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Survey on Ancillary services procurement, Balancing market design 2015

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Introduction (1)



ENTSO-E Survey on Ancillary services procurement, Balancing market design 2015

The purpose of this survey is to provide an overview of the different market arrangements in place throughout Europe regarding to Ancillary services procurement and Balancing market design.

The maps illustrate how different approaches have been taken to the design elements across Europe.

The Ancillary Services Working Group members who responded to the questionnaire are as follows:

Austria, Belgium, Bosnia & Herzegovina, Croatia, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland & NI, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, The Netherlands, United Kingdom.



Introduction (2)



This document is expected to help the introduction of the Network Code Balancing. It is meant as a quite comprehensive, but user-friendly set of information on the existing arrangements.

Caveats:

- This is a relatively high-level exercise (not all details are captured).
- Developing a single set of definitions for the purpose of this survey, we experienced the
 difficulty to match the various concepts used in different countries. As a consequence, in
 some specific cases, the position of a country in a certain group might be debatable.
- This is based on information updated in November 2015 and describes the mechanisms in place in 2015, irrespective of any updates which might already be foreseen for the future.
- Elaborating the data we decided not to appear all the questions from the survey in this
 document, because majority of the given answers were "Not applicable" or "Missing data".
- Visualizing the answers we distinguished the TSO who responsed the questionnaire, but doesn't have answer to the certain question (marked with "N/A") from the TSO who did not response the questionnaire (marked with "Missing data").

Note: please print in colour for distinction between answers!



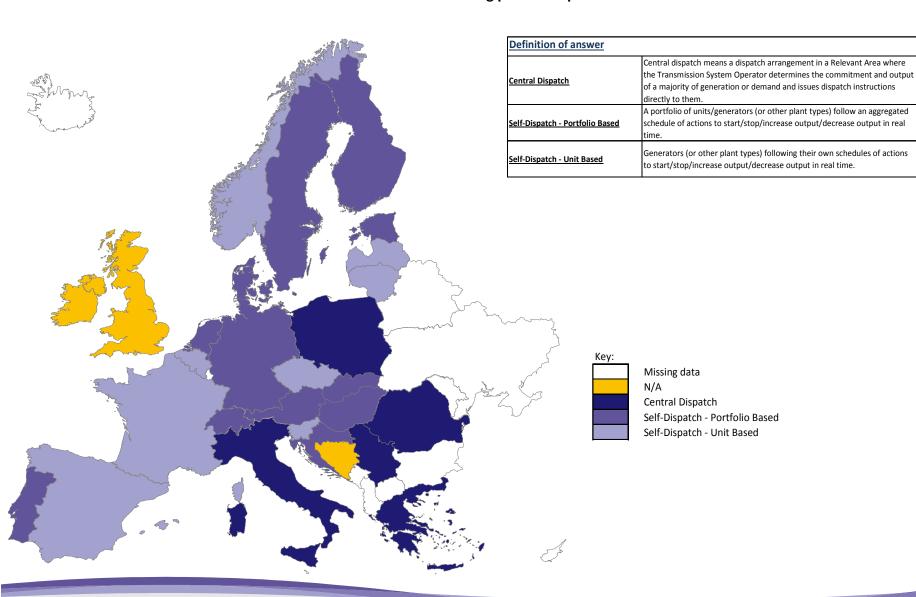


Ancillary Services

(Referring to questions of AS survey from AS1.0 to AS15.0)

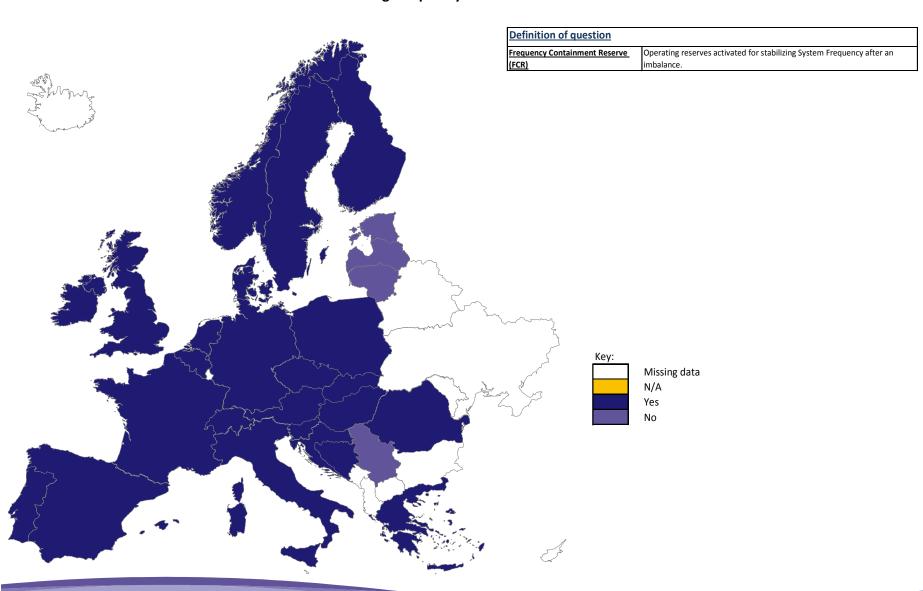


What is the balancing process in place?



