# Locational investment signals for electricity generation

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- Question 2: pro's and con's of instruments





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- <u>Connect (2018): Konzepte für Redispatch-Beschaffung</u>

#### Academic publications

- Hirth & Glismann (2018): Congestion Management: From Physics to Regulatory Instruments. Working paper, <u>http://hdl.handle.net/10419/189641</u>
- Hirth & Schlecht (2018): Market-Based Redispatch in Zonal Electricity Markets. Working paper, <u>http://dx.doi.org/10.2139/ssrn.3286798</u>



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#### Zonal electricity markets with cost-based redispatch: DE

- European wholesale electricity markets are organized in bidding zones
- Power price differentials may exist between zones, but not within
  - In other words, zonal pricing delivers a coarse geographic price signal (between zones), but lack a fine signal (within zones)
- Internal grid congestion is solved separately from the wholesale market through redispatch or other congestion management measures
- Redispatch in Germany
  - Participation obligatory
  - Compensation of costs and forgone profit
- Acute problems
  - Increased costs
  - Lack of upward (raise) capacity → no-exit regulation ("Network Reserve"), locational tenders ("Besondere Netztechnische Betriebsmittel")







#### Congestion management in Germany



Neon analysis. 2017: extrapolation from Q1/2017.

The volume of congestion management increased 5-fold since 2012.

Cost Mio. € p.a. 1500 Total EinsMan Redispatch 1200 Netzreserve 900 600 300 '11 '12 '13 '14 '15 '16 '09 '10 '17 

The costs for congestion management increased similarly.



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## A rich variety of locational incentives...



#### Locational prices

- The electricity market itself can provide locational investment signals
- Market splitting (small zones)
- Locational marginal pricing (nodal pricing)
- Market-based redispatch / locational markets for flexibility
- Examples: Nordic, Italy, US ISO systems





#### Grid connection charges

- One-off charge to be paid for grid connection
- Shallow connection charge = cost to connect to nearest substation
- Deep connection charge = include cost for "deeper" grid enforcement / extension
- Deep charges are a locational incentive
- Examples: many European countries

Country	Charge Type	Description			
Albania	Shallow/Deep	Charges are based on the actual costs. No differentiation of charges for L, G, and DSO. No locational differentiation.			
Austria	Shallow	In form of building-cost contribution for generation or tariff for load. Tariff for load: - Network Level 1 - 8.70 €/kW - Network Level 2 - 9.80 €/kW			
Belgium	Mainly Shallow	<ul> <li>Onshore: Everything is socialized, except all installations between the grid user and the substation and the connection bay at the substation.</li> <li>Offshore: idem. However, a support mechanism foresees in an additional subsidy for the cable connection up to 25 M€.</li> </ul>			
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Shallow	Charges are based on the actual costs. No differentiation of charges for L, G and DSO. No locational differentiation.			
Bulgaria	Shallow	The price for connection is paid by the user, for installations up to the point of connection. The price for reinforcement of the grid is paid by the operator. There is no any different treatment of users.			
Croatia	Deep	G – pays for the infrastructure connecting its installatio to the transmission grid and extensions in existing network L – pays according to formula NVN = cVN . P (capacity kW * 1 350.00 HRK=179.67 €/kW or actual costs if difference between formula and real costs is more/less than 20%			
Cyprus	Mainly Shallow	The connection cost includes all new infrastructure that will need to be built, up to the point of connection, e.g. a new substation and transmission line. No other costs are charged, e.g for upgrading existing equipment further into the transmission network.			
Czech Republic	Shallow	No locational differentiation.			

