



Power Exchanges and Market Coupling – tools for mitigating energy costs favoring EU competitiveness

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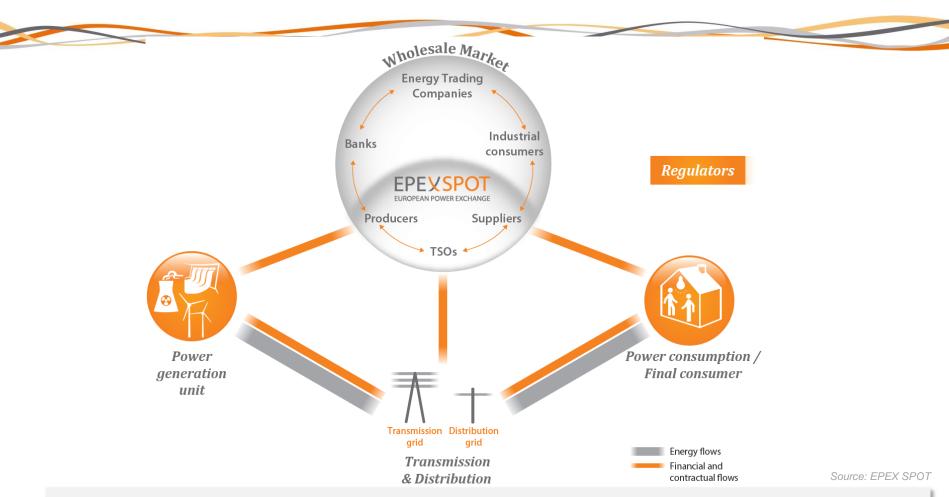


Liberalization of the European electricity market

- 1990 : Creation of the UK pool
 - 1992 : Creation of NordPool in Norway
 - 1996 : European Directive on energy market liberalization
 - 2000: Creation of two exchanges in Germany
 - 2001: Creation of Powernext in France
 - 2006: Launch of 1st market coupling in continental Europe
 - •2008/09: Creation of EPEX SPOT, merger of FR & DE exchanges
 - 2010 : EEG Law in Germany; launch of CWE market coupling
 - 2011: Internal Energy Market 2014; NOME Law in France
 - 2013 : European Network Codes
- The creation of EPEX SPOT and the development of power trading is one of the most visible results
 of the liberalization of the European Power Market.



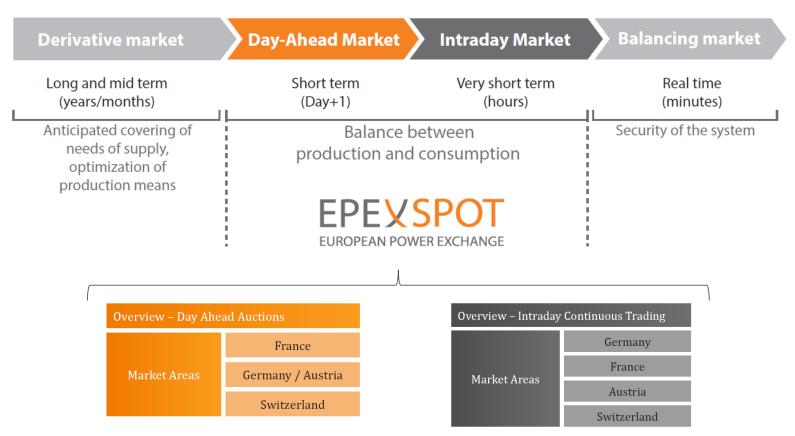
The organized market: Third pillar of the energy value chain



- The power exchange centralizes buy and sell orders of energy professionals (producers, retailers, brokers, banks, large industrials)
- The power exchange thus promotes the emergence of a transparent, regular, fair and neutral market price