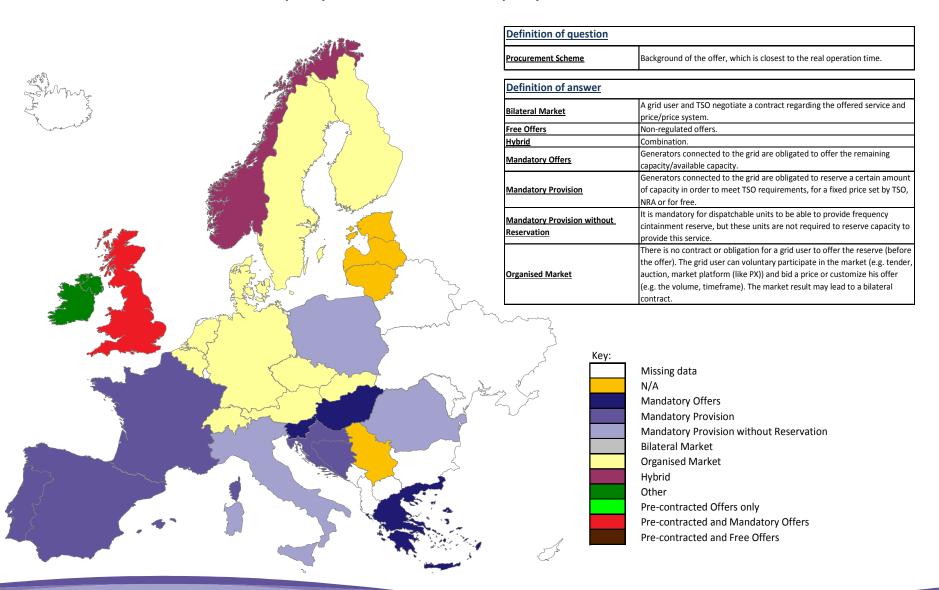


Using Frequency Containment Reserve



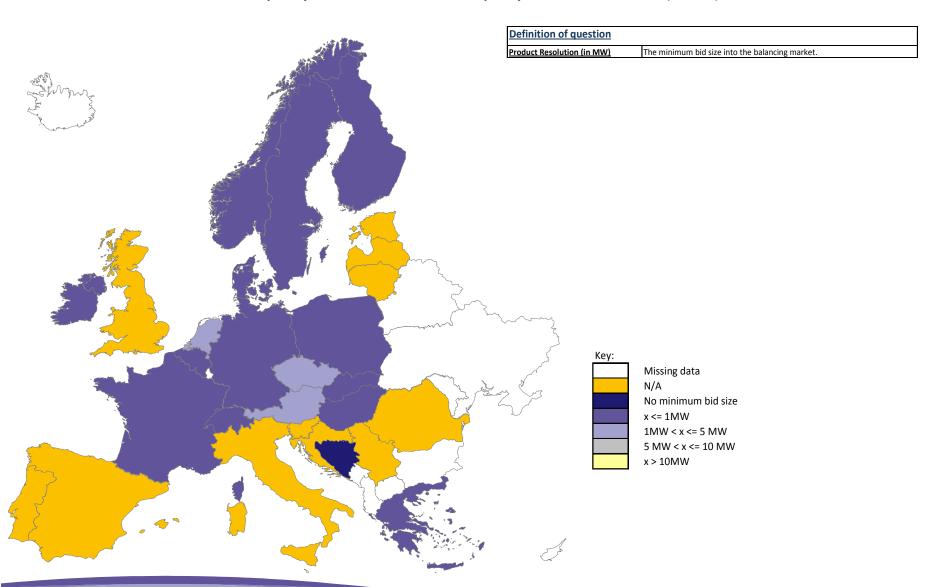


Frequency Containment Reserve - Capacity - Procurement Scheme



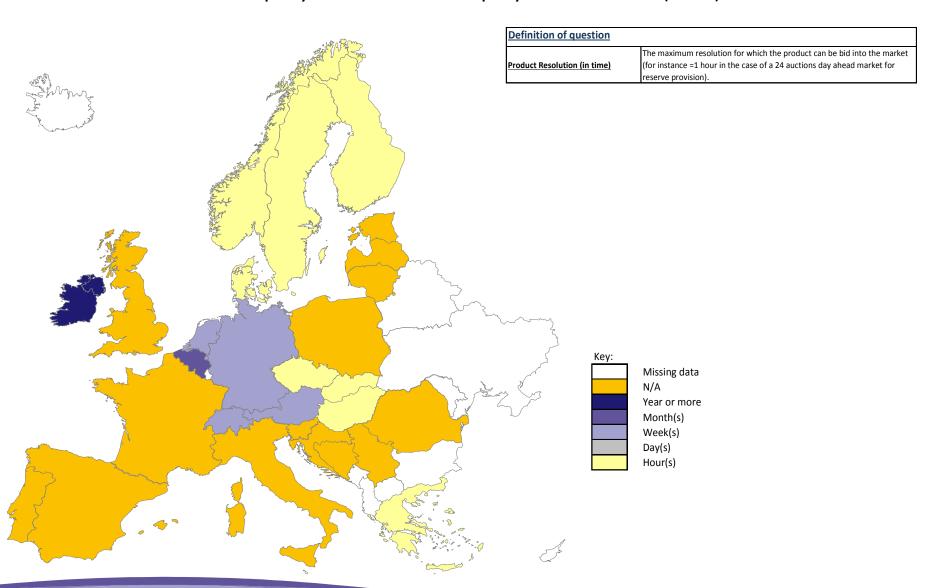


Frequency Containment Reserve - Capacity - Product Resolution (in MW)



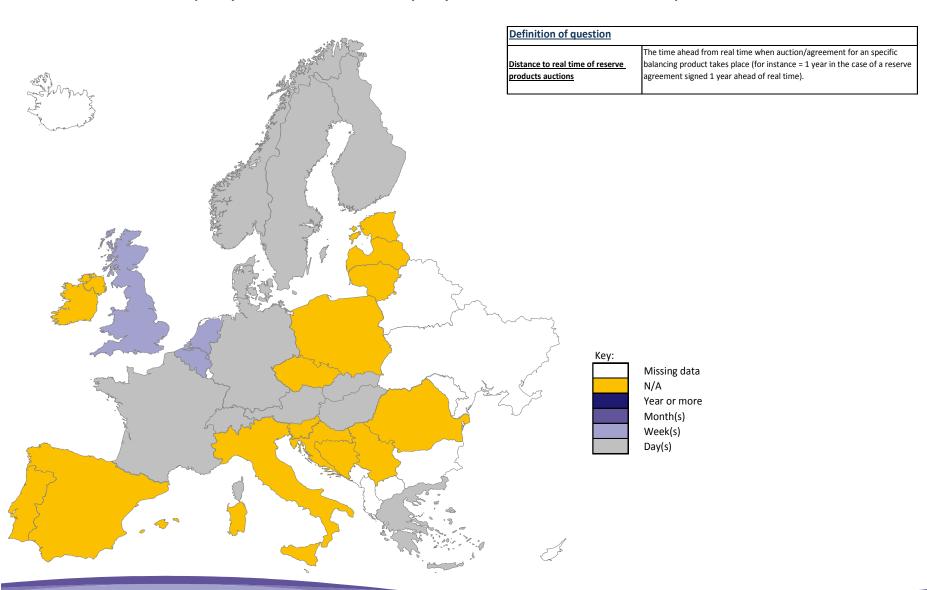


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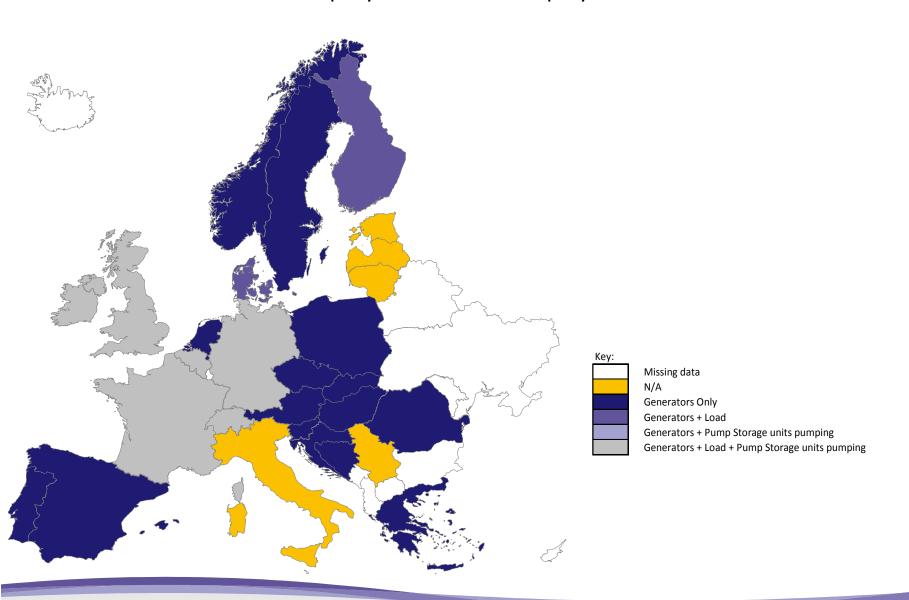