ETNSO-E (2018): Overview of Transmission Tariffs in Europe



#### Grid usage charge

- Charge to be paid for grid usage (per kW or kWh)
- Based in location, generators pay or receive a grid usage charge
- These charges, if anticipated, serve as an investment incentive (per kWh-charges also provide a dispatch incentive)
- Examples: Great Britain, Sweden





#### Location specific capacity payments

- Capacity payments / markets / mechanisms specific by location
- Example: PJM's capacity market





#### Location specific renewable energy support scheme

- Support schemes for deployment of renewables energy may be differentiated by location
- Bonus/penalty for certain regions
- Bonus/penalty for certain wind conditions
- Auctions for specific locations
- Examples: Germany's *Referenzertragsmodell*, India's predeveloped sites, Mexico's auctions with bonuses and penalties





#### Combining spot design with investment incentives







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#### Inc-dec gaming in a nutshell

#### Our redispatch market setup

- First (zonal) spot market, then (nodal) redispatch market (RDM)
- All markets are voluntary, subject to marginal pricing, competitive (no market power)
- Two nodes: oversupplied North and scarce South

#### Generators in the North

- Anticipate they will be paid for ramping down if they are available (i.e., producing)
- Bid below variable cost in spot to be eligible for this payment  $\rightarrow$  aggravate congestion

#### Generators in the South

- Anticipate they will be paid for ramping up if they are available (i.e., not producing)
- Bid above variable cost ("withhold capacity") → aggravate congestion

#### → Generators have an incentive for strategic bidding (not marginal cost)

#### Existing literature

#### We are not the first to note this

- Holmberg & Lazarczyk (2015), ...
- Our contribution: simple example, mechanisms clearly outlined, comprehensive discussion of consequences, related to policy debate

#### California

- Inc-dec gaming contributed to the energy crisis 2000/01, rolling blackouts
- Introduced nodal pricing in 2009
- Hogan (1999, 2001), Brunekreeft et al. (2005), CAISO (2005), Hobbs (2010)

#### **Great Britain**

- Inc-dec gaming at Scottish-English border
- "Transmission Constraint License Condition" introduced in 2012, similar to cost-based RD
- Ofgem (2012, 2018) Konstantinidis & Strbac (2015)



#### Physical setup of the example



#### System-wide merit order (variable costs)



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#### Spot market (regulatory RD)

Price	$P_{Spot} = 50 \notin /MWh$		
Market power	No suppliers is pivotal		
(Desired)	20 GW wind N + 20 GW coal N		
dispatch	10 GW nat gas S		
Line flow	40GW → infeasible		





#### Redispatch





## RDM w/o Anticipation



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#### Redispatch markets (no anticipation)





## **RDM** with Anticipation



#### Spot market (with anticipation)





#### Spot market (with anticipation)

Price	$P_{Spot} = 60 \in /MWh$		
Market power	No supplier is pivotal		
(Desired) Dispatch	20 GW wind N, 20 GW coal N, 5 GW diesel N 5 GW nat gas S		
Line flow	45 GW $\rightarrow$ Anticipation of RDM has lead to <i>increase</i> in line overflow		





#### Redispatch markets (with anticipation)





## What do we learn?



#### Requirements for inc-dec gaming

#### Engaging in inc-dec gaming does not require any market power

- In none of the markets any supplier was pivotal
- Ultimately, everyone bids variable cost
- Attracting more actors will not stop anyone from strategic bidding ("competition is not a solution to inc-dec gaming")

#### Some foresight required

- We assumed perfect foresight for simplicity
- Some anticipation of constraints is necessary, but it does not need to be perfect

#### This is a Nash equilibrium

• Ex post, no actor has an incentive to change their bidding strategy

#### Results

#### Congestion is aggravated

• Redispatch volumes increase (compared to regulator redispatch or no-anticipation)

#### Market participants earn windfall profits

• Generators' profits incase (compared to regulatory redispatch or no-anticipation)

	1. Nodal pricing	2. Regulatory redispatch	4. RDM <u>with</u> anticipation
Redispatch volume (GW)	0	10	15
Amount paid by loads for energy (€)	3 000 000	2 500 000	3 000 000
Redispatch cost (€)	-900 000 (CR)	200 000	450 000
Total cost to consumer (€)	2 100 000	2 700 000	3 450 000
Generation cost (€)	1 285 000	1 285 000	1 285 000
Generators' profits (€)	815 000	1 415 000	2 165 000

