

LIBERALISATION, MARKET CHALLENGES, GENERATION INVESTMENTS

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LIBERALISATION: SUCCESSFUL TRACK RECORD, AMBITIOUS PLANS

Energy market liberalisation in EU:

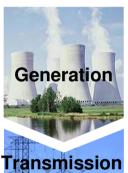
- Implemented in all member states wide range of free market share
- Ambitious plans ahead
 - Further (full?) unbundling
 - Full harmonisatiion of market rules, standards, tariffs
 - ISO or TSO model
 - Regulatory independence

The real succes factor is still the same: political commitment



CEZ HAS REACHED WIDE EXPERIENCE WITH MARKET LIBERALISATION...

From regulated market ...



- Regulated wholesale price
- Long-term contracts both in domestic markets and cross border trade
- No competition in ancillary services
- No third-party access to grids



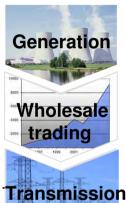
Distribution

- Regulated retail tariffs
- No choice of suppliers



Isolated national markets

... to liberalised market



- Free wholesale trading through spot markets and/or bilateral contracts
- Standardised trading platforms
- Open market for ancillary service providers



- Third-party access to grids
- Auctions for cross-border capacities
- Free choice of suppliers
- Retail price/products result of supply/demand dynamics

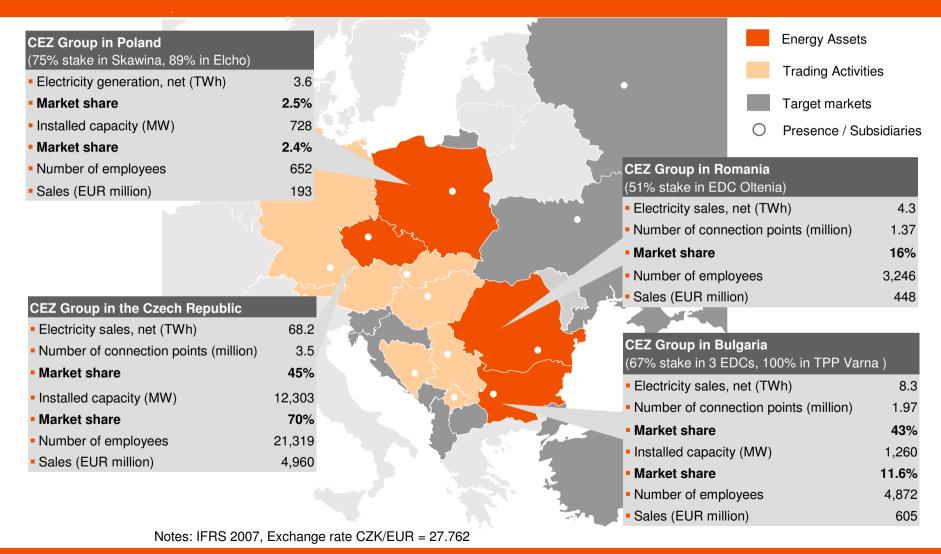


Retail

Integrated European market



...AS WELL AS SOUTH EAST EUROPEAN OPERATIONS





CEZ HAS SOME CLEAR TAKEAWAYS FROM THE LIBERALISATION PROCESS

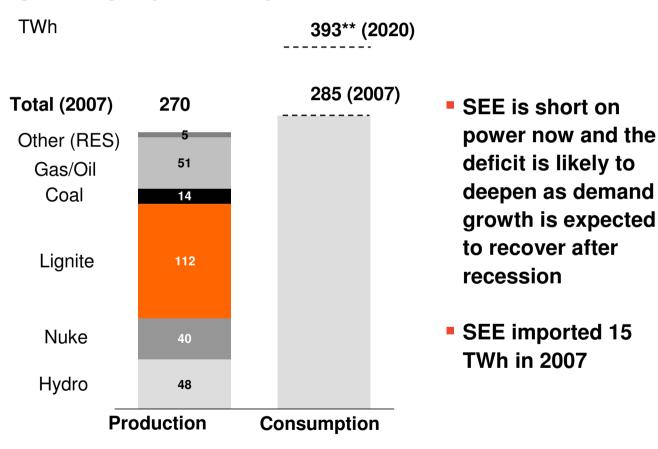
Key CEZ learnings from the liberalization process