Frequency Containment Reserve - Capacity - Distance to real time of reserve products auctions



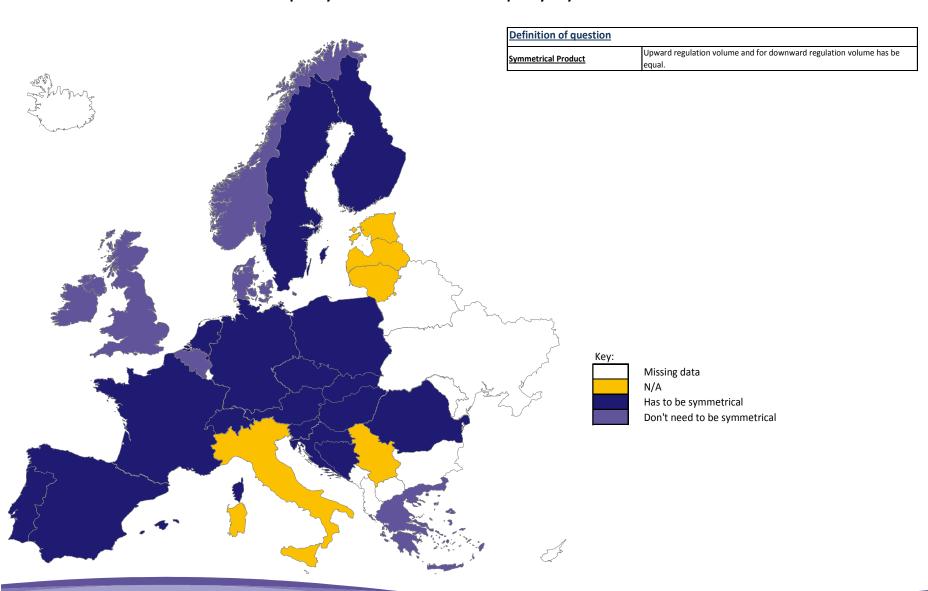


Frequency Containment Reserve - Capacity - Provider



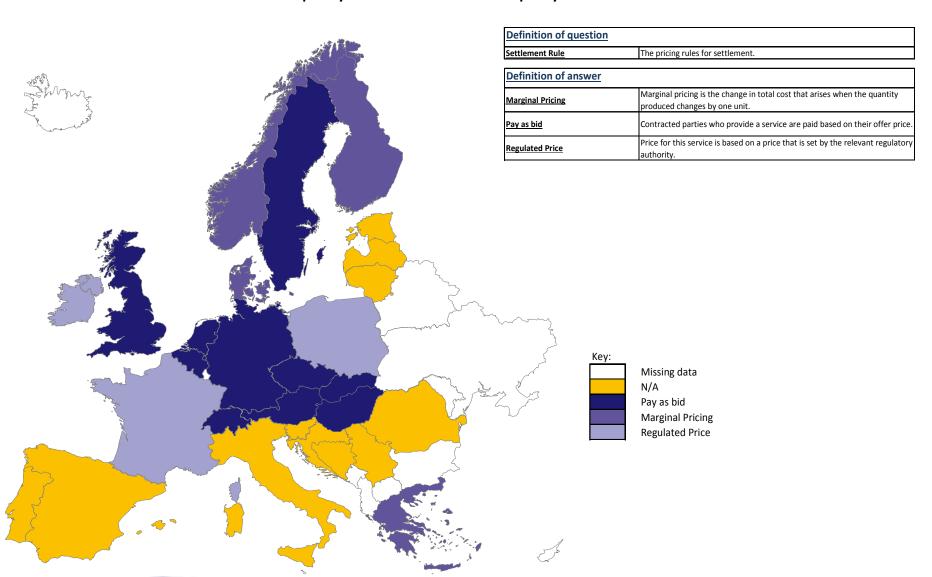


Frequency Containment Reserve - Capacity - Symmetrical Product



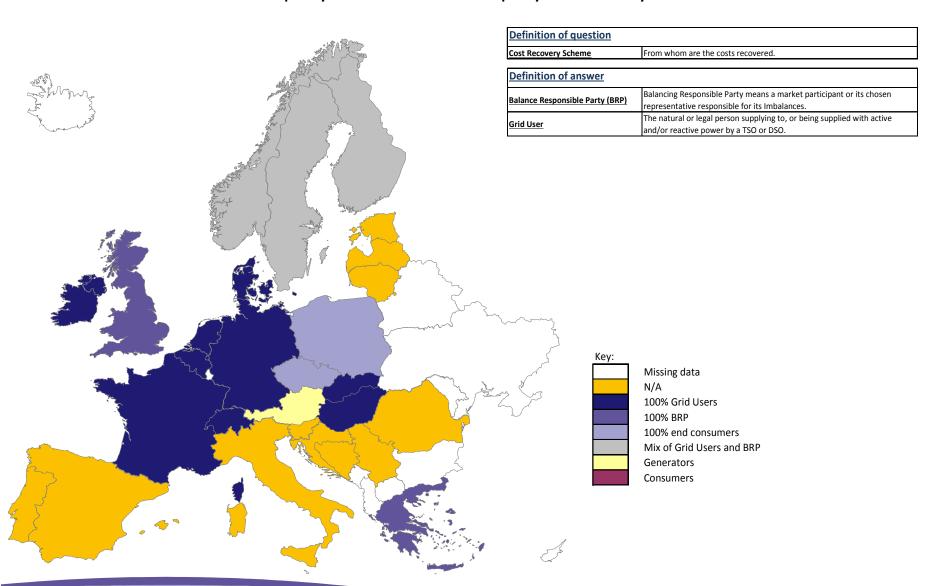


Frequency Containment Reserve - Capacity - Settlement Rule