#### Implications and generalizations

#### Financial markets "lose underlying"

- Zonal market becomes meaningless in times of congestion
- Then, not the marginal cost but nodal prices determine the zonal price
- Hedging is no longer possible using financial products that have the spot price as an underlying

#### Demand can also participate

- Things are getting worse
- Pure financial arbitrage might also be possible

#### Perverse investment incentives

• "Ghost" plants which are build to never produce

Pay-as-bid pricing does not change the gaming incentives


# Conclusions: inc-dec gaming

Installing a nodal (redispatch) market within a zonal market yields an inconsistent market design

• Incentives for strategic bidding

#### Inc-dec gaming is the result

- Higher redispatch volume
- Windfall profits
- Problematic consequences for financial markets and investment incentives

#### All this happens without a single actor possessing market power

• If you add market power, things become worse

#### → This does not seem like a good way forward. But what are the alternatives?



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# Combining spot design with investment incentives





Research question 1

# Which locational investments incentives do countries use?









Instrument carry (quite) different names

Locational signals Sometimes







# Quantifying instruments: e.g., Great Britain's TNUoS

- We are not interested in overall level of payments, but in quantifying the *strength of the locational signal*
- The maximal cost difference between locations is taken as proxy for the strength of each instrument

Highest difference = most expensive location – cheapest location

**Example:** Great Britain's transmission tariffs (TNUoS)

The two most extreme TNUoS for renewable generation in 2018/19:

Glenglass in North Scottland:	30 £/kW	
Central London:	-8 £/kW	
Max. difference in TNUoS:	38 £/kW	



(≈43 €/kW)

# Magnitude of incentives: Max – Min

Difference between locational signals (2018, original units)

Locational signals Sometimes No signals



?: No data available

\*: Investment signal highly depends on individual case



# Converting units into EUR per MWh

• For better comparability, we convert all units into EUR per MWh

#### Problems and assumptions

- To convert €/kWa into €/MWh, we need to assume full load hours we use two cases
  - Wind power: 3000 FLH
  - Combined cycle gas turbine: 5000 FLH
- To convert €/kW (one-off) into €/MWh, we need to assume discount rate and life time
  - 5% WACC
  - 25 years
- Some instruments apply only to certain technology



# Unit conversion: Great Britain's TNUoS

#### Converting units into EUR per MWh

- FLH matter (of course)
- Differ by technology (e.g., larger for RE than for conventionals)
- ightarrow We look at four exemplary cases

		EUR per kW p.a.	EUR per MWh
Peaker	OCGT @ 500 FLH	16	32
Mid-load	CCGT @ 5000 FLH	34	7
Base	Nuclear @ 8000 FLH	53	7
Renewable	wind power @ 3000 FLH	43	14

1 GBP = 1.13 EUR



# Magnitude of incentives: conventional (CCGT@5000 FLH)

#### €/MWh



?: No data available

\*: Investment signal highly depends on individual case



# Magnitude of incentives: RE (wind power@3000 FLH)

#### €/MWh



?: No data available

\*: Investment signal highly depends on individual case



# Summary: Findings

- We found a rich variety of locational incentives
  - Grid charge (connection, usage)
  - Capacity payments
  - RE support schemes
  - Locational electricity markets (small zones, nodal pricing)
- <u>All</u> systems studied use some locational signal
  - All zonal markets use instruments to steer investment geographically
  - Most nodal markets have something on top of LMP
- Many jurisdictions use multiple instruments
- Some instruments might not be intended as a locational signal (but serve as one nevertheless)
- Magnitude of the locational signal
  - Extremely heterogenous, sometimes applies to individual plants only
  - Renewables tend to be affected stronger (if expressed per MWh)



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Research question 2

# What are the pro's and con's of different instruments?



# Deep grid connection charges: implementation

#### Deep grid connection charge

- Generators pay for grid enhancement necessary to connect plant
- Reflecting costs of connection
- Fee can be zero or positive (at least we are not aware of "connection payments" to generators)

