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Session III –
New Frontiers in Governance: Implementing Efficient Policies in Europe

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EPEX SPOT – The role of the organized market

- Power Exchanges aggregate supply and demand of power trading companies
- Calculation and publication of transparent and fair price references
Market Coupling – Moving towards the pan-European market

Nov 2010: **Interim Tight Volume Coupling** between **CWE** & Nordics
Feb 2014: **Full Price Coupling** between CWE, GB, Nordic & Baltic countries; creating **NWE**

Nov 2010: CWE Coupling
Q2/2015: Flow-based capacity calculation

May 2014: SWE joins NWE, creating the MRC

Feb 2015: Italian Borders IT-FR, IT-AT & IT-SI join MRC

Legend
- **CWE**: Central West Europe (Germany/Austria, France, Benelux)
- **NWE**: North West Europe (CWE, GB & Nordic-Baltic countries)
- **SWE**: South West Europe (Spain & Portugal)
- **MRC**: Today’s Multi-Regional Coupling encompassing 19 countries (**NWE, SWE, Italy & Slovenia**)
- **4M MC**: 4M Market Coupling encompassing Czech Republic, Slovakia, Hungary and Romania. Not yet connected to MRC.
- **Switzerland**: After CH-EU political agreement
- **Greece**: After technical readiness and further market reforms
Challenges for a realistic and stable EU energy policy

CHALLENGE 1:
European markets keep losing ground to national policies – are we going backwards?

CHALLENGE 2:
How can the European energy policy strengthen the market price signal?

CHALLENGE 3:
“Coopetition” – How to reconcile competition and cooperation in order to guarantee the integration of Europe’s electricity markets?
“Missing Blocks” of the European energy policy – Some considerations by EPEX SPOT

Market-based and truly European energy policy

Efficient cooperation between Member States, European Institutions and industry stakeholders

Swift completion of the single European market for electricity

Reliable regulatory oversight respecting the principles of cooperation and competition

Flexibility as cornerstone to ensure security of supply

Let electricity prices be determined by the European market, not by national regulation

Actively promote market transparency and integrity
Many thanks for your attention!

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