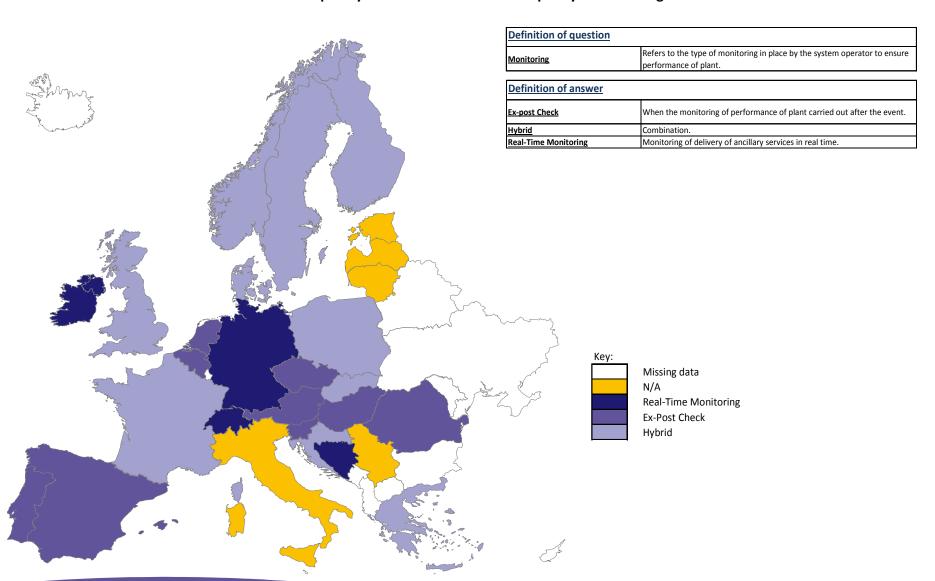


Frequency Containment Reserve - Capacity - Cost Recovery Scheme



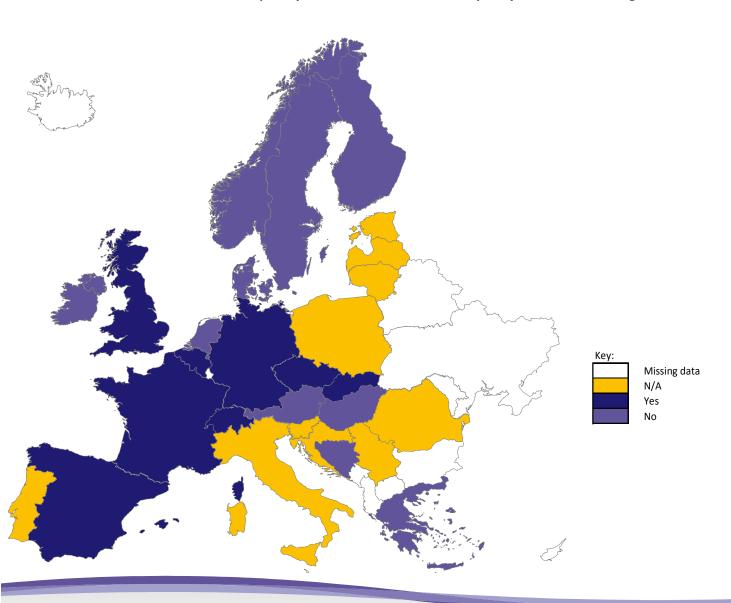


Frequency Containment Reserve - Capacity - Monitoring



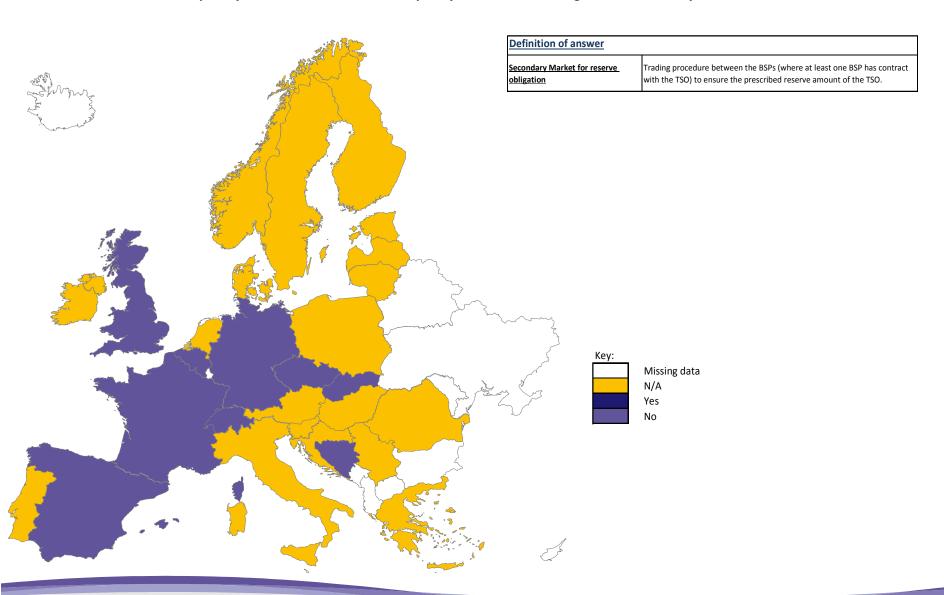


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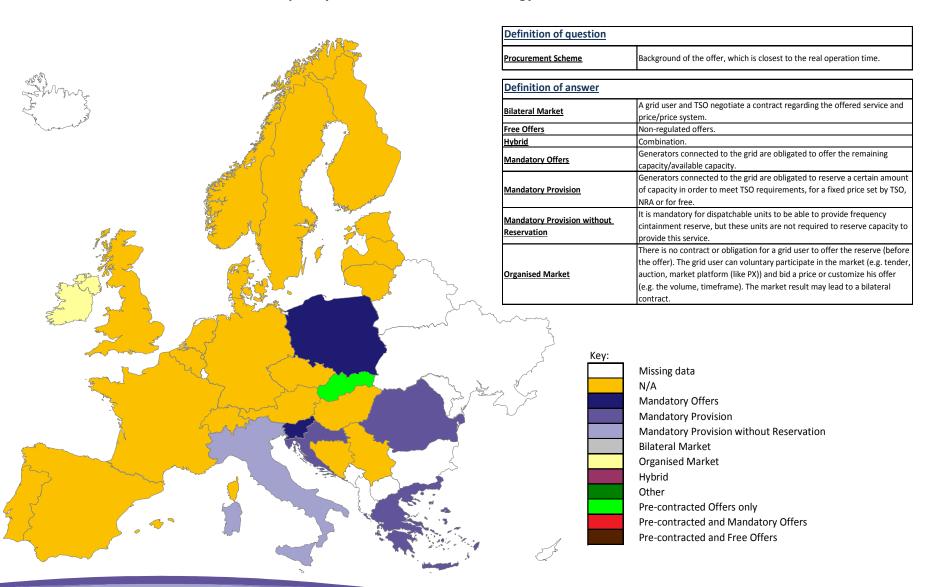


Frequency Containment Reserve - Capacity - Obl. allowed, organised secondary market exists



