



Smart TSO-DSO interaction schemes, market architectures and ICT  
Solutions for the integration of ancillary services from demand side  
management and distributed generation

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**SmartNet project:** TSO-DSO interaction architectures to enable DER  
participation in ancillary services markets

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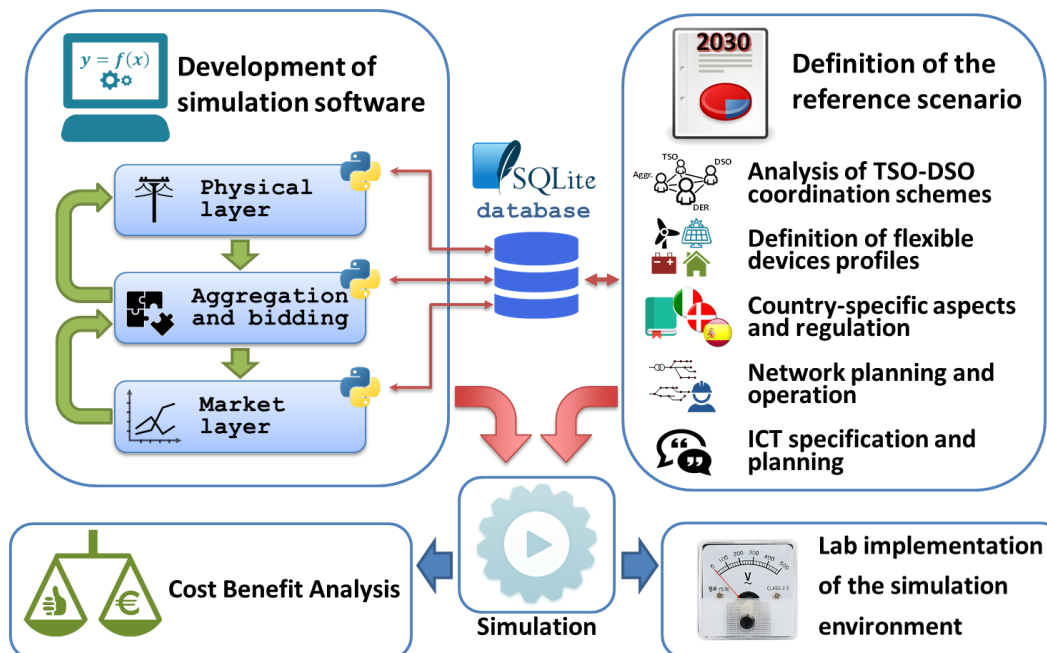
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# Agenda

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- Proposed AS market design
- The simulation platform
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- Some hints for the debate

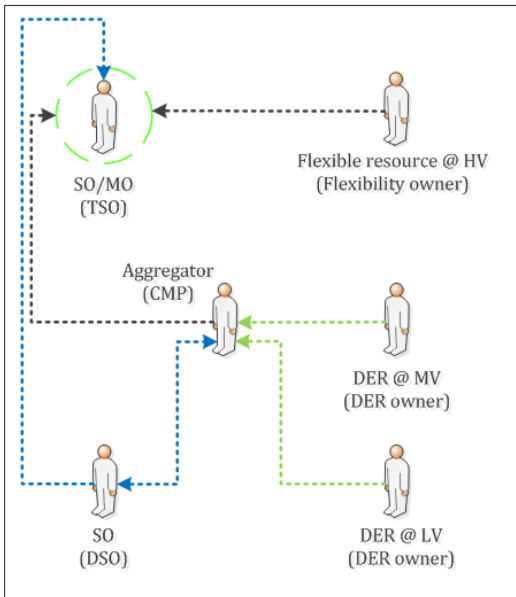
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- **architectures for optimized interaction between TSOs and DSOs** in managing the purchase of ancillary services from subjects located in distribution.
- **three national cases** (Italy, Denmark, Spain);
- **ad hoc simulation platform** (physical network, market and ICT)
- **CBA** to assess which TSO-DSO coordination scheme is optimal for the three countries.
- use of **full replica lab** to test performance of real controller devices.
- **three physical pilots** to demonstrate capability to monitor and control distribution by TSO and flexibility services that can be offered by distribution (thermal inertia of indoor swimming pools, distributed storage of radio-base stations).



