



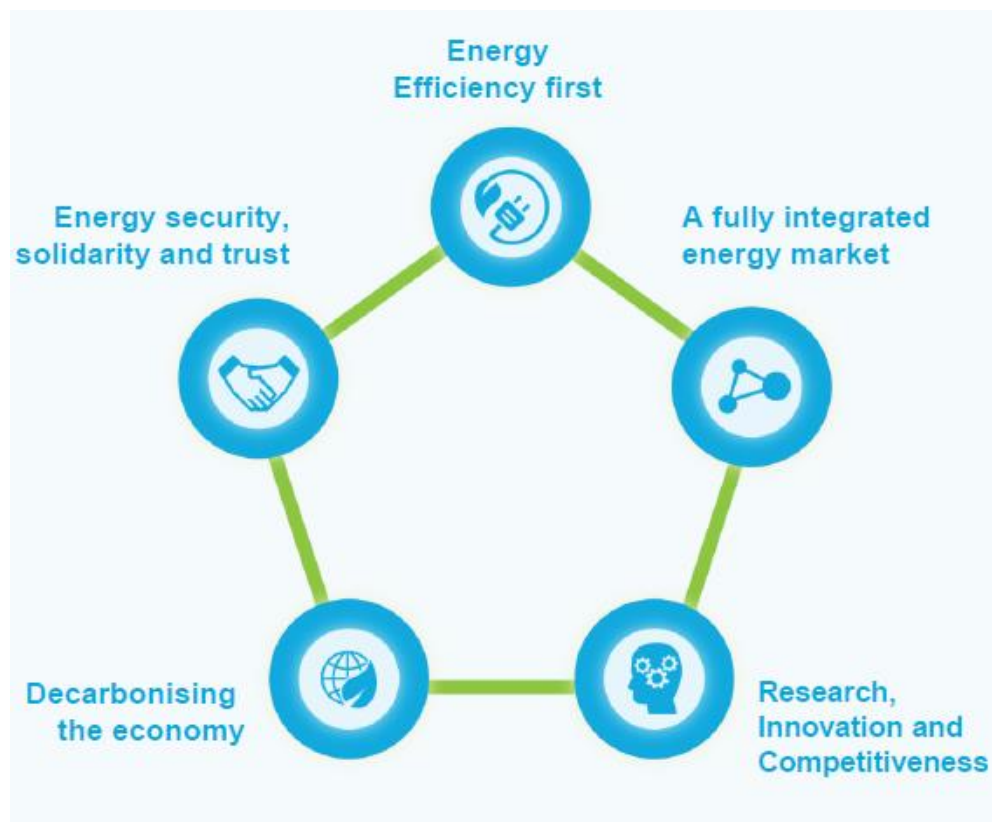
# CLEAN ENERGY FOR ALL EUROPEANS

Stepping Up Regional Cooperation

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LEGISLATIVE PACKAGE – IMPLEMENTING THE ENERGY UNION STRATEGY

AN ENERGY UNION BASED ON 5 MUTUALLY SUPPORTIVE AND INTERLINKED DIMENSIONS



## WHY DO WE NEED THIS PACKAGE?

CONTEXT CHANGE : THE ENERGY SYSTEM OF TOMORROW WILL LOOK DIFFERENTLY



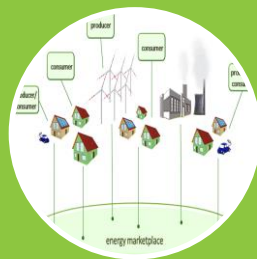
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50% of electricity  
to come from  
renewables



2050

Electricity  
completely carbon  
free



Today

Increasingly  
decentralized power  
generation



2021-2030

Investment needs  
75 bn/Year (47 %  
network)

Technological and political developments require an overhaul of the market rules



## WHAT?



Boost wholesale market **flexibility** and provide **clear price signals** to facilitate the continuing penetration of renewable energies and ensure investments



Enable **active consumer participation** and ensure that **consumers are protected and benefit** from progress in energy technologies



Promote **regional cooperation** and provide a true **European dimension to security of supply**