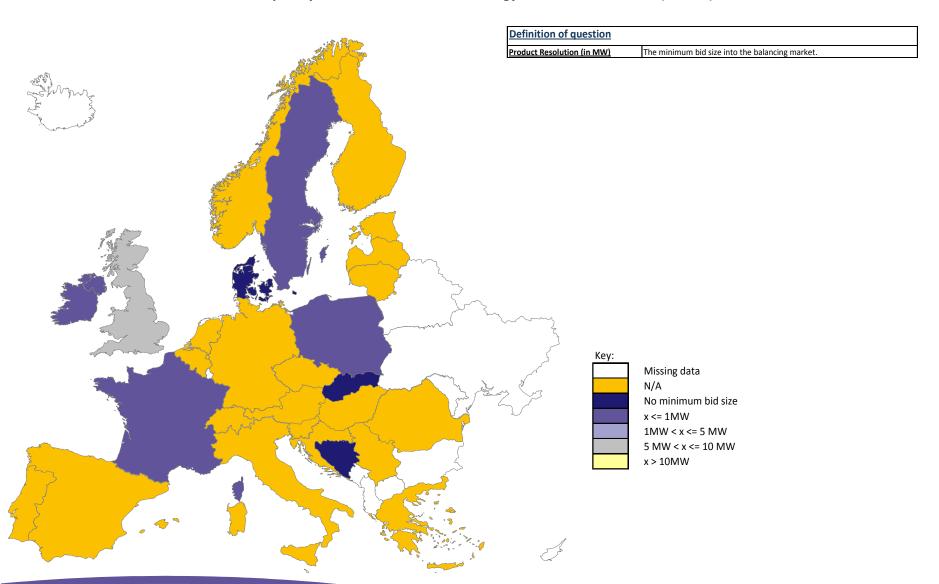


Frequency Containment Reserve - Energy - Procurement Scheme



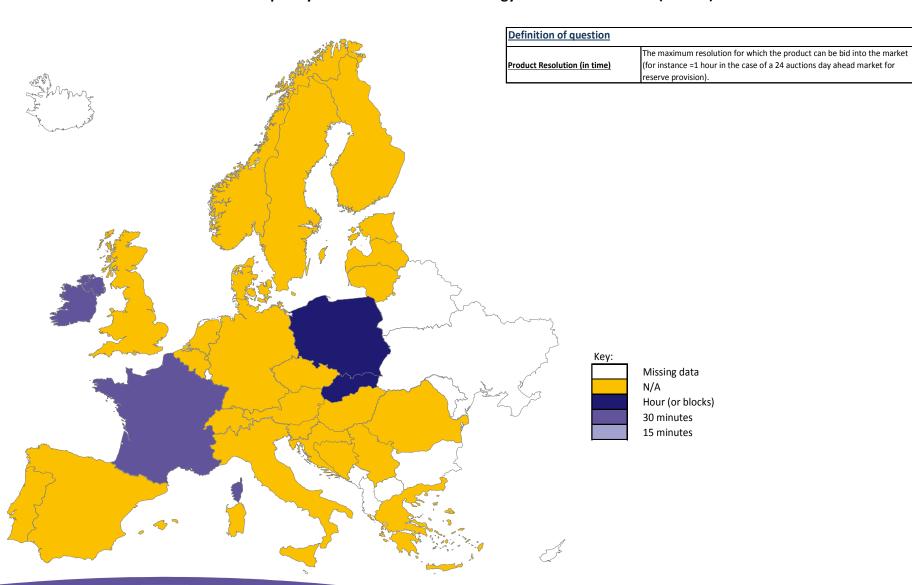


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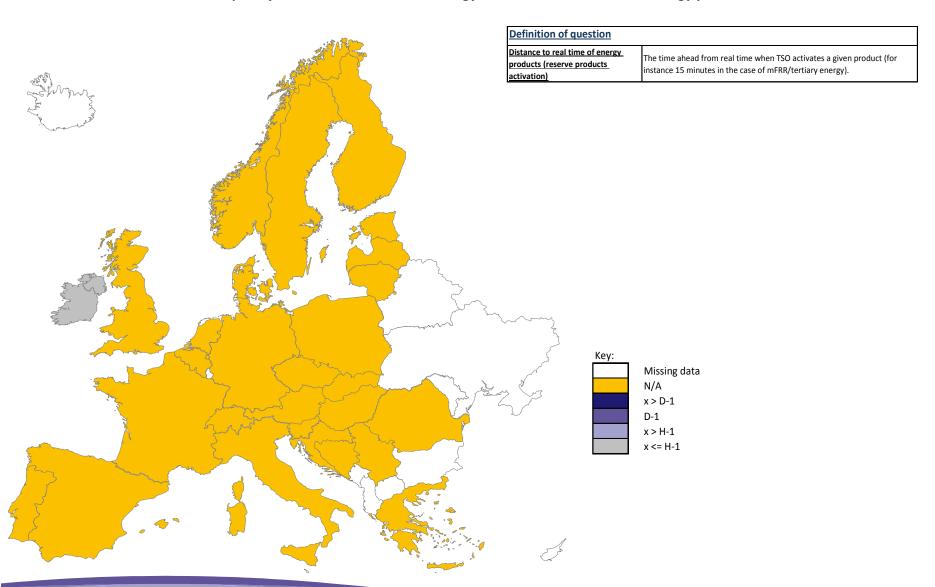


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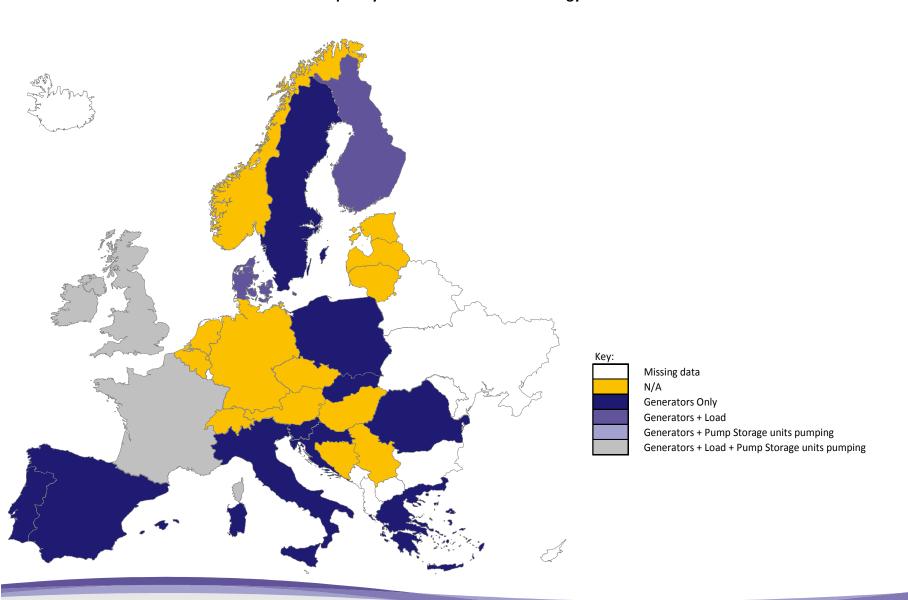


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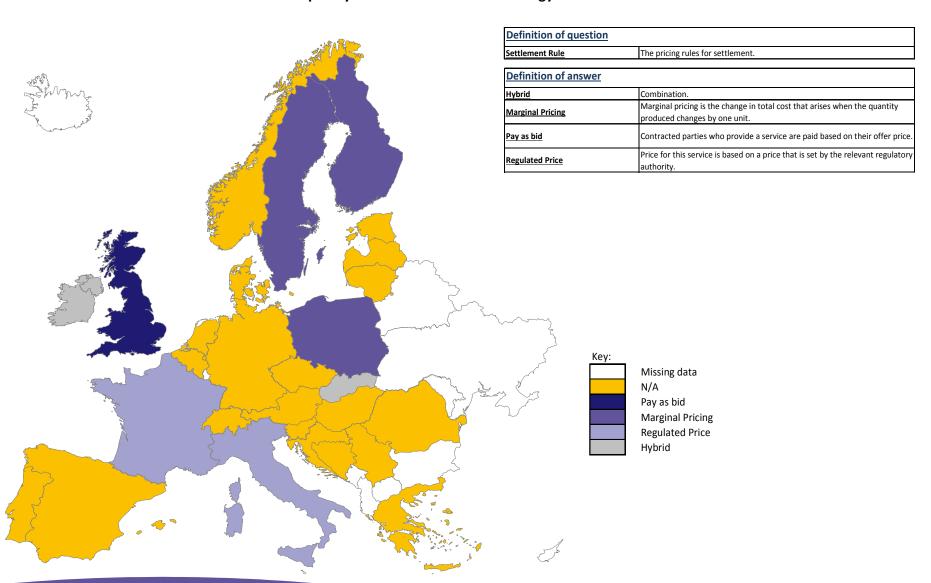


