

MCSC meeting minutes

18.02.2026

Minutes

Title of Meeting Market Coupling Steering Committee (MCSC)

Place / Date Meeting, 18/02/2026, 10:30 – 13:00 CEST

Status	Version	Date	Comment
Draft	1	18/02/2026	Draft minutes circulated to MCSC
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Attendance list

- R: organisation represented
- P: person attending

Institution	18-Feb
50Hertz	R
Admie	R
Amprion	R
APG	R
AST	R
Baltic Cable	R
ČEPS	R
Creos	R
Eirgrid	R
Elering	R
ELES	R
Elia	R
Energinet	R
ESO	R
Fingrid	R
HOPS	R
Kraftnät Åland	T
Litgrid	R
MAVIR	R
PSE	R
REE	R
REN	T
RTE	R
SEPS	R
SONI (TSO)	R
Statnett	R
Svenska Kraftnät	R
Terna	R
Transelectrica	T
TransnetBW	R
Tennet Germany	R
Tennet Netherlands	R
BRM	R
BSP	R
CROPEX	R
EPEX Spot	R
ETPA	T
EXAA	R
GME	R
HEnEx	R
HUPX	R
IBEX	R
Nord Pool EMCO	R
OKTE	R
OMIE	R
OPCOM	R
OTE	R
SONI (SEMOpX)	R
Eirgrid (NEMO)	R
TGE	R

1.1) Confirmation of quorum

The MCSC quorum is confirmed by the MCSC PMO.

1.2) Meeting agenda

The agenda is modified (PMO contract prolongation moved to the end of meeting) and an additional topic on minmax SDAC price incident is added to SDAC OPSCOM for information. The agenda is adopted.

ID	Decision
684	The meeting agenda of the MCSC meeting (18/02/2026) is approved.

1.3) Matching of pre-aligned NEMO vote and TSO vote

The list of pre-aligned NEMO and TSO votes is established.

1.4) List of action points

New action points agreed in the meeting:

ID	Action
9929	TSOs to update information on 30' IDCZGCT on ENTSO-E website [25/02]
9930	MCSC members to nominate cyber security experts to the cyber security TF [11/03]
9931	ICT to discuss set-up of cyber security TF [11/03]
9932	Slovenian MNA LIP, Baltic MNA LIP, Croatian MNA LIP to provide a common statement per LIP, agreed by all parties in the LIP (including bordering parties), on the feasibility of go-live in Window 1 in writing to ETG and QARM [04/03]
9933	SIM TF to communicate to stakeholders and MCSC that IDAs are available in SF, once successfully live.
9934	MCCG to facilitate request for MPs to provide input for improving upcoming member training
9935	SDAC OPSCOM to share a slide with the outcomes of the investigation into the event when requested by MPs [25/02]

The following decisions are approved in the meeting.

ID	Decision
684	The meeting agenda of the MCSC meeting (18/02/2026) is approved.
685	The minutes of the MCSC meeting on 21/01/2026 are approved. The minutes extract of the 21/01/2026 meeting is approved for publication under the dedicated SDAC & SIDC section at the ENTSO-E and NEMO Committee websites.
686	MCSC approves Nicolaj MADSEN as PMO for MCCG.
687	MCSC approves the final material for the 04/03 MCCG.
688	MSCC approves activation of a sub-group for Cybersecurity topics on level of MCSC (proposed to start from 1st of April) to gather requirements according to national legislation (i.e. transposed NIS2).
689	MCSC mandates SIDC QARM for finalization of the CR on CMI SLA Implementation. The expected implementation price is ██████████ with yearly maintenance price of ██████████ UR. In case the negotiation leads to price change, QARM is mandated to approve the price increase maximum by ██████████.
690	MCSC mandates SIDC QARM for finalization of the CR on XBID Release 6.0. The expected implementation price is ██████████ with yearly maintenance price of ██████████. In case the

