

# Perspectives for further development of regulation policy of the EU and its member states

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# New situation – 3<sup>rd</sup> package

- Crucial points
  - Cooperation of regulators – ACER
  - Coordinated cooperation of TSOs in gas and electricity (ENTSO-G, ENTSO-E)
  - More independent and powerful national regulators

# 3<sup>rd</sup> package expectations

3rd Package will enable faster progress:

- ‘top-down’ Framework Guidelines and binding network codes can ensure harmonized rules
- National regulatory authorities will have wider European duties – not just national ones
- 10 year network development plans will encourage more joined-up networks

Regional differences are allowed for – but only ‘where appropriate’

# Role of ACER

- ACER shall cooperate with NRAs and TSOs to ensure the compatibility of regulatory frameworks between the regions with the aim of creating a competitive internal market
- where ACER considers that binding rules on such cooperation are required, it shall make appropriate recommendations

# NRA's new cross border EU mandate

- promote a competitive, secure and environmentally sustainable internal electricity and gas market within the Community in close cooperation with the Agency, the regulatory authorities of other Member States and the Commission
- duty to ensure compliance of TSOs and electricity and gas undertakings with Directives and other relevant Community legislation, incl. cross border issues

# Independence of NRAs

- NRA can take autonomous decisions independently from any political body
  - decisions of the NRA are immediately binding and directly applicable
- NRA has separate budget allocation with autonomy in the implementation of the allocated budget
  - approval of the budget by the national legislator cannot be used to influence the NRA's priorities
- NRA must have adequate human and financial resources to carry out its duties

## NRA's important powers

- can take binding decisions on electricity and gas undertakings
- carry out investigations and decide upon and impose any necessary and proportionate measures to promote effective competition and ensure proper functioning of the market
- require any information from electricity and gas undertakings
- impose effective, proportionate and dissuasive sanctions
  - up to 10% of the annual turnover

# What we have and what we need

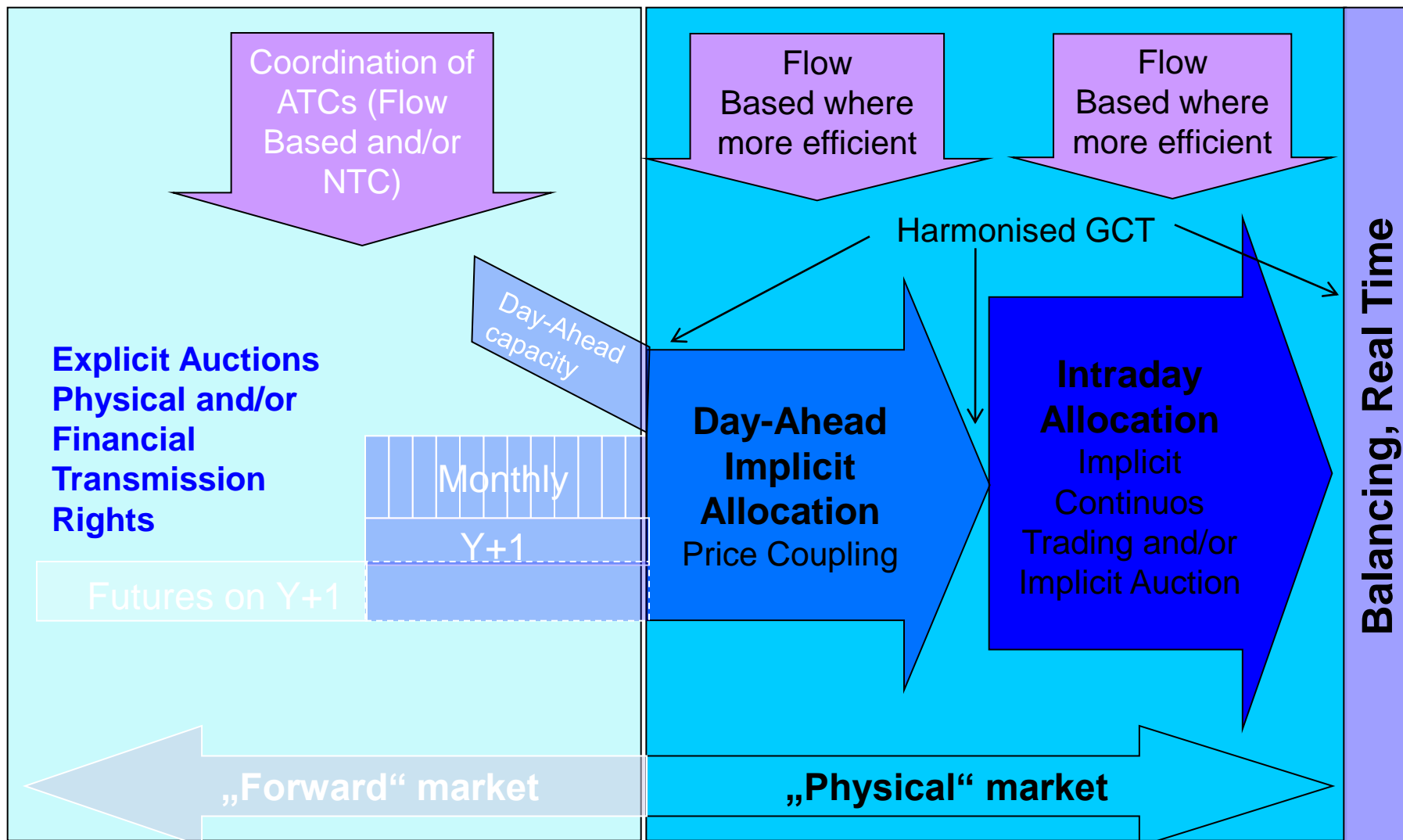
## ■ We have

- Regional Initiatives
- 3rd Package, new institutions and regulatory tools such as Framework Guidelines and network codes

## ■ We need

- To move on to real problems – the obstacles to achieving a single European market
- To define target models for electricity and gas markets

# PCG - Target Model for electricity



## What is also necessary

- Deeper and more flexible involvement of the Commission
- Willingness of MS (ministries) to actively participate in RI process
  
- Do not forget, that
  - we have 20-20-20!
  - Investment can't come immediately

**Thank you for your attention**

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