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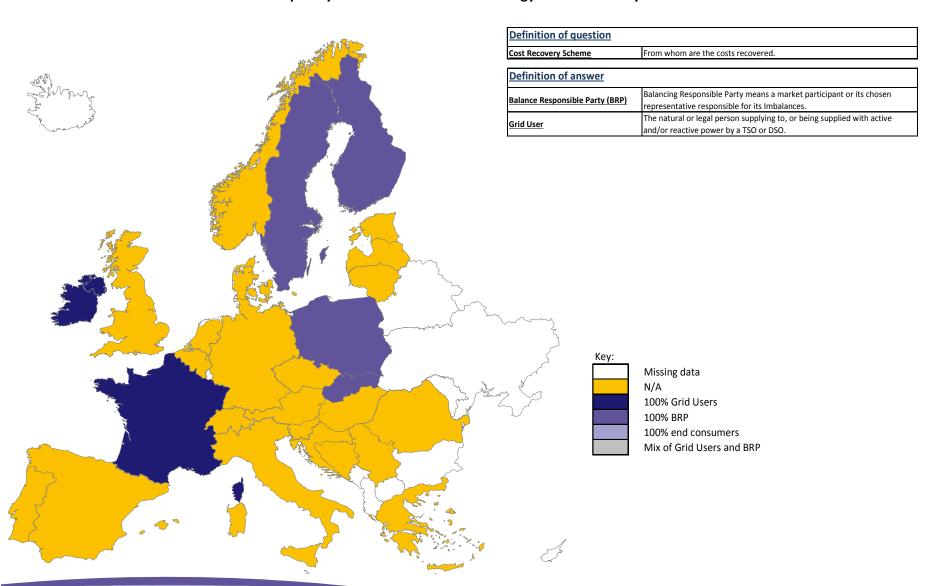


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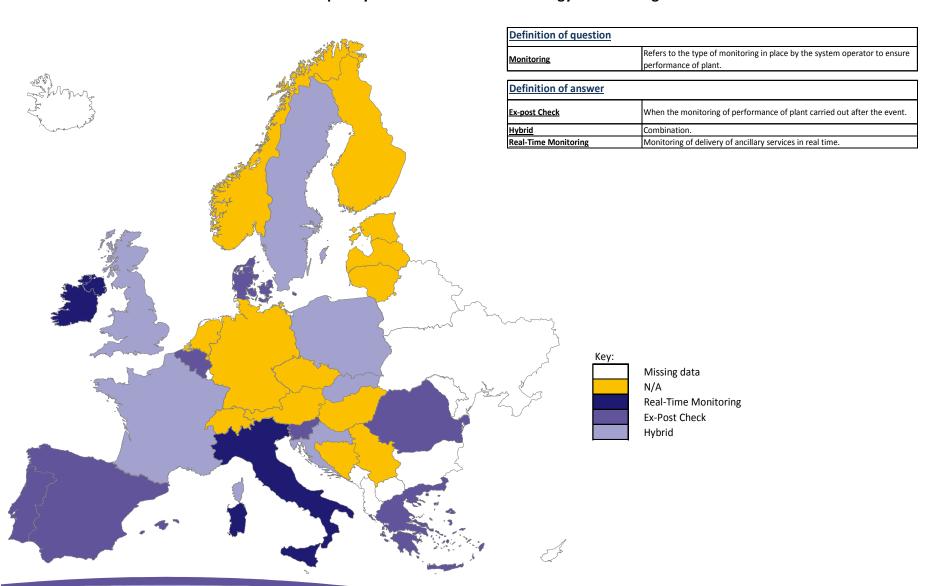


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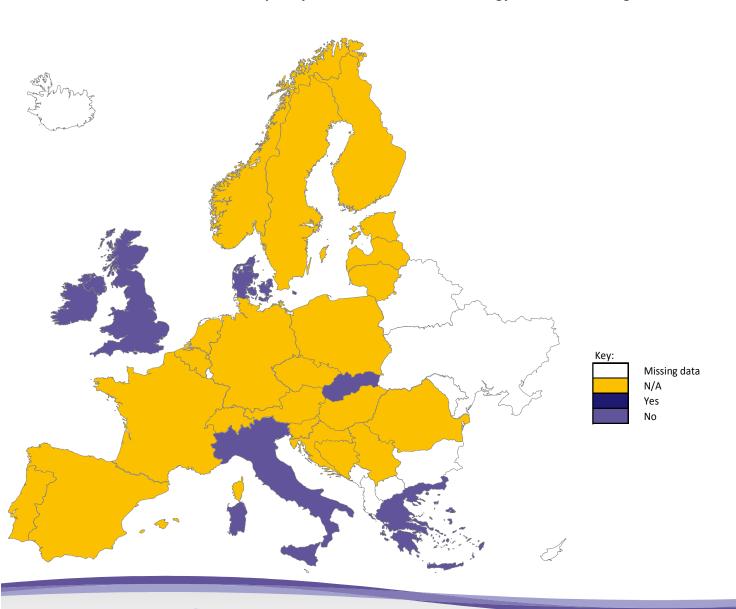


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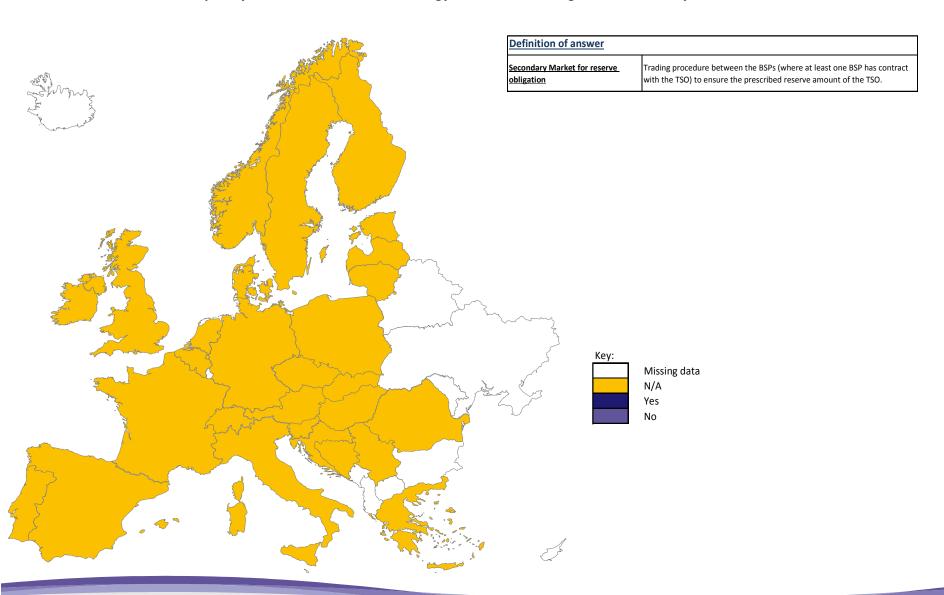