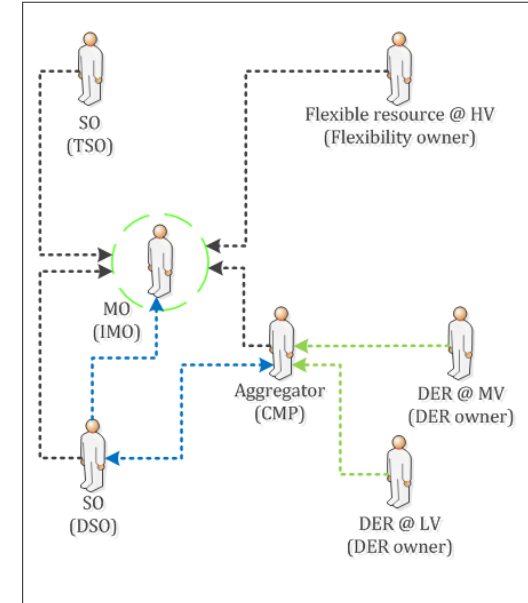
# TSO-DSO coordination schemes

Centralized AS market model

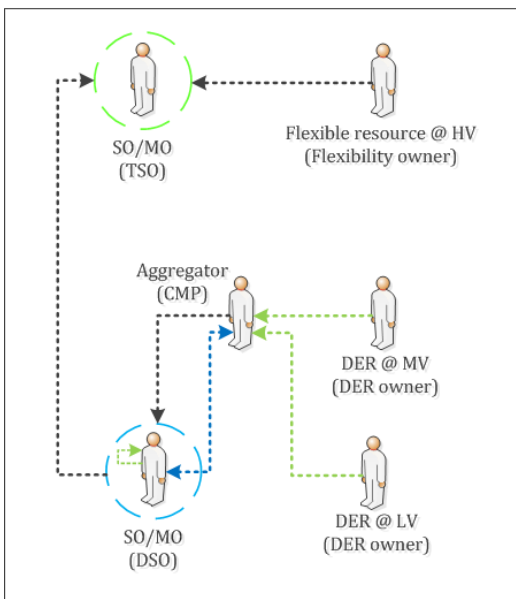


## 5 possible coordination schemes TSOs & DSOs for AS by distributed flexibility resources

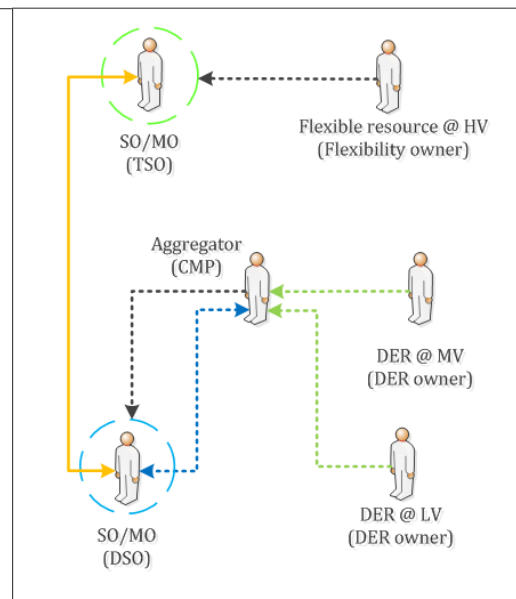
- Centralized AS market model
- Local AS market model
- Shared balancing responsibility model
- Common TSO-DSO AS market model
- Integrated flexibility market model