## WHERE?

### Electricity Regulation (RECAST)

- Contains majority of new wholesale rules

### Electricity Directive (RECAST)

- Contains majority of new retail provisions

### ACER Regulation (RECAST)

- ACER tasks

### Regulation on Risk Preparedness (NEW)

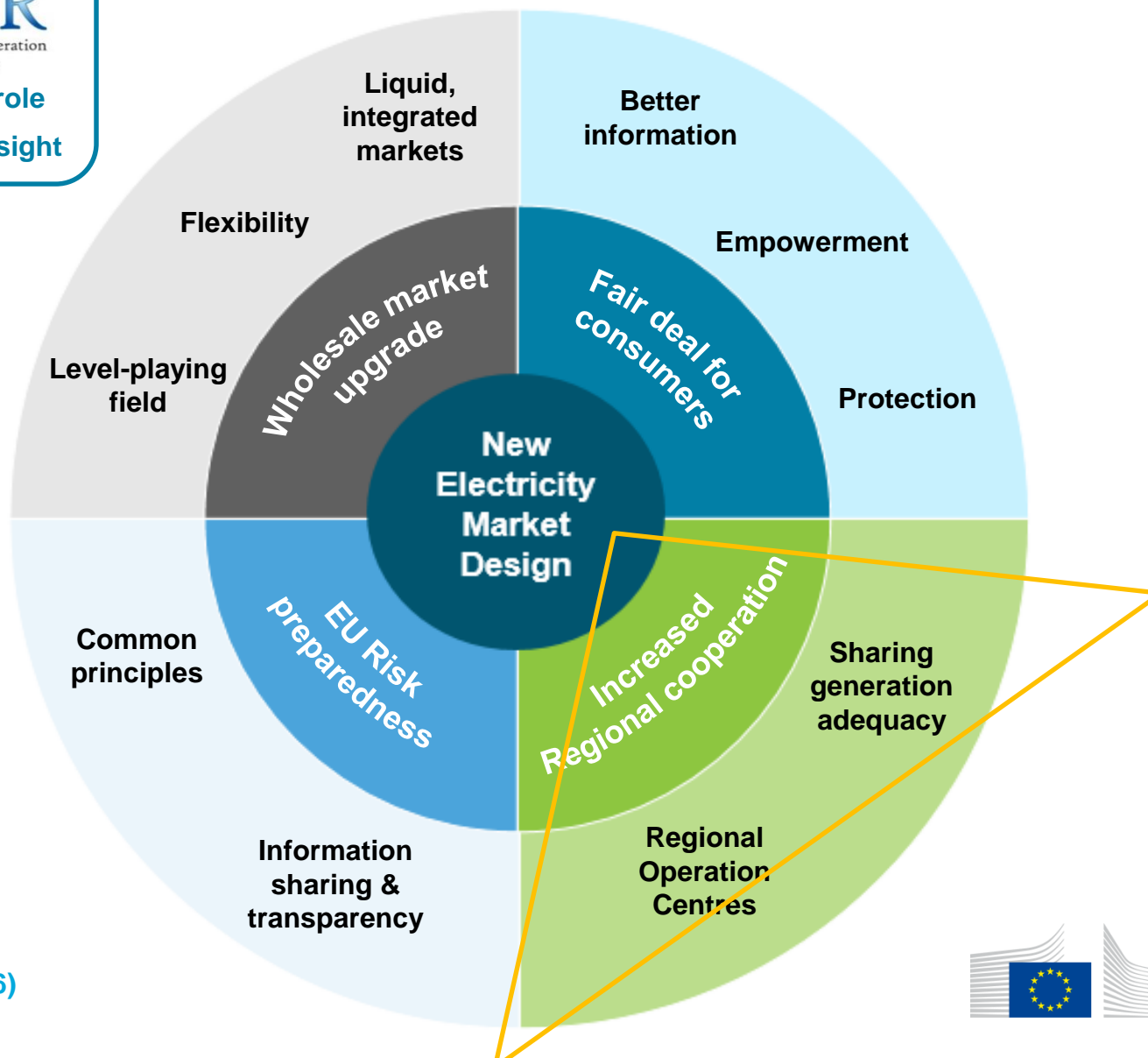
- Member States put in place appropriate tools to prevent, prepare for and manage electricity crisis situations

