

# **INTERMITTENT RENEWABLES, BALANCING POWER AND ELECTRICITY MARKET DESIGN (INTREPED)**

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## **AGENDA**

- 1. Background: Some future challenges for the electricity market**
2. Overview of the project INTREPED
3. Congestion Management by Dispatch or Re-dispatch: Flexibility Costs and Market Power Effects

## CHANGING CONDITIONS

- Higher shares of intermittent power
- More interconnected Nordic and European power markets
- Higher demand for balancing services
- Investment needs

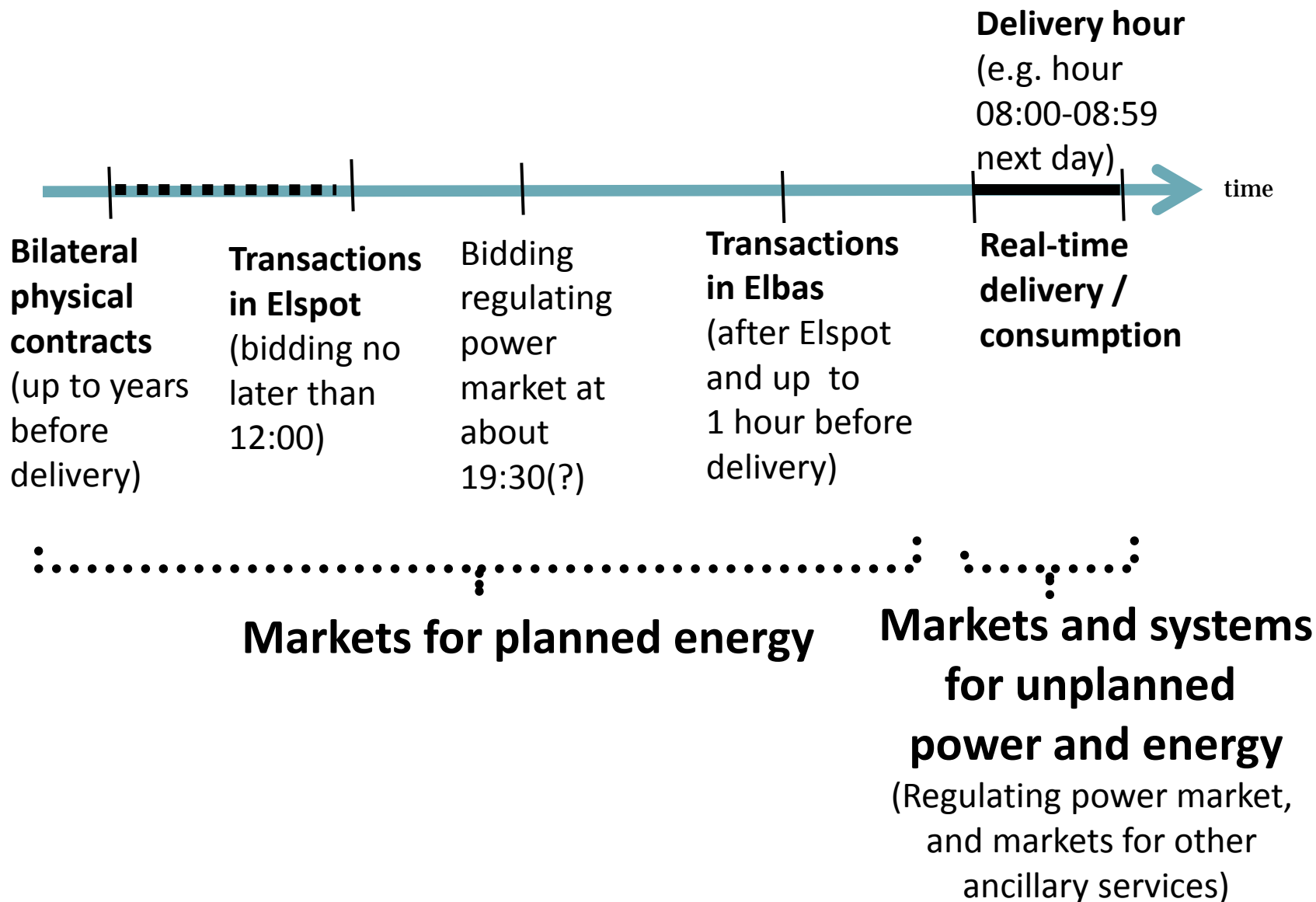


A transition from a situation of abundant balancing capacity, to a scenario of more scarcity due to higher demand for these services