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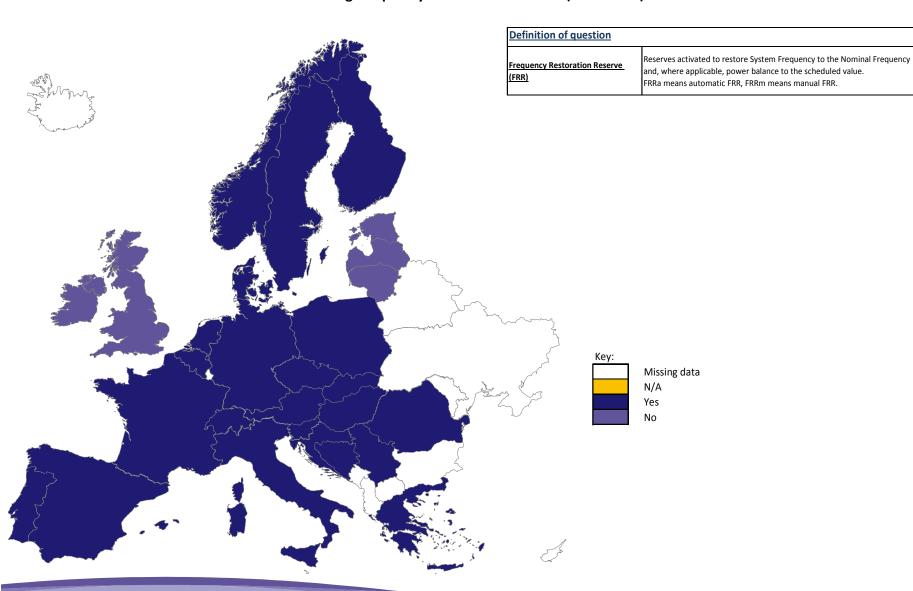


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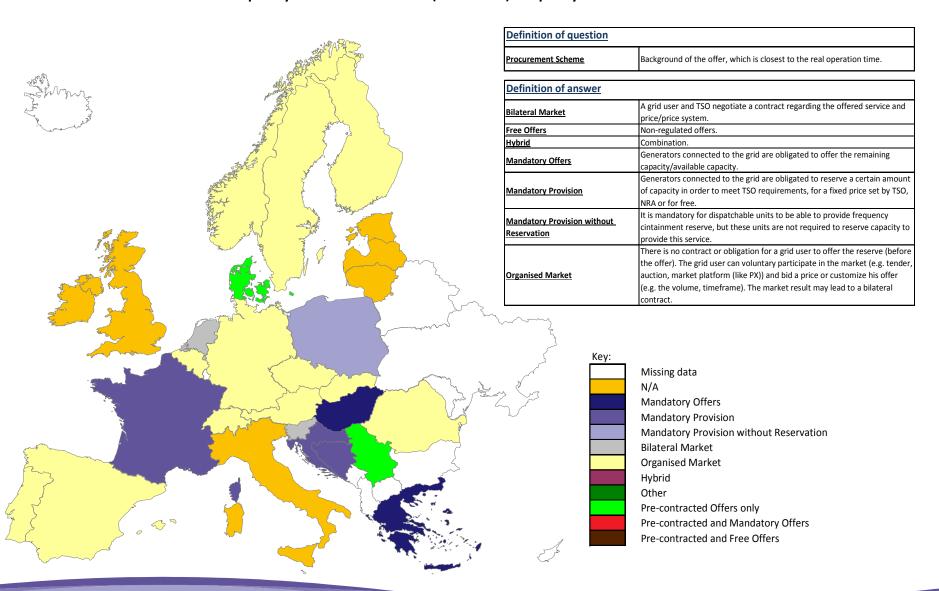


Using Frequency Restoration Reserve (Automatic)