ACER

Agency for the Cooperation  
of Energy Regulators

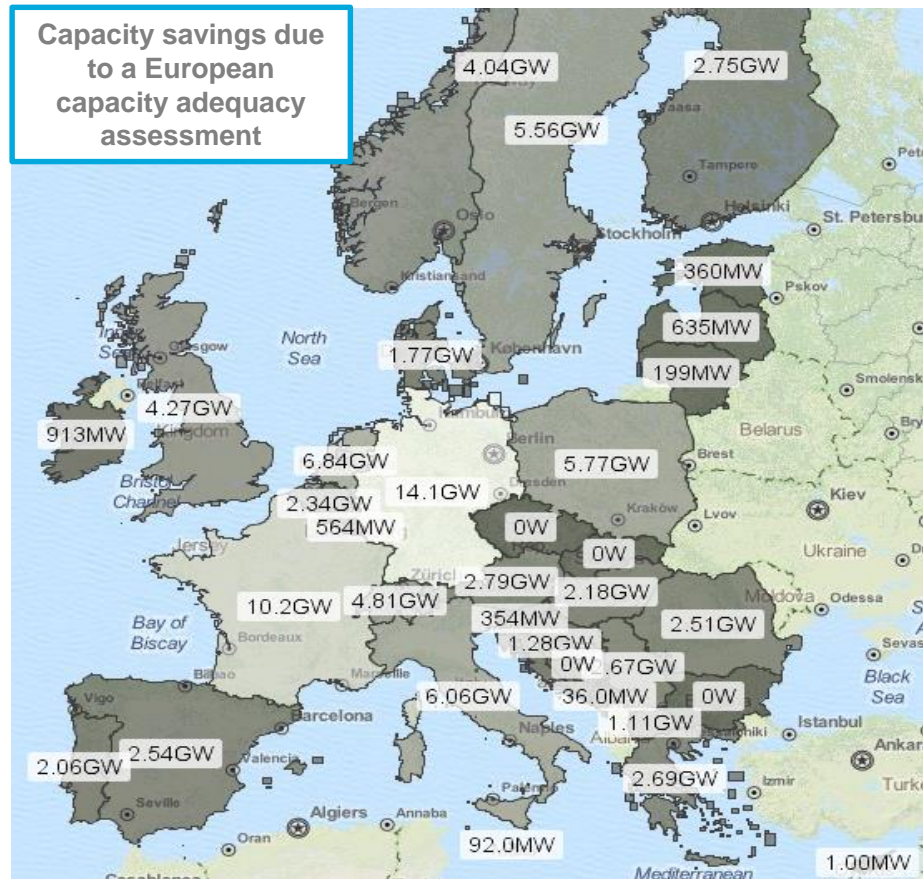
Strengthened role  
Regulatory oversight

HOW?





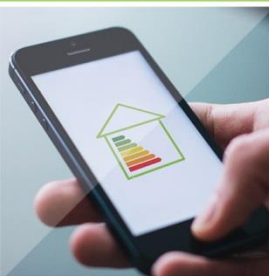
## STEPPING UP REGIONAL COOPERATION



- Development of a **European adequacy assessment** → mandatory use for CMs
- Common capacity mechanisms principles** in line with the Sector Inquiry to ensure least-distortive design  
→ **550 gr CO<sub>2</sub>/kWh** threshold
- Regional Operation Centres (ROCs)**  
→ building on existing RSCs, additional tasks (e.g. sizing of reserve capacity), some decision-making power