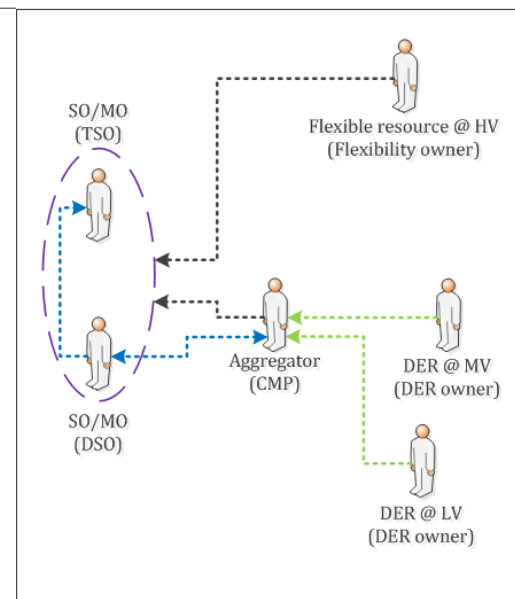
Local AS market model



Shared balancing responsibility model



Common TSO-DSO AS market model

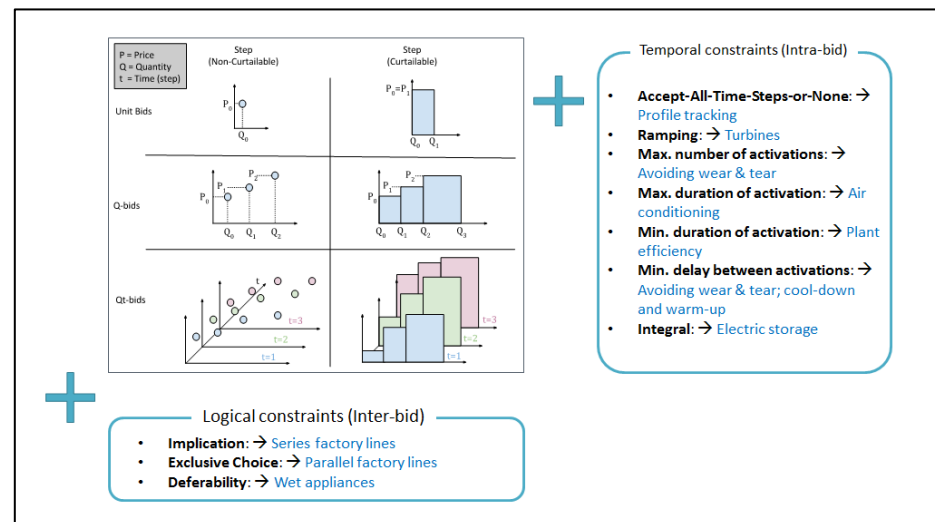
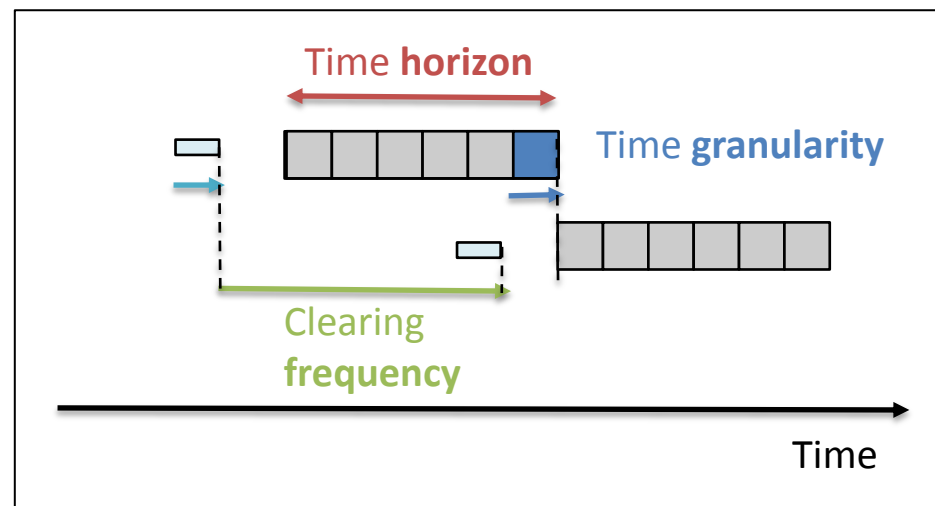