The role of the Exchange in the timeline of the market



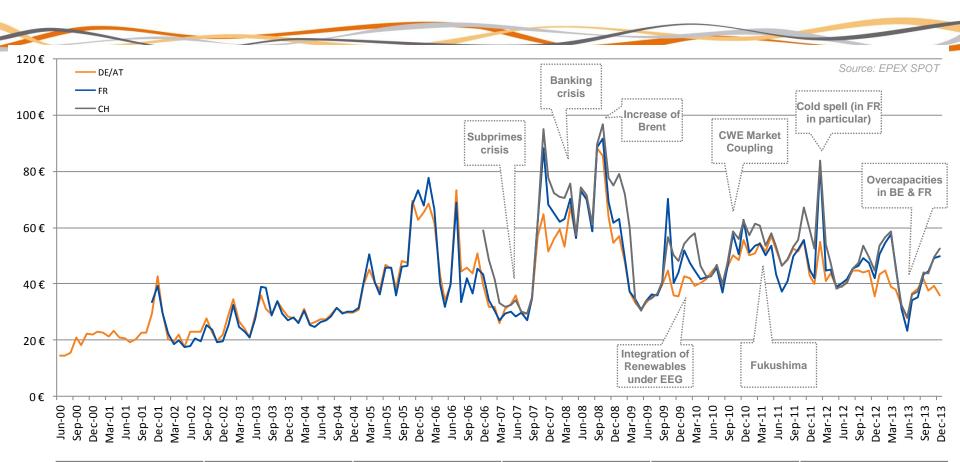
Source: EPEX SPOT

Day-Ahead and Intraday markets are complementary:

- Day-Ahead: blind auction, anonymous, without price indication → optimization of liquidity
- Intraday: continuous price formation, near real time → flexibility tool



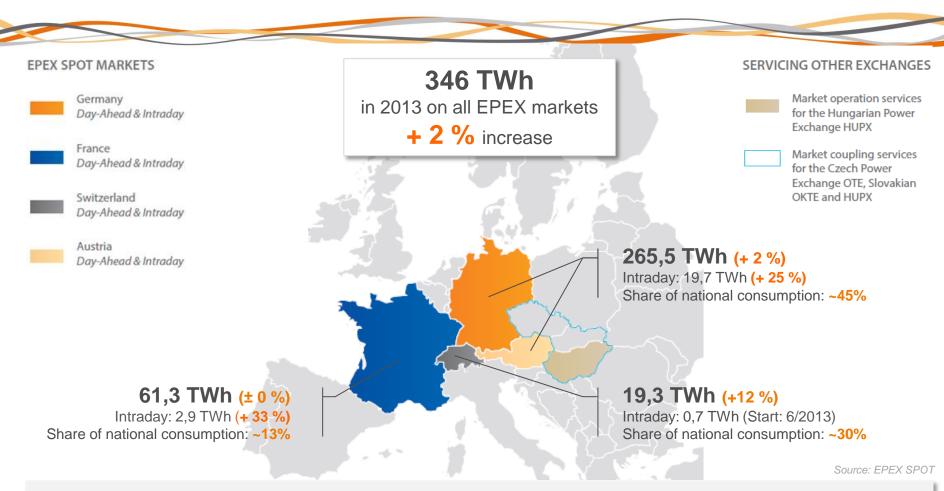
The Spot Market serves as EU price reference



Prix DA (en €/MWh)	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
DE/AT	38.85	44.49	51.12	42.60	37.78
FR	43.01	47.50	48.89	46.94	43.24
CH	47.92	51.02	56.18	49.52	44.73



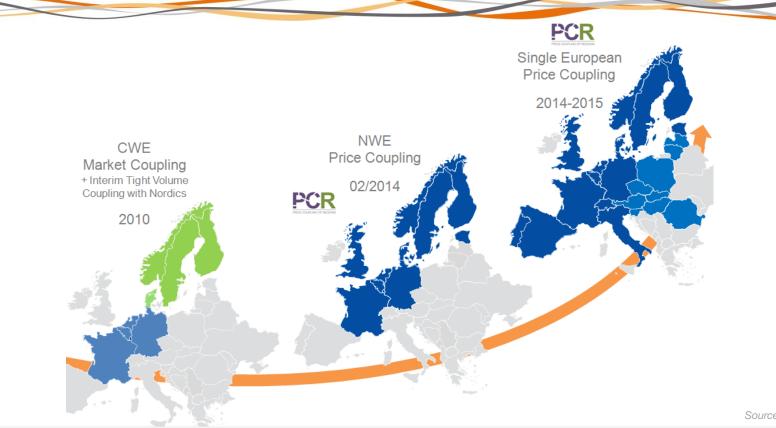
Markets, services & volumes



- EPEX SPOT's market areas cover 1.200 TWh of yearly power consumption, which represents 40% of EU's Integrated Electricity Market.
- EPEX SPOT has an inherent incentive to **integrate European power markets**. We support this process by our **harmonized cross-border trading systems**.



