB has several TSOS applicability of code?
  - TSO likely to be replaced by Entso-e in common with other codes
- Impact assessment being undertaken
- Proposed transition period is two years i.e. use of products, reserve procurement etc.

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#### What's the plan?

■ 17<sup>th</sup> June 13 Public consultation started

https://www.entsoe.eu/consultations/

■ 17 July ENTSO-E public workshop

■ 6/7 August JESG Technical Workshop

■ Sept 13 Analysis of responses and updated code issued

■ Nov 13 Final draft code

■ Dec 13 Code submitted to ACER, Comitology starts

### **Get involved**

#### **Options**

- Respond to the consultation at https://www.entsoe.eu/
- Attend the JESG @ Elexon on 19th June 2013.
- Attend the 3rd Stakeholder workshop in Brussels in October 2013, details at https://www.entsoe.eu/
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