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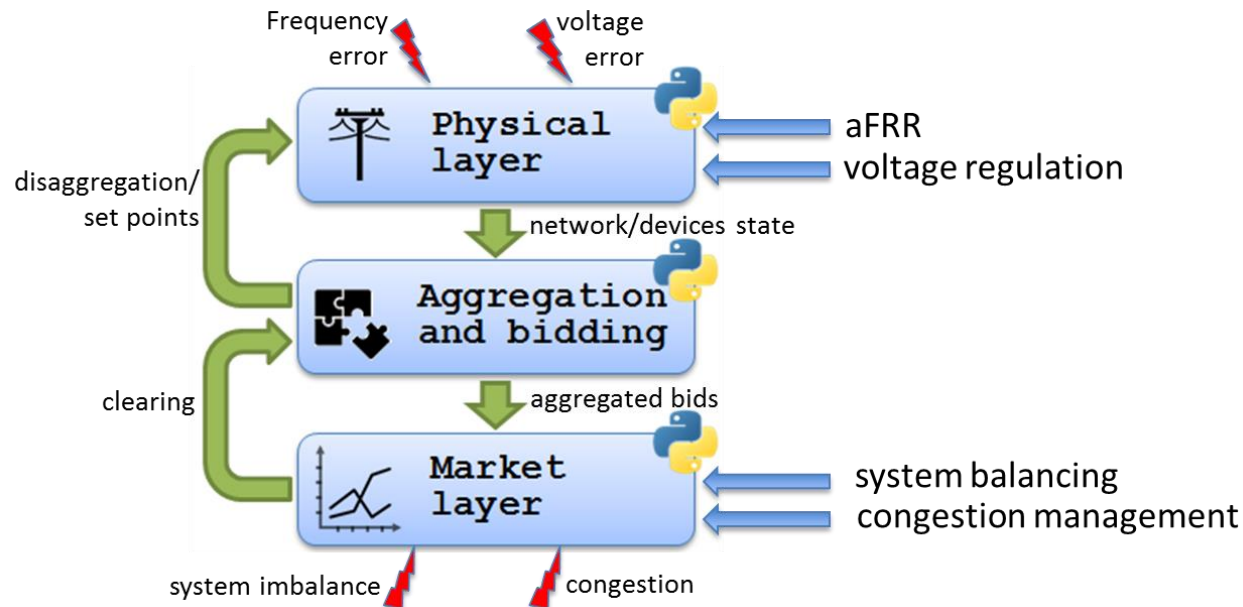
Role (Actor)	
Centralized market	
Local market	
Coordinated market	
Pre-defined profile exchange	
Aggregation	
Market bids	
Pre-qualification	

# Proposed Market Design

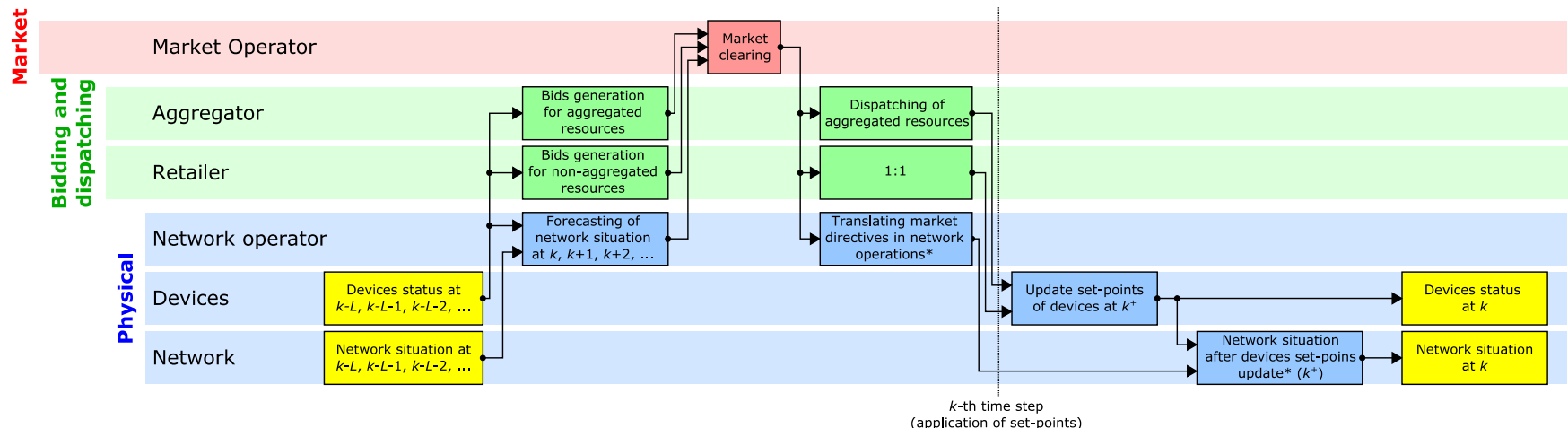
- **Considered services:** **balancing** and **congestion** management at transmission (HV) and distribution level (MV), including voltage constraint at MV
- **Rolling optimisation concept:** Results for the **first** time step are a **firm** decision. Results for the **next** time steps are **advisory** decisions.
- **Network representation:** DC approximation for HV, SOCP for MV
- **Market products:** implementation of typical constraints of flexibility providers (extension to **multi-period bids** with **temporal** and **logical** constraints
- **Representation of arbitrage opportunity between cascading markets:** day-ahead, intraday, AS market



# The simulation platform



**System imbalance not «seen» by the market layer (e.g. CS-A disregards congestion in distribution), is trapped by the physical layer (f-regulation) and economically penalized**