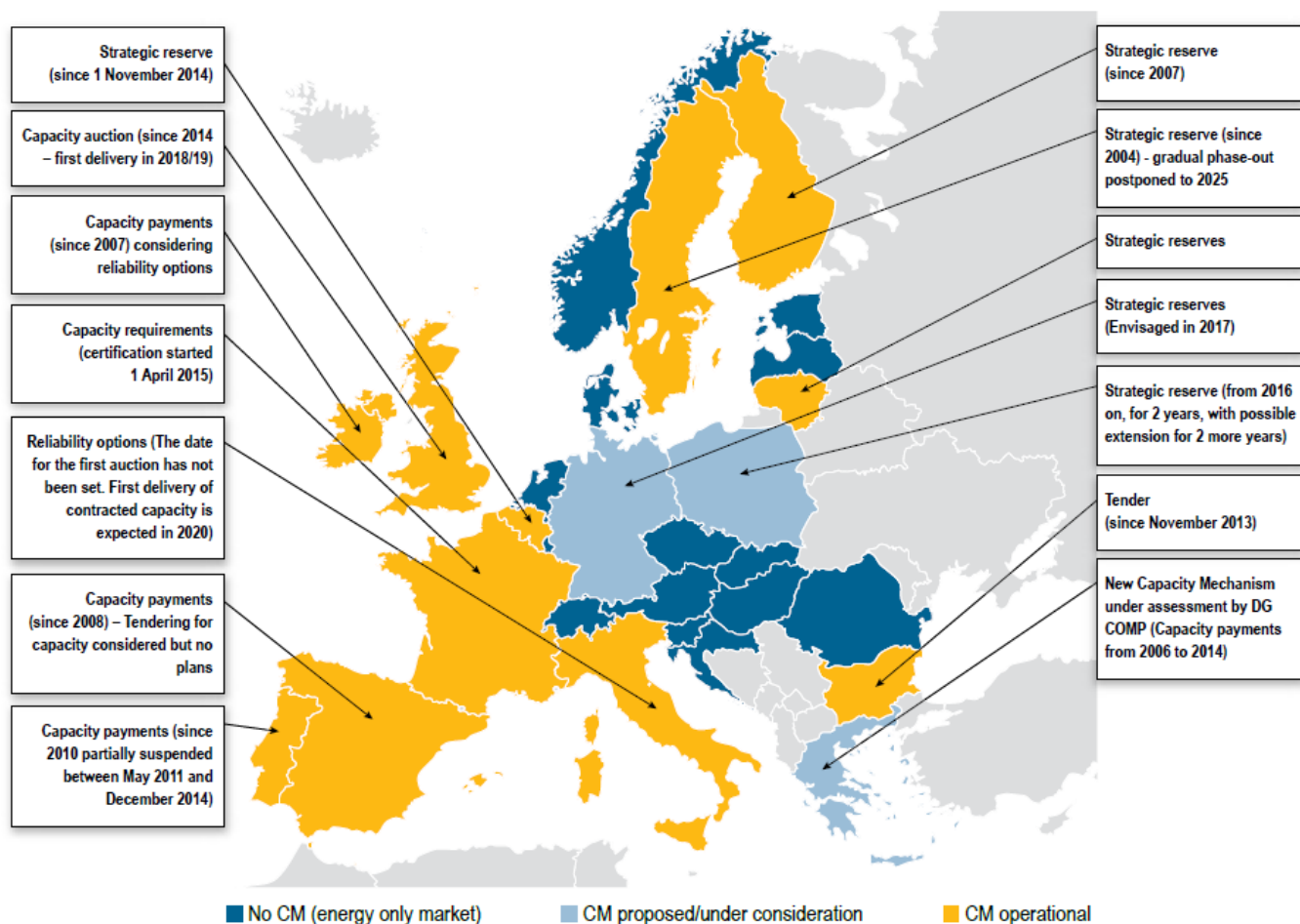
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# Capacity mechanisms



## State of play: Proliferation of capacity mechanisms across Europe



Source: NRAs (2016) and European Commission's report on the sector inquiry into CMs (2016).

## Problem #1: Absence of common methods makes it difficult to assess the necessity of planned and existing CMs

I

### Adequacy assessment

- Proposed CMs are based on national assessments
  - Methodologies differ (contribution of foreign capacity, RES, ...)
- EU adequacy assessments
  - Methodology needs a review

II

### Reliability standard

- Many MS applying CMs do not have transparent standards
  - Practices to define standards differ (link with VoLL)

Prevent a common view on the adequacy situation

Do not allow the Commission to effectively assess the necessity of CMs

## Problem #2: CMs introduced in an uncoordinated manner can be inefficient and distort cross-border trade on wholesale markets

III

### Cross-Border Participation

- Foreign capacity is rarely allowed to participate in CMs
  - X-border participation requires multiple arrangements involving several parties (TSO, NRAs)
  - Difficult exercise requiring willingness and cooperation from all parties

Distortions to investment signals

Risk of costly over-procurement of capacity

-> Increasing risk of fragmentation of the internal market

## What are we proposing in the Recast Electricity Regulation?

I

- Exploit reform of energy-only market first
- CMs only to address residual concerns