European Market Coupling: Integrating the EU electricity market by end of 2014



- Source: EPEX SPOT
- European Target Model for Day-Ahead markets: cross-border trade optimization based on implicit auctions of cross-border capacities
- Development of a single and harmonized method to calculate electricity prices on a European level ("Price Coupling of Regions")
- Regional model allows to adjust political objectives, cross-border cooperation unlocks macroeconomic benefits



European Market Coupling: Benefits

CWE: 11/2010

NWE: 02/2014

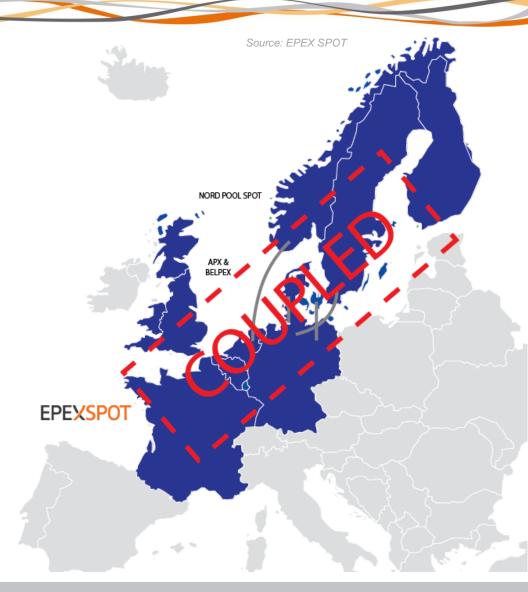
Optimal use of interconnectors facilitating congestion management

Price convergence of market areas in case of sufficient border capacity (~50% of hours in 2013 for Germany & France)

Absorbing extreme weather conditions (i.e. cold spell, storm front) across several market areas

Smoothing effect on negative or positive price spikes

Higher security of supply through market integration and no longer depending on the individual country





CWE Market Coupling: Price Convergence

Monthly Convergence Data for CWE area and FR-DE border





NWE Market Coupling Launch – First Results

first 17 days (2014-02-05 to 2014-02-21) for illustration

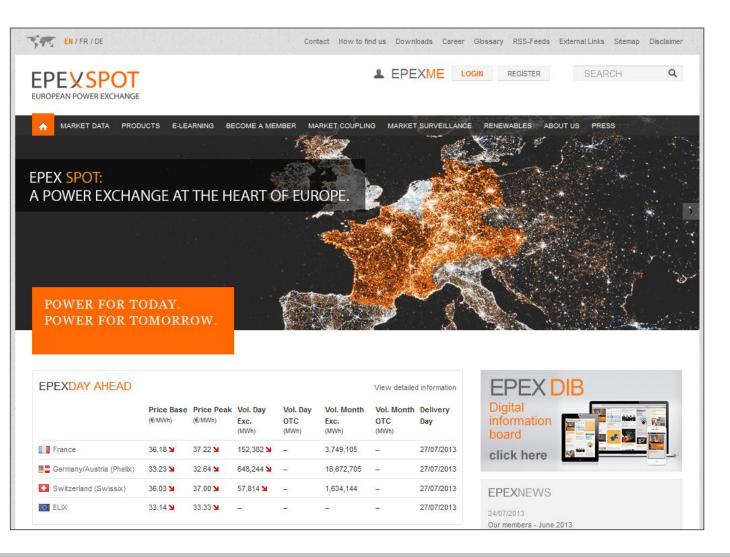
Area	Average MCP
Denmark	€ 28.64
	€ 30.58
Norway	
Sweden	€ 30.69
Germany	€32.53
Finland	€ 34.53
Estonia	€ 35.63
Belgium	€ 38.64
France	€ 38.64
Latvia	€ 43.91
Lithuania	€ 43.93
Netherlands	€ 44.30
Great Britain	€55.08

Note: arithmetic mean of MCPs for first 17 days of NWE Market Coupling; for Denmark, Norway and Sweden. First an aggregation on country level was performed (again arithmic mean of concerned area prices)

Source: EPEX calculation based on data from APX, Belpex, EPEX SPOT, N2EX and Nord Pool Spot



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