

BSP readiness of mFRR EAM - survey results

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Conclusions

- The results of the surveys support the perception and feedback that market participants expect more detailed information from TSOs to be able to adapt their systems to the new mFRR EAM
- Many BSPs have not read the implementation guide yet or analyzed impacts on business processes or IT systems
- The survey confirms that market participants are highly dependent on external service providers (IT and business consultants) and TSOs need to consider that in their communication
- Market participants won't make big investments before regulatory approvals.
- There are risks that TSOs won't have the same amount of volume as today in the mFRR EAM when going live. Implementation of electronic ordering, service providers' lack of resources, late start of implementation etc. increase the risk that some BSPs will not be ready.
- More focus on stakeholder communication and support are expected and needed in all four countries

Norway

- 41 of 70 replied to the survey. A few of these are third parties. However, this includes most of the volume in the current mFRR market.
- **Main findings:**
 - Not clear to what extent the BSPs are aware of the scope of the forthcoming changes
 - Most BSPs that answers the survey have initiated IT development projects
 - More information from Statnett needed
- **What's next:**
 - Direct dialogue with system vendors of BSPs
 - Specific activities directed at industry and wind power production
 - 1:1 meetings with key BSPs
 - Media activity
 - Regular stakeholder meetings in relation to consultations, releases of implementation guide etc.

Sweden

- Survey was sent to BSP's delivering mFRR today (in total six companies, all replayed)
- **Main findings**
 - 2 out of 6 BSPs are preparing for the changes
 - Important to clarify the requirements for delivery of mFRR. For example, ramping restrictions and how to deliver on several markets.
 - Clarify requirements during the transition phase.
- **What's next?**
 - The local project will have bilateral meetings with stakeholders end of August / beginning of September
 - Nordic workshops.

Finland

- 21 of 33 replied to the survey including two service providers. Rest of the stakeholders were contacted by phone (8 of 12 were interviewed).
- **Main findings:**
 - The future changes are relatively well known especially among service providers
 - Preparations to future changes will mainly be started during fall 2021
 - Most of stakeholders use service providers/third parties to implement the changes and actual operation
 - Most of the stakeholders can provide 15-minute balancing services by end of the 2022
- **What's next:**
 - National plan how to proceed with the BSP support and communication
 - Bilateral meetings with BSPs during the autumn
 - Focus on dialog and testing with service providers

Denmark

- 13 replies to the survey - a mix of BSPs and BRPs.
- **Main findings:**
 - Only 2 out of 13 stakeholders have started planning the implementation of changes to be made.
 - Only 50% of the respondents expect to be ready by Q2 2022.
 - Stakeholder input: it is difficult to plan when to implement changes.
 - Some plan to implement changes after a regulatory approval has been made.
- **What's next:**
 - More meetings, especially Q/A sessions organized by Energinet.