II

Necessity of  
CMs to be  
based on real  
needs

Transparency  
of reliability  
standards

Rules for cross-  
border  
participation

Emission  
threshold for  
resources  
committed in  
CMs

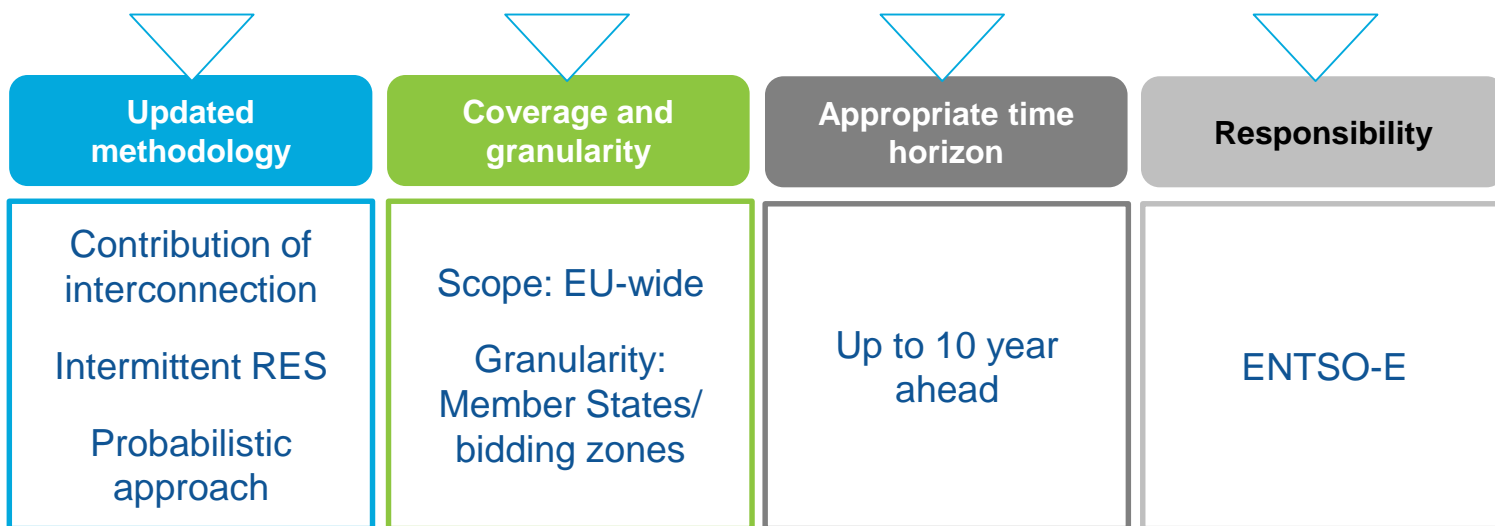


### STATE AID RULES

1. Guidelines
2. Case by case notifications to and assessment by the Commission (DG COMP)

## Revision #1: State-of-the-art resource adequacy assessment by ENTSO-E

### EU-wide adequacy assessment as basis for national CM claims



✓ Facilitate EU assessment of national adequacy concerns



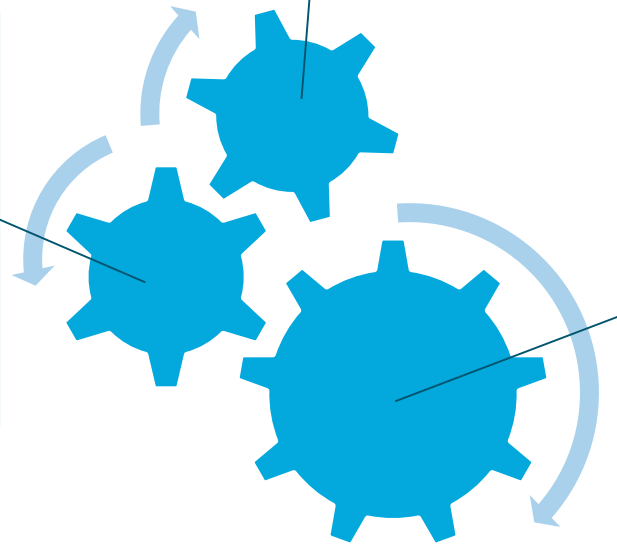
## Revision 2: EU framework for cross-border participation in CMs

### Cross-border participation is possible

- Explicit participation of foreign capacity

### No interference with physical flows

- Primacy of 'market coupling'
- No delivery obligation across the border. Market prices to guide flows in times of system stress



### TSOs play an important role

- Calculate and allocate capacity for cross-border participation
- Verify availability of resources
- Transparent protocols for simultaneous scarcity situations