#### PJM

• Simple deep grid connection charge

#### France

- Network development costs due to RES integration are mutualized on a regional basis (Quote-parts)
- Grid extension occurs before installation of RE plants

#### Mexico

- Deep grid connection charge unless grid extension is beneficial for the entire system
- Generators receive FTRs or revenues from sales of FTRs

#### Sweden

• Plans to reduce charge for offshore wind to a level comparable to onshore wind

#### CAISO

• Grid enhancement costs are paid by generator but compensated after five years



# Deep grid connection charges: features and issues

#### €/kW payment

- Stronger locational impact on peakers, less on base load
- No dispatch incentive

#### One-off upfront payment

- High financial requirement for investors, increase risk and costs of capital
- Extremely credible as incentive

#### Distorted incentives across borders

• If implemented only in one country: disadvantage of domestic generation vs. imports (given that charges have always been negative)

#### Grid investment tends to be lumpy

Possible problem: wait-and-see



# Locational grid usage charge: implementation

#### Locational grid usage charge

- Generators pay a grid fee, which differs by location
- Often meant to reflect (marginal) losses and/or grid expansion costs
- Fees can be negative (payments)

#### UK (TNUoS)

- Capacity charge: to collect total allowed revenues of TSOs (together with demand charges)
- Complex: differentiated by plant type, full load hours, peak / non-peak
- Generation zones derived from nodal pricing model

#### Sweden

- Capacity charge: to reflect investment cost
- Energy charge: to reflect losses

#### Australia (MLF)

- Premium / penalty
- Multiplier with the zonal price
- Reflects losses

#### India

- Cost allocation per line pro-rata to all users
- No reward for the reduction of flows



# Locational grid usage charge: features and issues



#### lf €/MWh

- Time invariant dispatch incentive is sometimes (much) too weak and often too strong
- Strong driver for base load, but weak for peakers
- Impact on storage is non-obvious and possibly perverse, because: cost of charging (hence losses) is affected, little effect on temporal price structure

#### lf €/kW

- No dispatch incentive at all
- Strong locational driver for peakers, but weak for base load

#### Determining the level of charges (e.g., through modeling)

- Driven by future assumptions (nodal prices 1...5 years into the future)
- Prone to rent-seeking and lobbying

#### Trade-offs in design

- Capacity vs. energy charge (stronger effect on peaking vs. base load plants)
- Frequent vs. infrequent updating (accuracy vs. credibility as investment signal)

# Locational capacity payments: implementation

#### Locational capacity payments

- Generators are compensated for providing capacity at specific location
- Meant to reflect uncompensated fixed costs
- Often specification of existing capacity scheme

#### Chile

- Nodal capacity prices
- Reflecting availability at 52 hours of highest demand

#### PJM

- Capacity requirements for LSE
- Market for available generation capacity established

#### CAISO

- Capacity requirements for LSE
- LSE have to submit resource availability plans

#### France

 Single plant tendered in grid constrained region (Brittany)



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# Locational capacity payments: features and issues

#### Consistency with spot market for energy?

- Can be easily implemented in markets with existing (zonal) capacity mechanisms
- Problematic for energy-only markets: undermines investment signals from scarcity pricing

#### Specification of "capacity" is non-trivial

- Technology-neutrality hard to archive, especially in case of storage, variable renewables and interconnectors
- Bias towards peakers (similar to €/kW grid fee)



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# Locational RE support: implementation

#### Locational renewable support

- Renewable support is differentiated by location
- Meant to reflect integration costs and system benefits
- Often reduces revenues in high yield sites

#### France

- Quantity targets for regions (SRADDED Program)
- Individual regional approach

#### Mexico

- RE auction design with locational bonus/penalty, based on nodal pricing computer model
- Adapting bids in winner selection process

