



EFET Proposal & Public Consultation – Main Results

Public Consultation - FUNC issue ID 01/2020 'Greater flexibility to book firm capacity at IPs'



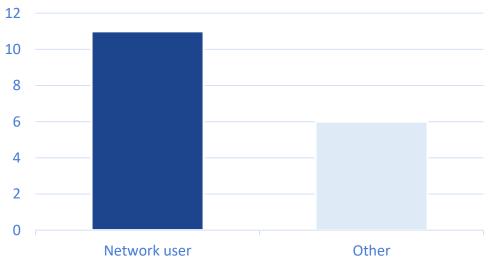


General overview of participants



Participant name	Country
Anonymous participant 1	NA
Anonymous participant 2	NA
Anonymous participant 3	NA
Anonymous participant 4	NA
PRISMA European Capacity Platform GmbH	Germany
BDEW Bundesverband der Energie- und Wasserwirtschaft	Germany
Bord Gáis Energy Ltd	Ireland
EFET	Netherlands
EnBW	Germany
Eni	Italy
Equinor ASA	Norway
Europex	Belgium
Interconnector UK LTD	Belgium
National Grid	United Kingdom
NATURGY	Spain
OMV Gas Marketing & Trading GmbH	Austria
RWE Supply & Trading	Germany

Roles of the 17 participants



Other:

- 2 Business Associations (EFET and BDEW)
- 2 TSOs (IUK and National Grid)*
- 1 Exchange Association (Europex)
- 1 Capacity Booking Platform Operator

^{*}Some UK TSOs participated in the public consultation since, at the point in time of the consultation, it was still unclear how Brexit would affect their membership in ENTSOG

On the design of the **current auction algorithms**, ~60% found them either highly or somewhat suitable to their current needs and the majority (70%) indicated they do not face any specific problems with the design of the current auction algorithms.

Section 1: Questions aimed at evaluating the key provisions of the NC CAM

The participants are in general satisfied with the **current runtimes**, however, a broader range of runtimes of products and/or an adaption of the current runtimes have been requested by the majority of the participants.

The participants were less satisfied with the **auction calendar** compared to with the **auction algorithms.** ~40% found the auction calendar to be 'reasonably suitable for my current needs' and the majority (71%) of participants have indicated they are facing problems with the auction calendar.

No consensus on whether the solution should be voluntary or mandatory

76% of the participants replied that they **agree with the problems** identified by EFET

Section 2: Questions aimed at collecting feedback on the EFET proposal

Most participants considered EFET's proposal to introduce more auctions for monthly, quarterly, and yearly capacity as an improvement to the current rules

More auctions for yearly capacity have a bit less support than monthly and quarterly. **Monthly capacity seems to be the most appealing capacity**

Participants have shown a strong interest for additional runtimes as well as products in line with commodity products. Also highlighted that the more runtimes, the more complex the capacity allocation would be.

Section 3: Questions aimed at exploring other options besides the EFET proposal

Offering capacity further in advance of delivery could be desirable to align with commodity market and plan further ahead, but to have the opportunity to book capacity closer to the moment of delivery would also be desirable.

Secure Monthly auctions

More auctions for more opportunity

Improve WD auctions

Take aways of public consultation and EFET requests

New runtimes (long- and short-term)

Book earlier or later (closer to product start)

ANNEXES (PC and EFET verbatim)

Increasing the frequency of CAM auctions with a standardised timing

More opportunities for arbitrage (commodity trades and capacity booking) Flexibility provided by runtimes of capacity auctions will only be fully exploited if auctions are held when spreads prices are wide enough

More auctions for more opportunity

Supplementary uniform price allocation (UPA) auctions, for yearly, quarterly and monthly products

Extend the offering of Yearly and Quaterly auctions (as the current calendar remains fairly restrictive on a long-term basis / more flexibility to book annual and quarterly products can be introduced)

Speed up auction rounds

The ability to **offer capacity more frequently** would also help to overcome the issue

Secure Monthly products

Secure monthly capacity rights and **avoid undersells** in case of congestions when ACA will not result in full allocation

Offer interruptible capacity/over nomination once a high level (e.g. 95%) of available capacity has been contracted would also improve market

Fill the gap between commercial products and calendar year. The yearly basis 'gas year' does not fit to the standard trading product 'calendar year' on the wholesale market

There could be a merit in allowing quarterly products to be bookable up to **two gas years** out (rather than one gas year out at present)

Long and short term new runtimes

Buy the capacity at the same time than the storage or at least closer in time than it is today (for a shipper that buy **yearly storage** capacity, it would be preferable to be able to)

Creating additional capacity products (e.g. weekend, working-days, next week products, BoM etc.) can contribute to enhance capacity booking flexibility. A broader range of products may create more benefit and efficiency for the entire market

Book earlier (knowing the capacity positions further in advance is beneficial to the supply/demand balance of the market, and will reduce the likelihood of supply shortages caused by waiting for Daily or Within Day opportunities

Auctions for monthly capacity to take place in the **second part of the month** (in order to have a clearer view on our capacity needs)

Book earlier or later (closer to product start)

Monthly products to be bookable up to three months out (rather than one month out at present)

Annual auctions are too early and should be moved closer to the gas year. Quarterly should also be moved closer to their use date

Change closing of first WD auction

Within-day auction improvement

Propose more WD auctions (can contribute to enhance capacity booking flexibility)