- ✓ Facilitate cross-border participation in CMs (in support of State Aid rules)
- ✓ Remove distortions to investment signals

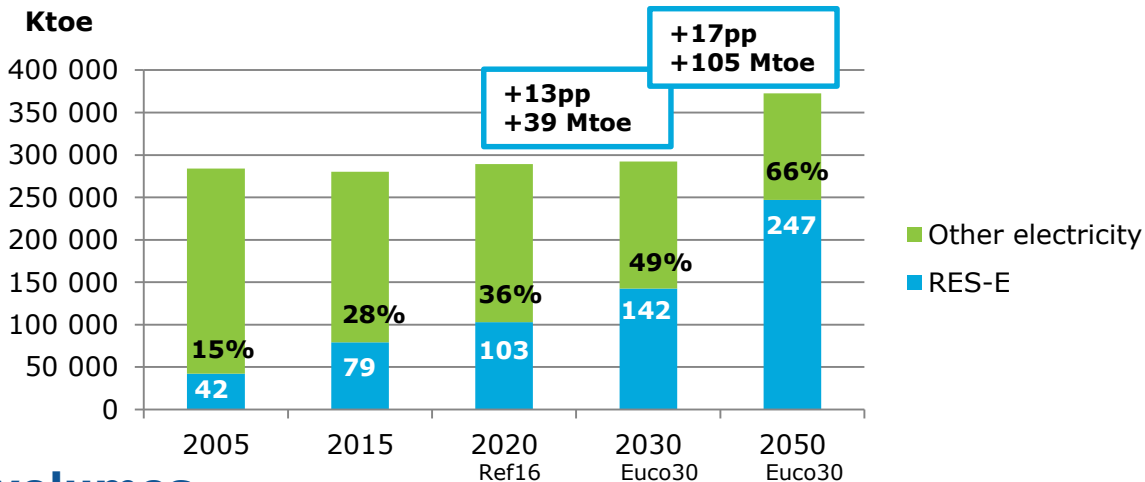


# Regional Operational Centres (ROCs)

## Fact: System Operation is much more interrelated than in the past

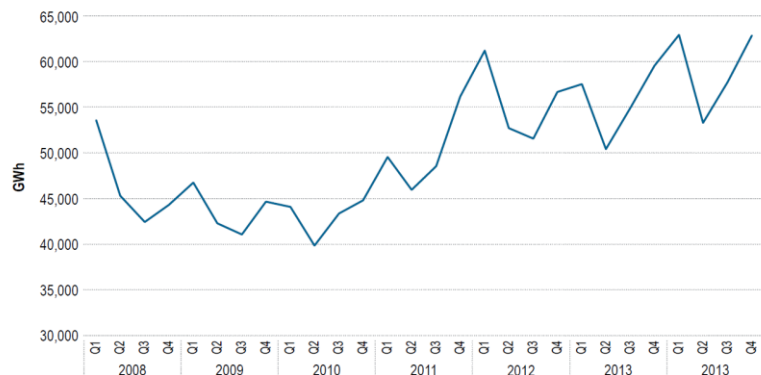
**Driver 1:** .. increasing shares of intermittent RES and decentralised generation (driven by the Renewable Energy Directive) and...