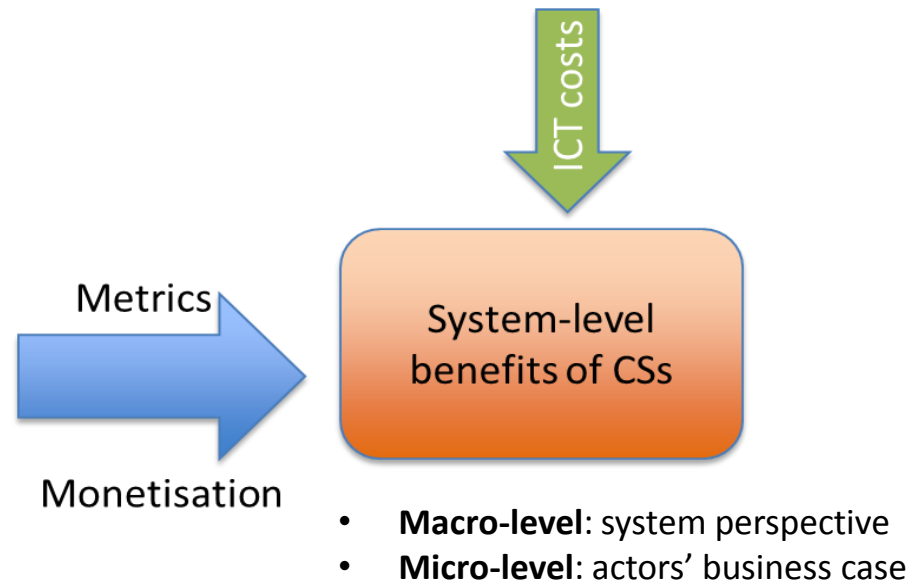


- Literature review:
  - EPRI/JRC
  - REALISEGRID
  - e-Highway2050
- Proposed indicators:
  - **Reduction of total balancing cost** (not social welfare!)
  - **Reduction of network losses** (calculated ex-post)
  - **Reduction of congestion not “seen” by the AS market:** trapped by the regulations of the physical layer
- Sensitivity factors
  - **Emissions savings:** with standard emission rates for each generation technology and CO2 prices forecasted at studied horizon.
  - **Cost percentage due to network limitations:** comparing costs with Ideal situation (bus-bar network)