Redesign of pricing mechanisms necessary to meet these challenges

## TIMELINE SHORT-TERM DELIVERY MARKETS



## CHANGING CONDITIONS

Does current market design give incentives

Short run

- to allocate **sufficient** capacity to balancing services?
- to allocate the **right** capacities to balancing versus planned production?
- to **mobilize flexibility** in consumption as well as in production?
- to **avoid imbalances**
- for **optimal cross-border trade**

Long run

- to optimal investment **levels** in production, demand appliances, network capacities
- to optimal **portfolios** of capacities

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## CHALLENGES FOR MARKET DESIGN

INTREPED has a goal of contributing to a Nordic power market design:

- that efficiently allocates and remunerates existing Norwegian power resources
- that contributes to integrate and increase the utilization of new renewables in Europe and Norway
- that give incentives for long-term investments in power generation, infrastructure and demand side measures that promote economic and environmental efficiency and security of supply

## **WORK PACKAGES INTREPED:**

### **WP1 WIND POWER FUNDAMENTALS: PREDICTABILITY AND VARIABILITY**

- Insight into wind power variation in time and space
- Implications for the need of balancing power
- Implications for market design

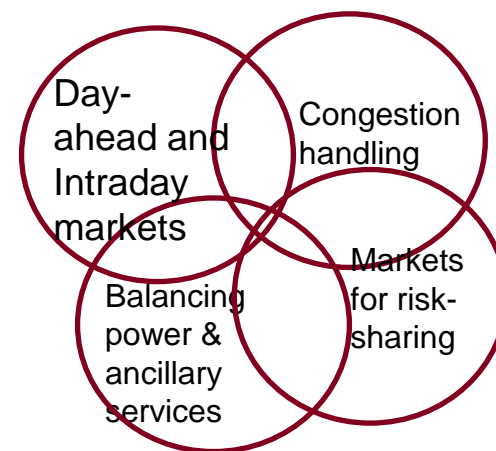
### **WP2 POWER SYSTEM FUNDAMENTALS: TIME EFFECTS, DYNAMICS, STOCHASTICS AND SECURITY OF SUPPLY**

- Modeling dynamic and stochastic aspects of the power system to study market design – e.g. timing of markets, dynamic mechanisms, etc.



## WP3 MARKET DESIGN AND BALANCING SERVICES: AUCTIONS

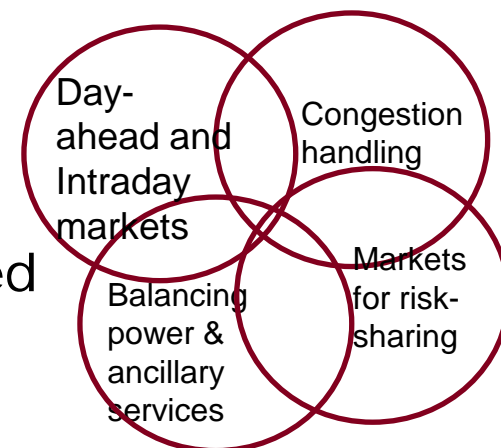
- How can the auctions for balancing power (e.g. regulating power) be designed to promote efficient **allocation** of capacity, efficient **investment signals**, and correct **remuneration** of the resources?



- Using the right capacities the right places
- Two-price structures?
- Observing the interaction of day-ahead markets, intra-day markets, congestion management and balancing markets

## WP4 MARKET DESIGN AND BALANCING SERVICES: SPATIAL CONSIDERATIONS

- Objective to analyze the **efficiency of alternative market mechanisms for congestion management and balancing services** in handling geographically dispersed intermittent power production.