### RES-e share of total electricity



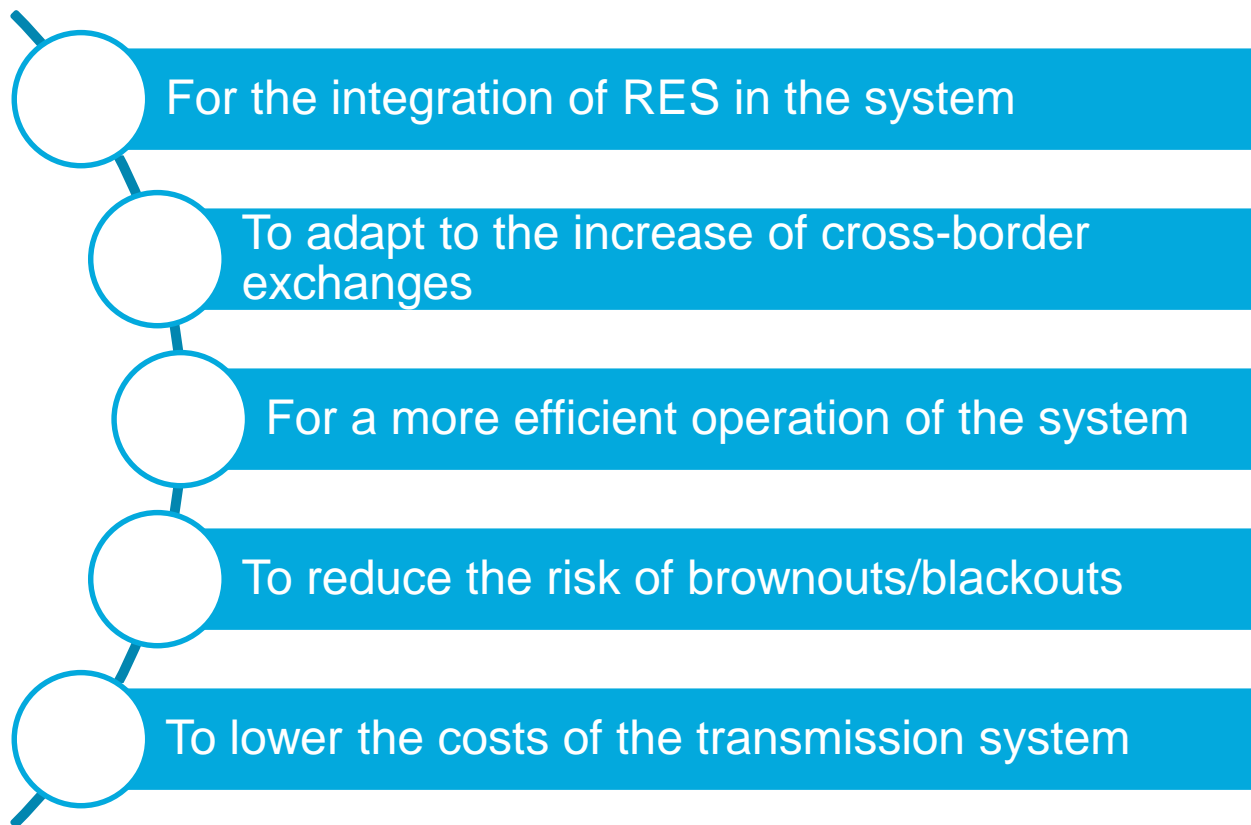
### Evolution of XB DA traded volumes

Figure 62: Evolution of cross-border traded electricity (DA nominations) for a selection of borders in Europe – 2008–2014 (GWh)



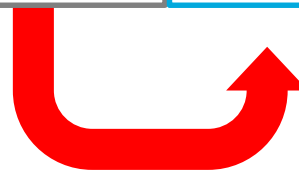
**Driver 2:** ... unprecedented interconnection development and closer market integration (driven by the Third Energy package)