#### Germany

- Support for wind depends on yield (happens to relief grid constraints)
- Quantity cap in region with grid constraints



# RE support: features and issues

#### Addresses only renewable energy (obviously)

- Not conventional generation, batteries, loads
- Does not address market-driven renewables outside support schemes, either

#### Usually a €/MWh payment

- Because of nature of support schemes
- Same problems as energy based grid usage charge

#### Long-term and credible

• Usually fixed for around 20 years (the duration of support schemes)



# General insights across instruments

#### Seemingly different instruments can be quite similar in terms of incentives

- Deep connection fee
- €/kW grid usage fee
- Capacity payment

#### Some instruments set also a locational dispatch incentive, while others do not

- No dispatch signal: deep connection fee, €/kW grid usage fee, capacity payment
- Dispatch signal: €/MWh grid usage fee, RE support scheme

#### Payments (or quantities) are set administratively

- Prone to lobbying
- Subject to political influence



# General insights across instruments

#### Payments are determined ex ante

• E.g. model-based scenarios

#### Trade-off: Adjusting payments more or less frequently

- More frequently (such as every year): more accurate, less credible investment signal
- Less frequently (such as once in a lifetime): less accurate, more credible signal

#### Payments are either specified in €/MWh or €/kW

- €/MWh: stronger signal on base load plants
- €/kW: stronger signal on peakers



# General insights across instruments

#### Payments are usually time-invariant (from hour to hour)

- Only exception (sort of): GB
- Signal is almost always either too weak or too strong
- For high temporal granularity nodal pricing seems the only sensible option



## Towards a recommendation

#### To be discussed!

#### Grid usage €/kW charge, long duration (10 years?)

- Base load: little effect on investments  $\rightarrow$  those investment won't happen anyway
- Peak load: strong effect on investment ightarrow lack of dispatch signal does not hurt much
- Batteries (counted as generation): strong investment effect, but no dispatch effect possibly making things worse
- RE: Strong investment effect



### Next steps

- Report to be drafted during spring 2019
- START synthesis report summer 2019



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Germany

# RE support "Referenzertragsmodell"

- German wind generators receive a higher level of support if they are located at a low-wind site
- capturing rents by reducing the support for higly profitable projects;
- 2. distributing wind farms more evenly across the country, also to relax grid constraints
- Indirect instrument: does not target system optimal location



#### Comparing wind sites



# Transmission Network Use of Service I/II

- TNUoS\* have two purposes
  - 1. Recover grid costs
  - 2. Reflect transmission costs
- GB is divided into 27 "generation zones"
- Methodology: model nodal prices, group nodes with average price difference <1 £/MWh
- Average annual generation tariff must remain below €2.5/MWh (EU regulation)
- GB is also divided into 14 demand zones (corresponding to DSOs)



\*Transmission Network Use of Service

# Transmission charges: GB's TNUoS II/II

• Tariff is technology specific and depends on 5 elements



• Locational differentiation affects technologies to a different degree

Energy	in € / N	∕IWh	Capacity	in € /	kW	
FLH	Conv.	RE	FLH	Conv.	RE	
500	32		500	16		ф С
3000	9	14	3000	26	43	P = 1.1
8000	7		8000	53		1GB



#### Grid connection charge

# Grid connection charge: quote-parts

#### **General observation**

Grid investment tends to be lumpy

# Waiting for first-mover impedes investments

- France's Solution: S3REnR scheme
- 1. plan network expansion
- 2. share the costs
- 3. prioritize RES

#### Implementation

- Upfront costs for regional grid enhancement are shared (quote-parts)
- Indirect instrument: Highest tariffs correspond to areas where regional grid enhancement is expensive – could still be beneficial from a macro-perspective
- Tariffs vary strongly between regions
  - 0k€/MW 70k€/MW





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#### Capacity payments in Brittany