- Analyze different congestion management methods under different hydro power and wind scenarios
- Analyze interaction of chosen methods for zonal and intra-zonal congestion handling

## WP5 MARKET DESIGN AND BALANCING SERVICES: INTERCONNECTORS TO NON-NORDIC MARKETS

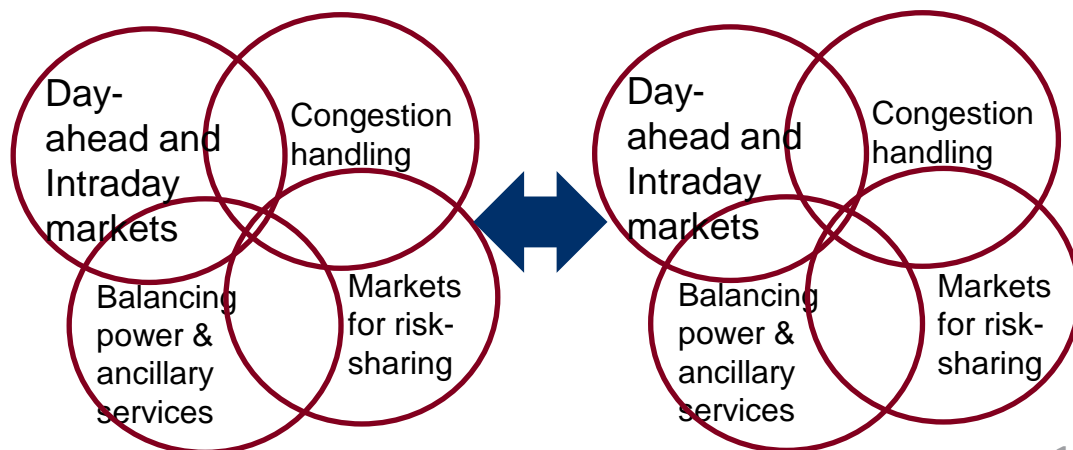
- How can efficient mechanisms/auctions for balancing services be implemented in the organization of a more integrated Nordic-European market?

CAPACITY ALLOCATION FOR POWER  
TRADE OVER INTERCONNECTORS:

- Day-ahead allocations: Implicit auctions in coupled day-ahead auctions

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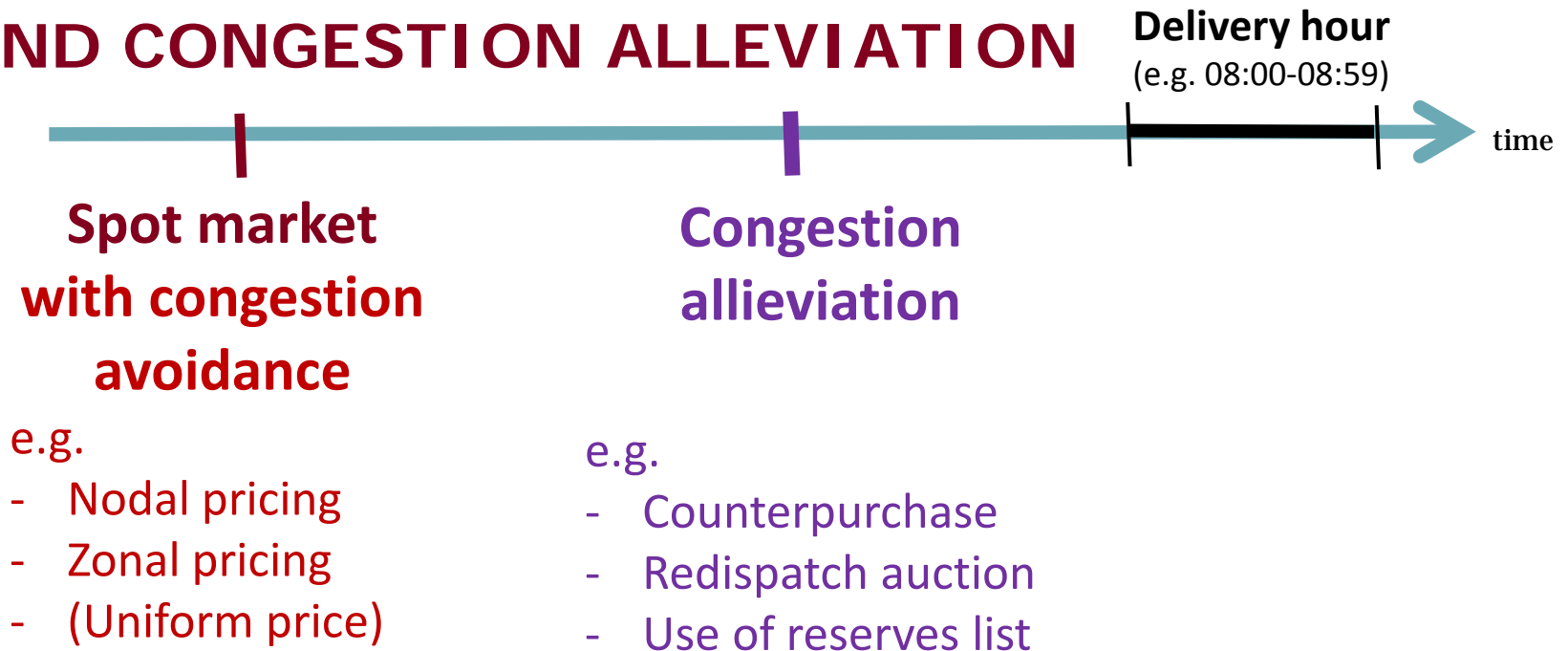
- Capacity allocation / integrated auctions for balancing services supplied via interconnectors?