## Why do we need ROCs?



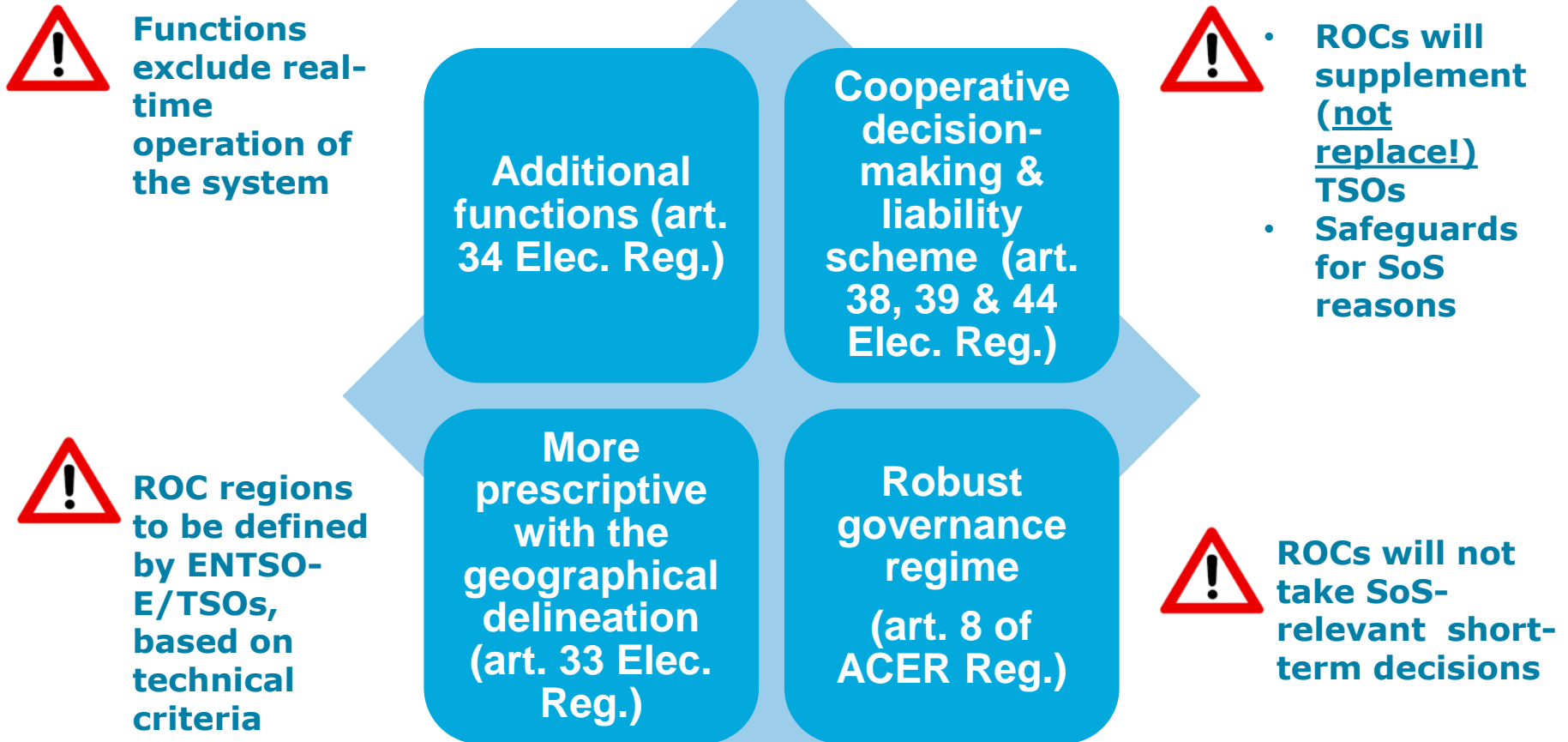
## What's the status quo? What's our preferred measure?

Voluntary cooperation (existing RSCIs)	Mandated cooperation via System Operation Guidelines (RSCs)	Mandated cooperation via Market Design Initiative (ROCs)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cooperation based on existing initiatives (e.g. Coreso, TSC...)</li> <li>• Advisory role: input to TSOs operations but no decision-making powers</li> <li>• Implementation time: <b>current status quo</b></li> </ul> <div data-bbox="193 1006 318 1106"> </div> <p data-bbox="338 1021 937 1106">Framework not suitable for a post-2020 context !!</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mandatory cooperation in the framework of network codes (RSCs)</li> <li>• Full regional coverage, minimum size of regions</li> <li>• 5 Functions defined in network codes</li> <li>• Advisory role.</li> <li>• Implementation time: <b>1-3 years</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enhancing the RSC set up by:               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Additional functions</li> <li>b. Cooperative decision-making</li> <li>c. More prescriptive with the geographical delineation</li> </ol> </li> <li>• Implementation time: <b>5-7 years</b></li> </ul>





## What are we proposing?



## REGIONAL OPERATION CENTRES

### Extend Functions

- Need for enhanced cooperation not disputed
- Still potential benefits from looking beyond national borders

### Geog. Scope

- TSOs to prepare proposal, ACER to approve
- All functions to be performed by each ROC

### Decision Making

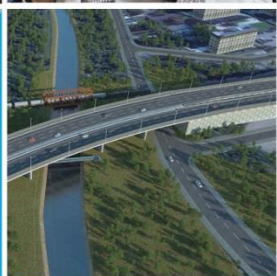
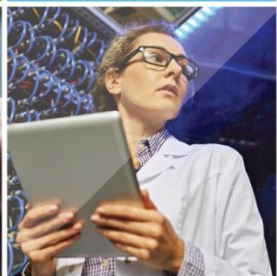
- TSOs to develop decision-making process
- Decisions binding unless risk to the system
- Any TSO can request a review of decisions

### Oversight

- Oversight given to the NRAs (observers on the board)
- Oversight also to ACER



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**Thank you!**