- Exceptional tender of CC Gas plant in predefined region (Landivisiau in Brittany) due to:
  - Limited generation capacity in the region
  - Increasing demand and high thermo-sensitivity
  - Limited transmission capacities
- Yearly support of 94.000 EUR/MW for 20 years
- Plant operators ensure electricity generation when required by TSO
- Forbidden to enter long term contracts with suppliers possessing more than 40% of France's capacity (read: EDF)
- EU state aid rules: measure is both proportionate and necessary





France

#### SRADDED – Regional renewable support

- SRADDET Programme gives regions powerful tools:
  - tagging land as adequate for wind farms development
  - imposing obligations on new buildings (e.g. RES procurement, energy efficiency...)
- Support schemes are organized decentrally, hence strong variation between regions exists



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Sweder

# The two elements of Sweden's grid usage charge

#### Capacity payment for infrastructure

- Cover costs of operation and maintanance
- The capacity charge is highest in the north, falling linearly towards the south. The reverse applies for consumption.

#### Energy payment for losses

- = Loss coefficient · 0.8 · Loss power price
- Loss coefficient: Marginal network losses resulting from additional generation at connection point (positive or negative)
- Correcting coefficient (0.8) adapts loss coefficient to actual losses
- The loss power price is the price the TSO pays to compensate losses. Currently, it is set annually, but will vary with the actual spot price from 2020 onwards

#### Both charges are...

- Calculated at nodal level (Point of connection charge)
- Determined ex-ante on a yearly basis
- Paid by generators and consumers





#### Market splitting in Sweden

- The Nordic power market is, since November 2011, split into twelve bidding zones.
- Average spot market prices varied between 441 SEK/MWh in SE1 and 467 SEK/MWh in SE4
- This difference results in an average 2.1€/MWh locational value gap.





Sweden

# Deep grid connection fee Sweden

- Svenska kraftnät charges a deep connection fee
- Is meant to recover future and past grid investment
- An estimate whether connection fee will be applied is first determined in the connection agreement



Grid connection charge

## Deep grid connection charge U.S.

- April 1st-15th is the only cluster application window each year. A Study Group is a group of electrically related projects usually located in a certain geographic area. Network upgrade costs are shared; interconnection charges are project specific.
- For each proposed generation power project, the ISO studies in two report (Phase I and Phase II) project impacts to the transmission systems



Note: Unit cost of transmission in nominal dollars from various years Figure ES-2. Unit Cost of Transmission for Wind in \$/kW-wind Terms



### Deep grid connection charge PJM

- Each respective generator or transmission project bears the cost required for interconnection.
- For local and network upgrades which are required due to new generation facilities, cost will be allocated according to the order of the New Service Requests and the MW contribution of each individual request for all projects that cause or contribute to the need for the local or network upgrades.



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PSE&G

\$20

EMAAC

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#### Capacity payments

- The ISO defines capacity requirements which have to be met by Load Serving Entities (LSE) in predetermined sub-regions (i.e., Locational Deliverability Areas).
- Capacity can either be bought bilaterally or from the capacity market.
- Contracted Generators commit to provide energy during PJM emergency under the capped energy price. Capacity revenues are paid independent on whether energy is produced or not.
- Capacity auctions are held three years ahead of delivery. If the forecast for demand changes, additional auctions may be held later. Contracts are made for an entire "delivery year".



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CAISO

## Capacity payment CAISO

- Quantity based instrument
- The ISO performs annual studies to identify the minimum local resource capacity required to meet the reliability criteria.
- Based on the study results, load serving entities receive a proportional allocation of the minimum required local resource capacity, and submit resource adequacy plans to show that they have procured the necessary capacity.



# ERCOT

# Nodal pricing ERCOT

- ERCOT implemented a nodal market structure in late 2010 with a 'congestion only' Locational Marginal Pricing (LMP) structure.
- ERCOT conciders including marginal losses in its LMP.
- An ICF study on the effects of marginal loss pricing in 2020 found there may be no significant shift in the dispatch of renewable generation. Yet, reduced pricing in ERCOT West may affect the economic viability of renewables.
- All other nodal markets use an LMP market structure that accounts for both congestion and marginal losses. With the focus on reducing congestion in the market, ERCOT introduced a 'congestion only' LMP structure. This means difference in power prices at different pricing points in the system differed only by their impact on transmission congestion and not due to transmission losses. The inclusion of marginal losses may affect cost-benefit assessments of recently approved or future transmission projects.