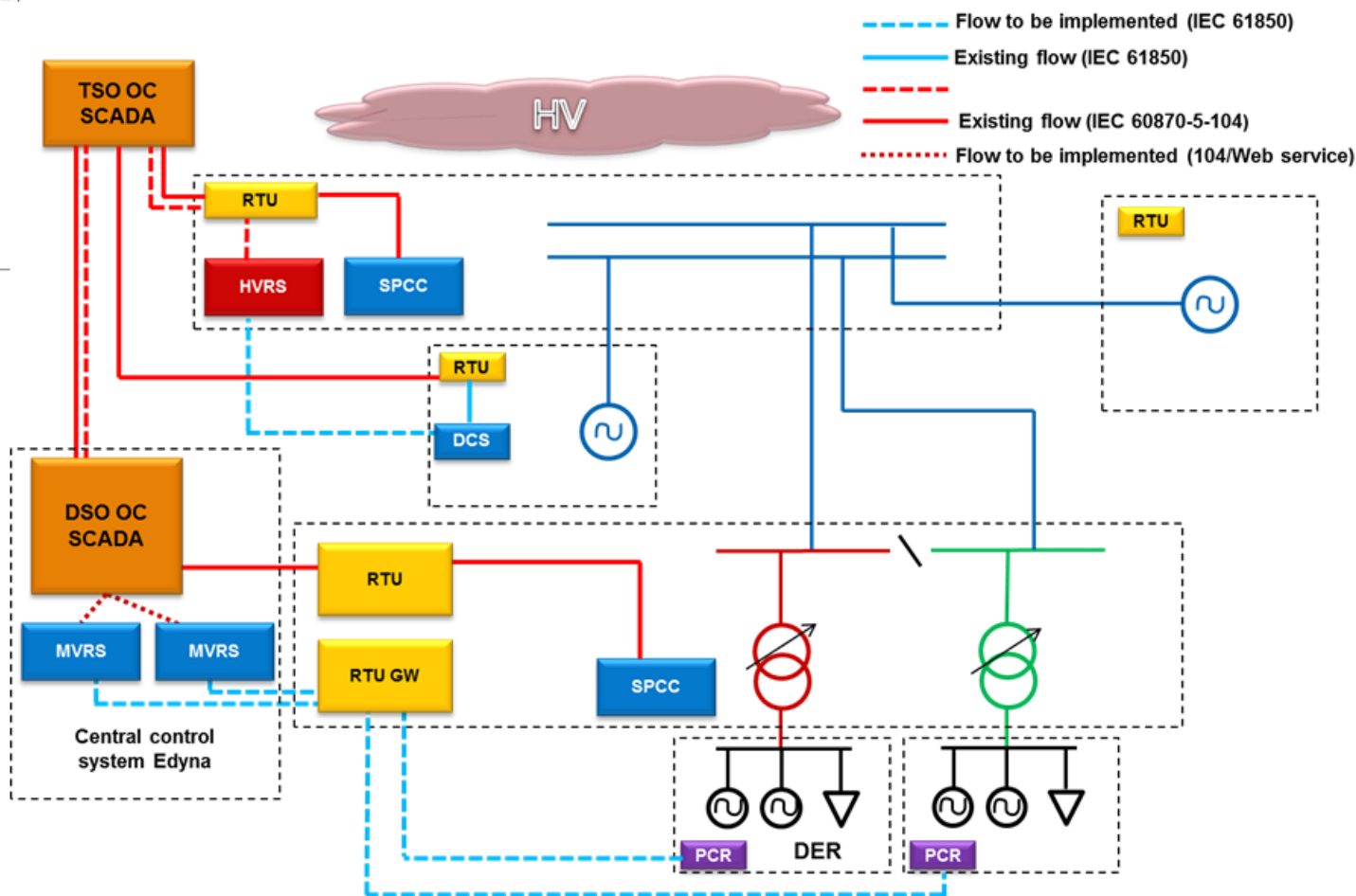
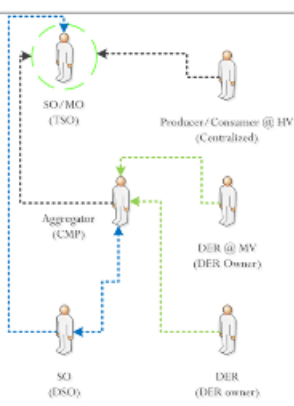
ICT costs include communication, market clearing software).... Steps :

1. Comparison of the coordination schemes in terms of functionalities and ICT
2. Convert each ICT system into a cost at target year

Main focus on issues that can differ between coordination schemes.