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# CONGESTION AVOIDANCE AND CONGESTION ALLEVIATION



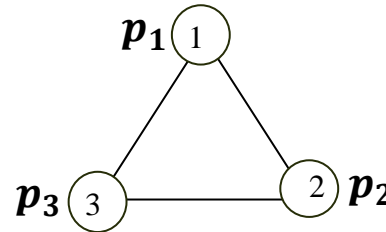
## Reasons for inadequate congestion handling:

- Congestion within areas
- Power flows according to physical laws,  
«Loop-flow» not included in market clearing

## SPOT MARKET: Congestion method

### Nodal pricing

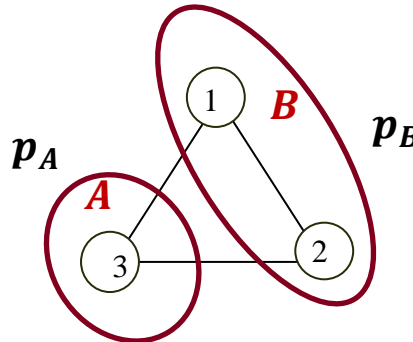
- Nodal differentiated prices
- Optimal and feasible flow



Re-dispatch not needed

### Zonal pricing

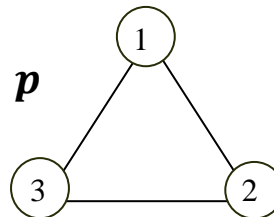
- Zonal differentiated prices
- Flow may not be feasible



Re-dispatch necessary to achieve a feasible flow due to 'internal' congestion

### Uniform pricing

- Uniform price
- Flow may not be feasible



## Research questions (1)

### **Efficiency of congestion management methods (CMM):**

- Implication of spot market CMM for re-dispatch needs
- Efficiency of re-dispatch methods (RDM)
- Overall efficiency of CMM and RDM

## Efficiency Issues of Dispatch and Redispatch

### Model:

- Spot market: nodal, uniform or zonal pricing
- Re-dispatch: locational merit order
- Network: ‘DC’ approximation

### Some preliminary results:

- Dispatch + Redispatch optimal only under strict assumptions
- **Spot + re-dispatch model inefficient**
  - if limited participation in re-dispatch
  - if extra costs of re-adjustment
- Side effect: Flexible and expensive capacity used for handling congestion known ‘long time’ in advance



## Research questions (2)

### Market power

What are the implications of simplified congestion management methods (e.g. uniform or zonal pricing) on the ability to exercise market power?

## Market power in Dispatch and Redispatch

- Often claimed: Non-segmented markets with uniform prices will restrict the ability to exercise market power
- We study market power in the nodal pricing market set-up, as well as in the combined set-up of a spot market and a re-dispatch market

### Some preliminary results:

- **When the strategic player operates in two markets (dispatch and redispatch) the consequences of market power can be even more severe and difficult to detect**

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