## Location specific renewable auctions

Mexico

- Technology neutral auctions for RE development
- Adjustment factors in RES long-term auctions (15 year contract for energy and capacity, 20 years for clean energy certificates)
- Bids are modified in two ways:
  - (i) location bonus / penalty based on projections of future nodal prices
  - (ii) limits for generation is set for zones with insufficient transmission capacities
- Optimization model maximizes the economic surplus of the buyer
- Locational boni / penalties are published before the auction

#### Range of locational price adjustment (in USD / MWh)



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Mexico

## Deep grid connection charge Mexico

- Deep grid connection charge if generation is not necessary (= not part of the national grid expansion plan)
- If generator pays for the construction of a new line, it receives FTR or corresponding revenues



# Mexico

- Nodal pricing Mexico
- Wholesale market is implemented as nodal pricing market comprising of 2417 nodes
- The country is divided into three zones which are not interconnect among each other. The largest share of nodes (2284) is on the mainland power system
- Average nodal prices in the central system vary between 48 and 62 USD/MWh. Converted maximum value difference is approx. 13 €/MWh.



Chile

### Precio Básico de la Potencia de Punta

- Capacity payments reflect the costs of the cheapest technology to supply electricity at a specific location.
- Each generator's firm capacity is estimated using historical availability to generate during the 52h of highest demand.
- Generators are awarded for firm capacity on a monthly basis. Prices are adapted every six months.
- In 2018, prices for capacity ranged from 4224 CLP/kW/month in Rahue to 5544 CLP/kW/month in Parinacota
- That translates into a maximal value difference of 21 €/kW/year.



#### Locational electricity market

Chile

# Nodal pricing Chile

- Chile's national electric system (SEN) consists of 50 220kV substations which have individual energy and capacity prices
- Average energy prices range from 33.6 to 28.0 CLP / kWh, implying a location specific difference of 7.3 €/MWh (data for second semester 2018)



Chile

#### Grid usage charge Chile

- Before 2016, grid usage charges depended on the distance between generator and consumers. Generators used to pay up to 80% of these costs.
- Owners of a power plant that wanted to provide electricity to customers outside the Area of Common Influence of this plant had to pay tolls.
- An Area of Common Influence is defined as the minimal set of assets that connect the power plant with the nearest basic energy substation
- Under the 2016 law, tolls are entirely shifted to consumers. This regulatory change shall enable renewable energy projects at remote but resource rich sites.



#### Marginal participation in India

- Grid usage costs are allocated to users based on their utilization of each line.
- To do so, the marginal participation is calculated for each line:
  - change in electricity flows when production or consumption are marginally increased.
- Only positive participation in the direction of the power flow is considered
  - increments which reduce burden on lines are neither given any credit nor charged for use of the system
- The cost of each line is allocated pro-rata to all agents according to their participation in the corresponding line



Grid usage charge

## Marginal loss factors (MLF)

- MLF are locational marker for premium / penalty of prices that generators get on the wholesale market (same is applied to consumers using different factors)
- Estimation of marginal network losses resulting from power flow from connection point to reference node.
  - MLF < 1: generation increases system losses
  - MLF > 1: generation reduces system losses
- Local value of electricity
  regional reference price · MLF of location
- MLF are determined ex-ante for one year using a load flow model.





## Locational electricity market Australia

- Australia's electricity market is organized in 5 zones
- Annual average prices differ strongly between zones (2017-18 data):
  - South Australia: 109 AU\$/MWh
  - Queensland: 75 AU\$/MWh
  - Victoria: 99 AU\$/MWh
- Prices within zones are adjusted by marginal loss factors