# Pilot A: Distribution monitoring and control



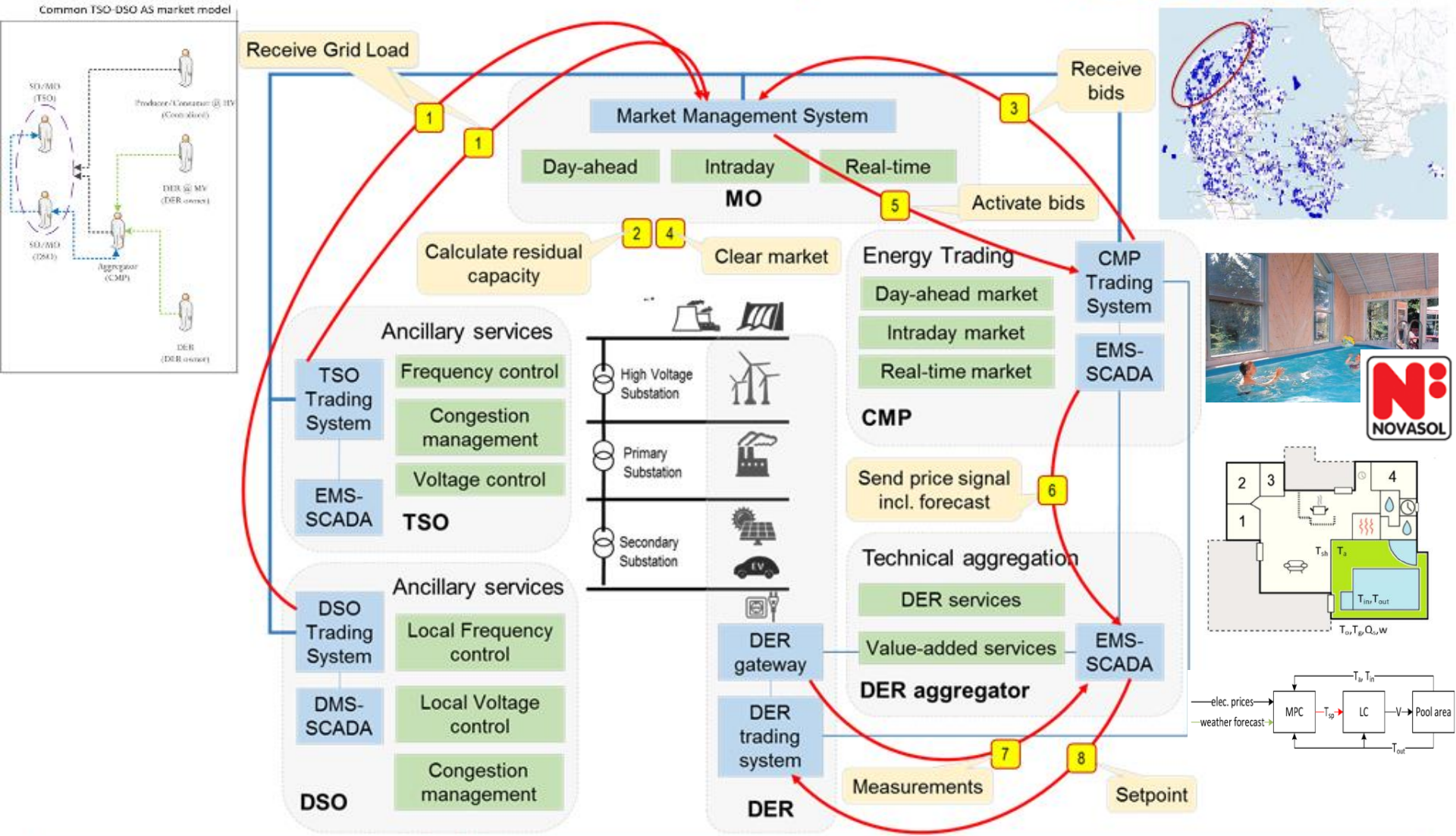
**Aggregation of information**  
in RT at TSO-DSO interconnection  
(HV/MV transformer)