- Need for strong and independent institutions regulators, market operators, power exchanges
- "The devil is in detail" while the free market principles may be formally implemented, they would not work unless supported by user friendly and transparent detailed market rules
- Need to consider all consequences (social, environmental etc.) and on that basis make pragmatic implementation decisions
- Small markets need to integrate to create "critical mass" and to dilute market power of local incumbents



SEE EUROPE FACES LACK OF CAPACITY





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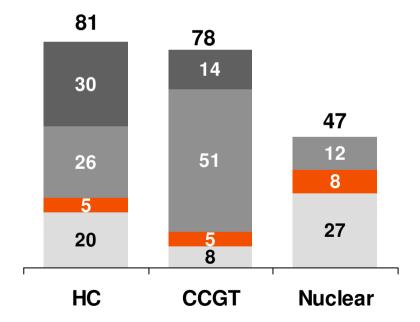
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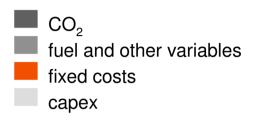
^{** 2,5%} CAGR (2008-2020)



THE INVESTMENTS INTO NEW FOSSIL PLANTS HAVE A NEGATIVE PAYBACK AS DISTORTED PRICES ARE BELOW THE FULL COSTS OF A NEW PLANT...

Full costs of a new power plant* EUR₂₀₀₈/MWh





- The range of SEE power prices is well below the full costs
- The power price in some countries does not cover even the variable costs!
- The full costs of new plants are covered only in a few countries like Greece

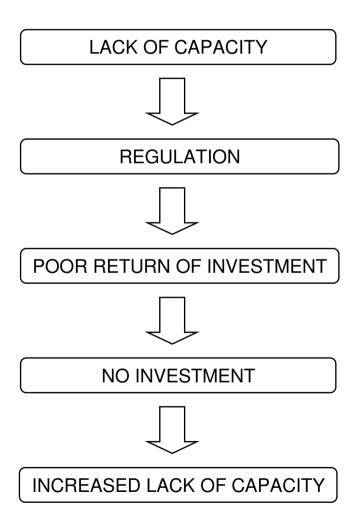


...THEREFORE, ONLY A FEW PROJECTS HAVE BEEN COMMITTED

New project status	Capacity (GW)
Set to start	1
Construction	4
Underway	2
Approved	4
Tendering	2
Feasibility	1
Permitting	2
Applied	1
Planned	26
Proposed	5



POTENTIALLY, THERE IS A VICIOUS CIRCLE PROBLEM WITH ENERGY INVESTMENTS





THE SOLUTION IS STILL FULL LIBERALISATION

TARGET	PROCESS
SHOW FAIR AND REAL PRICE OF POWER	LIBERALISE TRULY NATIONAL MARKETS - ESTABLISH POWER EXCHANGES
MINIMIZE THE OVERALL PRODUCTION COSTS	ENABLE CROSSBOARDER TRADING WITHOUT ANY CONSTRAINTS
ALLOW THE MARKET MECHANISMS TAKE EFFECT	REGULATORY SELF-CONTROL. MODERATION INSTEAD OF CONTINUOUS INTERVENTION



THE GLOBAL CRISIS CREATES UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY FOR MARKET LIBERALISATION AND INCREASES ITS URGENCY AT THE SAME TIME

Implications of the financial crisis and economic downturn for CEE/SEE power markets

Lack of financing. Banks more concerned about risks than ever: perception of CEE/SEE markets as weak/risky makes financing of new projects difficult and/or more expensive.

Drop in commodity prices (oil from ~150 to <50 \$/bl, coal ~220 to <80 \$/t, CO2 from ~30 to <18 Eur/t CO2, power from ~ 90 to <60 Eur/MWh) due to less feverish demand reduces the gap between regulated and freemarket power price

The opportunity and urgency for liberalization is bigger than ever

- Now, there is no way to obtain financing for new projects without creating credible markets
- The social impact of liberalization will be reduced as the drop in global commodities push free market power prices down
- Shrinking state budgets can get relieved from energy price subsidies
- The new plant projects would create a large number of new jobs and, consequently, would help to mitigate the impact of the economic downturn



MOMENT OF MERCY: URGENCY AND OPPORTUNITY ARE HAND-IN-HAND TO HELP FINISHING LIBERALISATION



