



## THE COUPLING OF THE SLOVENIAN AND CROATIAN MARKETS: A FURTHER STEP TOWARDS THE INTEGRATION OF THE EUROPEAN POWER MARKETS

29 June 2017 - The Transmission System Operators ELES and HOPS and Power Exchanges BSP and CROPEX have in 2017 launched a dedicated project with support of both national regulators Energy Agency (Slovenia) and HERA (Croatia). The goal is to implement the European target model for day-ahead Capacity Allocation and Congestion Management on the Slovenian - Croatian border.

The project is an extension to the NTC based day-ahead market coupling approach including its operational procedures, initially developed for the Italian borders (IBWT). This new border will be fully embedded in the Multi Regional Coupling (MRC).

The design phase launched in April 2017 consists of amending the High Level Business Process and elaborating the changes in the existing operational procedures for IBWT region. The implementation phase will follow after successful finalization of the design phase with the implementation of changed procedures, developing the required IT changes, testing the proposed solution as well as assuring that the required regulatory changes in both countries will be applied.

The project on Slovenian – Croatian border is scheduled to go live in Q2 2018. Market participants will be informed about the testing and exact date of go-live, which is subject to technical readiness and regulatory approvals.