**Voltage regulation**  
by generators connected at HV and  
MV levels

**Power-frequency regulation / balancing**  
by generators connected at HV and MV  
levels



# Pilot B: Ancillary services from indoor swimming pools

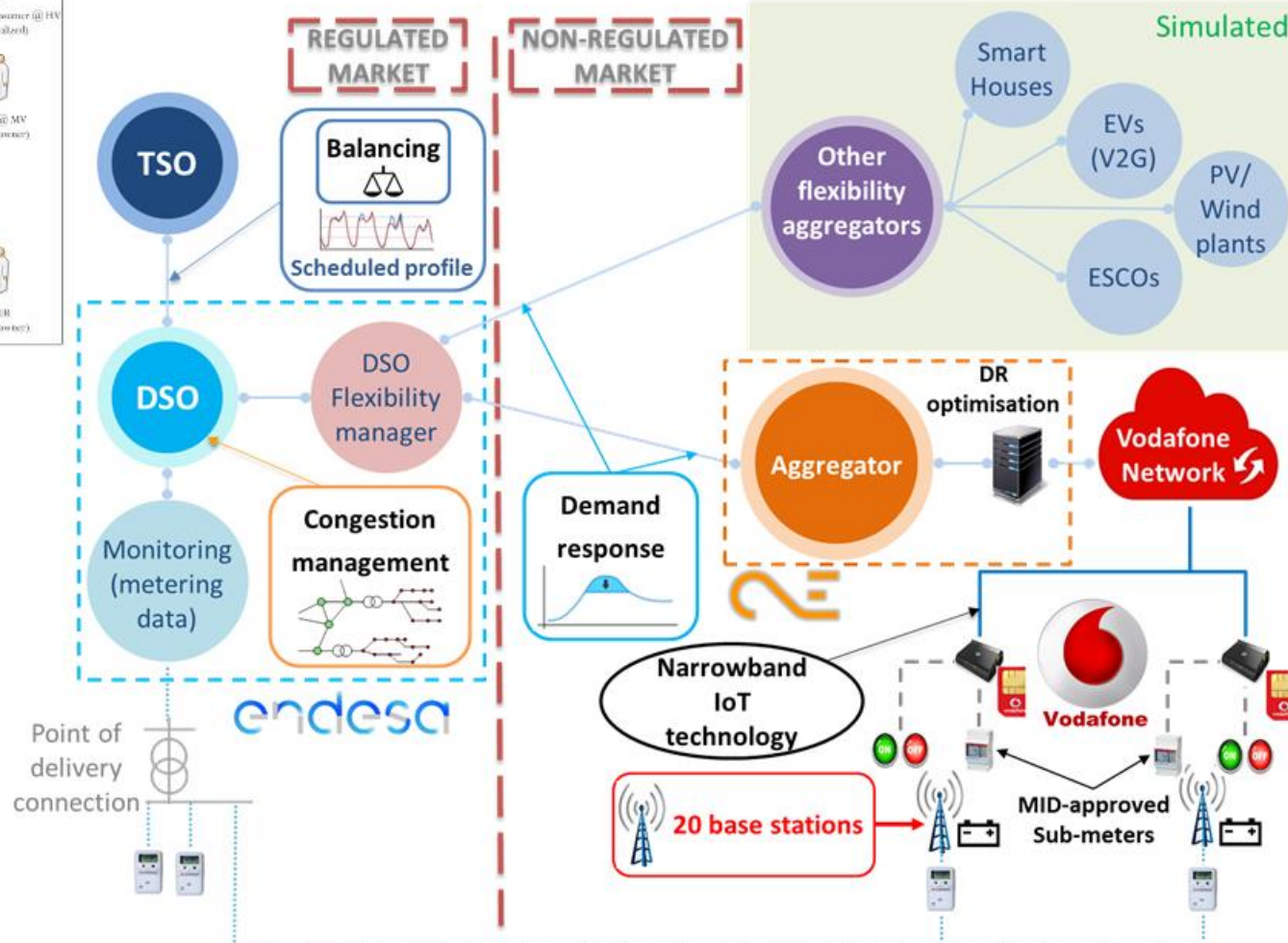
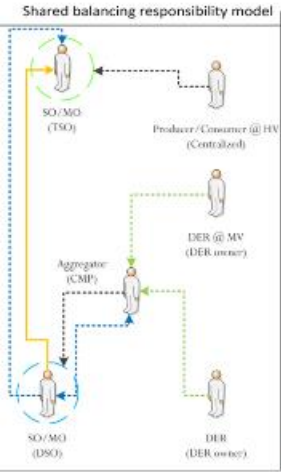


**Congestion management**  
to better integrate PV, EV and HP

**Price-based control**  
of thermal controllers of swimming pools in summer houses

**Balancing**  
of wind power with decreasing contribution of thermal units

# Pilot C: Ancillary services from radio-base stations



Congestion management  
at DSO level

Demand Response Aggregation  
by using storage flexibility (BS and EV)

Power-frequency regulation / balancing  
by respecting the exchange program at the  
TSO-DSO interconnection

## Some hints for the debate

- If the contribution from entities in distribution will grow, DSOs should **implement real time network monitoring** and TSOs could need to **share with DSOs part of responsibility** for the provision of AS.
- Whatever coordination scheme is implemented, it is important that that actions taken by the **TSO and DSO don't cause counteracting effects** (e.g. between local congestion management and balancing) – see CEER Position Paper on Future DSO-TSO Relationship
- between the different AS markets, “**common marketplace**” (see ENTSO-E working paper on Distributed Flexibility and the value of TSO/DSO cooperation) is preferable in order to avoid duplicating bids and avoiding double activations.
- before implementing a separate market for a given AS, it should be attentively considered if it can be **sufficiently liquid** (e.g. local congestion management in distribution).
- restructuring national AS markets should take into account possibility of a **seamless integration with preceding energy markets** (DAM, ID) so as to avoid providing gaming opportunities (e.g. between non-nodal energy markets and nodal AS market)
- new AS architectures should **integrate with on-going transnational integration process** (ENTSO-E platforms): sharing reserve between Countries is a key for allowing further RES integration.
- a **balance** has to be sought for between local optimality (e.g. for a given Country) and the implementation of a harmonized pan-European design.
- **smaller DSOs have to integrate their efforts** in order to be fit for the new responsibilities.
- **real-time market architectures** must take into account the characteristics/constraints of the potential flexibility providers connected to distribution grids
- **aggregators** must be able to provide a simplified interface towards the market, hiding details of flexibility providers, and deliver efficient price signals to incentivize participation from distribution.
- **viable business models** must be available for all market participants, including DERs, aggregators and other customers.
- **network planning** will also have to facilitate better utilization of RES exploiting flexibility.



# SmartNet



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