## Regulatory challenges and market developments

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## RES growth and thermal power plants decommissioning



RES penetration in the electricity sector (PNEC)

Phase out of thermoelectric capacity (GW)




Duration curve: Dispatching capacity of thermoelectric plants, historical and forecast data* (GW)


System trends
Progressive decommissioning of thermoelectric capacity

Non-programmable RES increase (still insufficient in terms of adequacy)

Change in residual demand curve

Expected phase-out of coal power plants by 2025

Absence of long-term signals to allow the renewal of the generation fleet

Main impacts
Reduction of control power and reserve margins / adequacy risks (Critical situations July '15, January '17, August '17)

Increased congestions due to lack of homogeneity of RES at the geographical level (overgeneration)

Increased steepness of the loading ramp due to nonprogrammable production volatility
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Reduced system inertia
Increased needs of resources for control services (f, V and Pcc)
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## Key actions

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Long term price signals
(Capacity market)

Innovative market framework to promote investments in storage systems
Increased steepness of the loading ramp due to nonprogrammable production volatility

| Reduced system inertia |
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Introduction of fast response ancillary services (e.g. Fast Reserve)



## Market framework

- Need of long-term contracts (e.g. 20 years) for storage with remuneration on capacity [ $€ / \mathrm{MW}$-year]
- Two possible remuneration models under study: semi-regulated/fully-regulated
- Offer obligations in the ancillary services market (MSD-MB) and minimum energy requirements
- Pilot project for at least 1 GW of new storage capacity by 2025


Terna deems necessary 6 GW of new storage capacity in Italy centre, south and in the islands (higher RES penetration and lower storage capacity) to reduce overgeneration and ensure system security

## Key actions: new fast-response services



Need of a fast response service to improve system dynamics in the transient phase

- Target: introduce a new fast frequency regulation service (activation time < 1s)
- Resources: production, storage, consumption units complying with technical requirements, also in aggregated form with size: 5-25 MW
- Procurement: long-term contracts (3-4 year). multi-round pay-as-bid auction [ $\epsilon / \mathrm{MW} / \mathrm{year}]$. Delivery from 2022
- Requested availability: $\mathbf{1 0 0 0} \mathbf{h} /$ year. The specific hours will be indicated by Terna closer to real time (D-2).

Activation curve: Fast reserve vs primary reserve


| Feature | Technical requirement |
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| Activation time | <1 s |
| Duration | 30 s (linear deramping 20\%/min until full deactivation after 5 minutes) |
| Activation mode | - Local: bidirectional and proportional to frequency error (over and under-frequency conditions) when $\|\Delta f\|>$ deadband <br> - Remote control- UPDM (based on the defense plan) |
| Monitoring system | PMU interfaced with Terna control system |

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## Key actions: Capacity Market

First auctions with D.Y. 2022-2023

- The first auctions of the Italian capacity market took place in November 2019 for delivery in 2022 and 2023
- 5.8 GW of new capacity have been procured overall
- Fundamental step for reaching coal phase-out targets
- Strong price signals coherent with expected capacity shortage



## Capacity market: next steps

- The capacity market is a structural element of a market design fit for the energy transition to ensure capacity adequacy also in presence of high RES penetration
- Next step: undertake actions to ensure full compliance with the Clean Energy Package (CEP), such as:
- Introduce $\mathbf{C O}_{2}$ emission limits ( $\checkmark$ )
- Provide an implementation plan to the DG Energy for alternative market measures* to solve adequacy issues
- Use common methodologies to define CONE, VOLL, reliability standards
- European Resource Adequacy Assesment (ERAA) to justify the need of capacity mechanisms
- Sign agreements with neighbouring TSOs to enable direct cross-border participation to capacity mechanism
*Market reforms including, e.g., scarcity prices, price cap removal, remove regulatory barriers to self-consumption, storage and DSR, increase of interconnection capacity


[^0]:    Service not in substitution of primary frequency regulation (FCR) but in coordination with that to help frequency dynamic stability