	negotiation leads to price change, QARM is mandated to approve the price increase maximum by [REDACTED].
691	MCSC acknowledges and approves CORE AHC Simulation results and MSD view that there are no blocking points for go-live of CORE AHC based on the 3 months simulation results and with Euphemia 12.0.
692	MCSC acknowledges that final approval of the CORE AHC will be based on the PCR-ALG RfC algorithm tests and QARM testing.
693	MCSC approves the Magnus Energy expert support for Co-opt in preparation of Phase 2 simulations (BC bids creation & ad hoc support for simulations) using the SDAC MSD Co-optimisation.
694	MCSC approves option 1 as the preferred mitigation measure in case Hansa Phase II encounters further delay. MCSC agrees that all parties should ensure that all systems can be reconfigured as needed in time for Core AHC testing to start on 06/04 (latest possible date to go live in Q2).
695	MCSC mandate SDAC OPSCOM to deploy messaging improvements.
696	MCSC to mandate MCGG to facilitate request for MPs to provide input for improving upcoming member training.

1.5) Welcome, practicalities

The chairs open the meeting by welcoming TSOs and NEMOs.

2. JOINT Part – General points

2.1) Approval of minutes (internal & external)

MCSC approves the minutes of the previous meeting.

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2.2) PMO staffing update

MCSC approves an update to the PMO staffing.

ID	Decision
686	MCSC approves Nicolaj MADSEN as PMO for MCGG.

3. JOINT Part – Decisions requested & Information

3.1) MCGG

MCSC approves the 04/03 MCGG session file

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687	MCSC approves the final material for the 04/03 MCGG.

ID	Action
9929	TSOs to update information on 30' IDCZGCT on ENTSO-E website [25/02]

3.2) Legal TF

MCSC is informed of the activities from LTF.

3.3) Fallback Expert Group

MCSC is informed of the ongoing activities of the Fallback Expert Group.

3.4) Gov TF

MCSC approves to initiate a task force to investigate the impact of NIS2 on common service providers.

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4. SIDC – Decisions requested & Information

4.1)SIDC QARM

MCSC is informed of ongoing activities of SIDC QARM.

MCSC approves the scope and pricing of two Change Requests.

MCSC discusses the scope of Window 1 – 2026 and agrees on an action point to ensure clarity.

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4.2)SIDC OPSCOM

MCSC is informed of the overview of statistics on operations and ongoing activities in SIDC OPSCOM.

4.3)SIDC MSD

MCSC is informed of the outcomes of the flow-based workshop that was organised by MSD and QARM with ACER.

5. SDAC – Decisions requested & Information

5.1)SDAC SIM TF

SIM TF confirms that the grace period shortening was tested and implemented in the Simulation Facility, according to the mandate from MCSC.

MCSC is informed that the implementation of IDAs in SF is ongoing, with an expected go-live in March.

ID	Action
9933	SIM TF to communicate to stakeholders and MCSC that IDAs are available in SF, once successfully live.

5.2)SDAC MSD

MCSC is informed of performance test executed for Core AHC.

MCSC is informed of the updated planning of the Co-optimisation R2 report.

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692	MCSC acknowledges that final approval of the CORE AHC will be based on the PCR-ALG RfC algorithm tests and QARM testing.
693	MCSC approves the Magnus Energy expert support for Co-opt in preparation of Phase 2 simulations (BC bids creation & ad hoc support for simulations) using the SDAC MSD Co-optimisation

5.3)SDAC QARM

MCSC is informed of the testing progress of Hansa Phase II and Core AHC and agrees on a mitigation measure in case an unexpected delay occurs later.

ID	Decision
694	MCSC approves option 1 as the preferred mitigation measure in case Hansa Phase II encounters further delay. MCSC agrees that all parties should ensure that all systems can be reconfigured as needed in time for Core AHC testing to start on 06/04 (latest possible date to go live in Q2).

5.4)SDAC OPSCOM

MCSC is informed of the progress on the implementation of messaging improvements in SDAC.

MCSC is informed of the occurrence of extreme prices on 13/02 (delivery day 14/02).

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696	MCSC to mandate MCCG to facilitate request for MPs to provide input for improving upcoming member training

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6. AOB

6.1) Webinar Capgemini on Market Coupling IT Architecture Study March 6th 13:30-15h

6.2) Organigram

7. Meeting closure