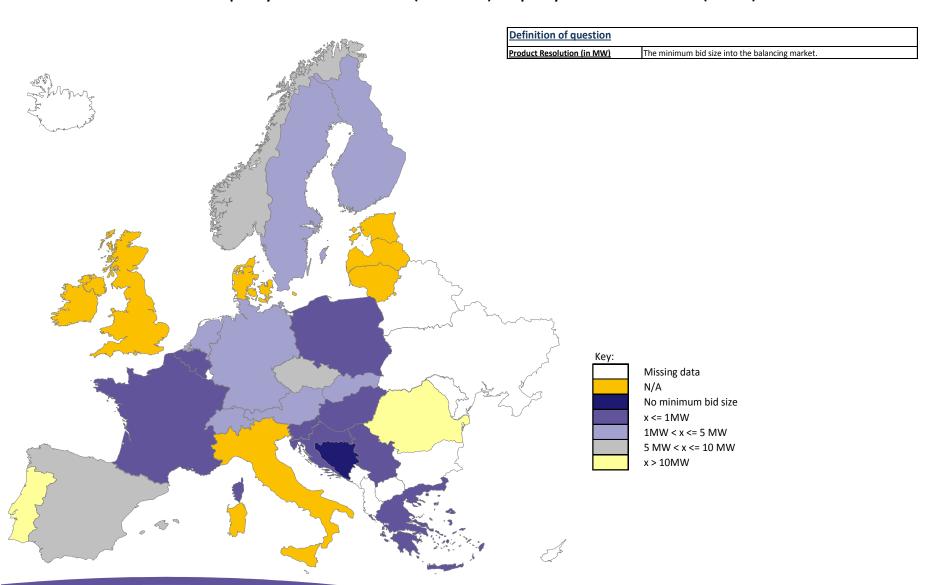


Frequency Restoration Reserve (Automatic) - Capacity - Procurement Scheme



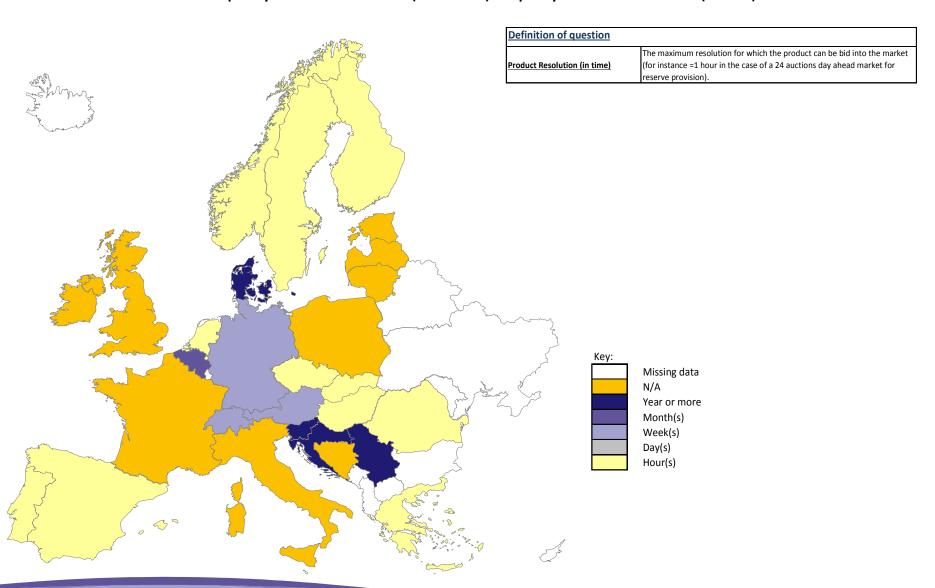


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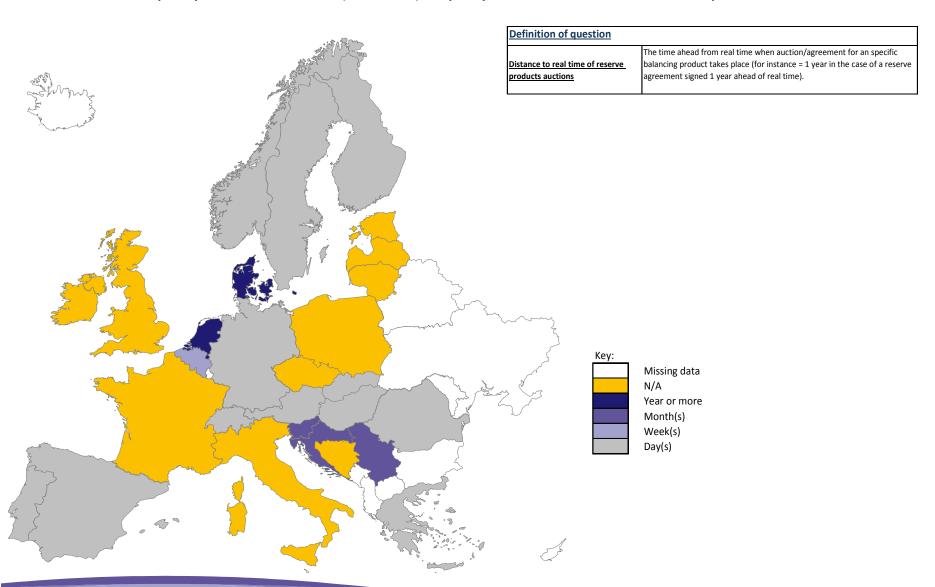


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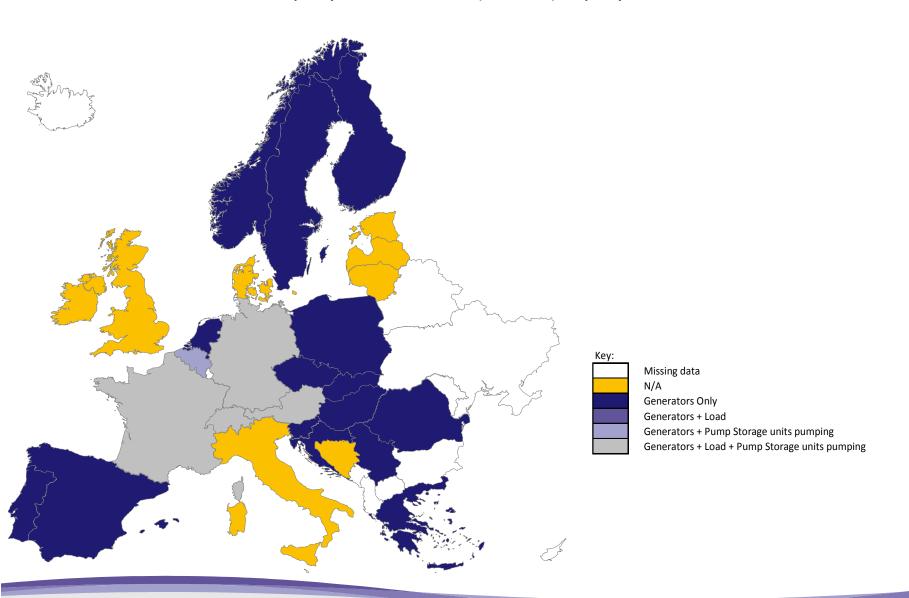


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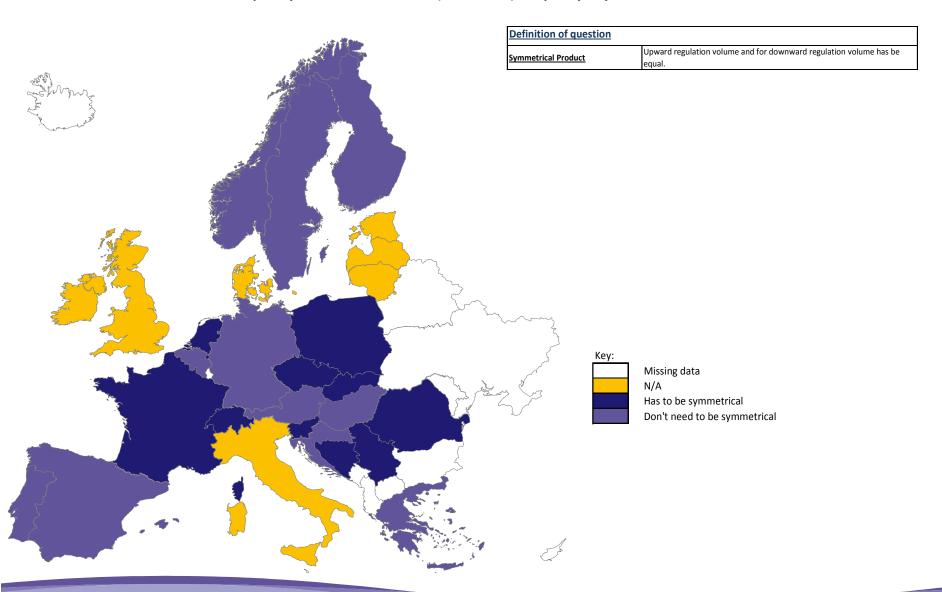


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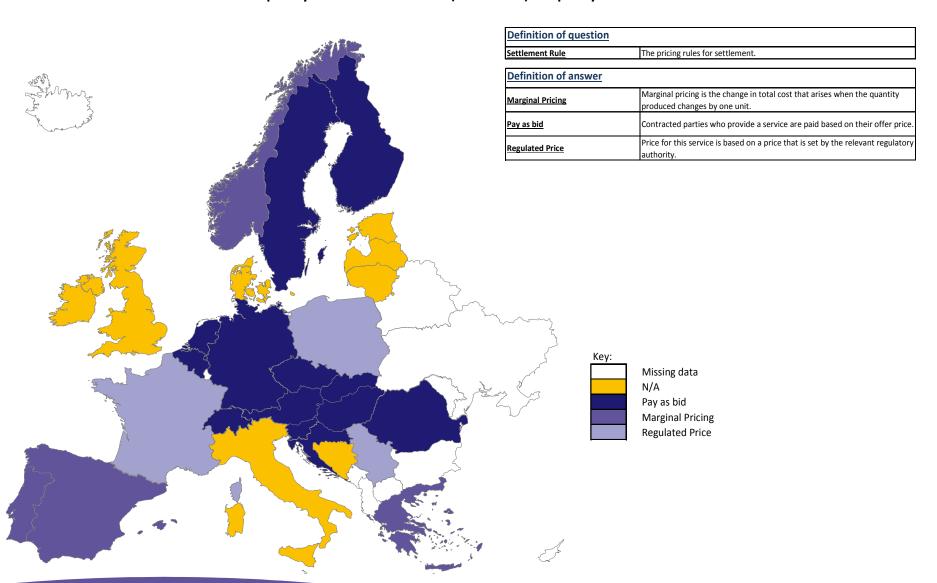


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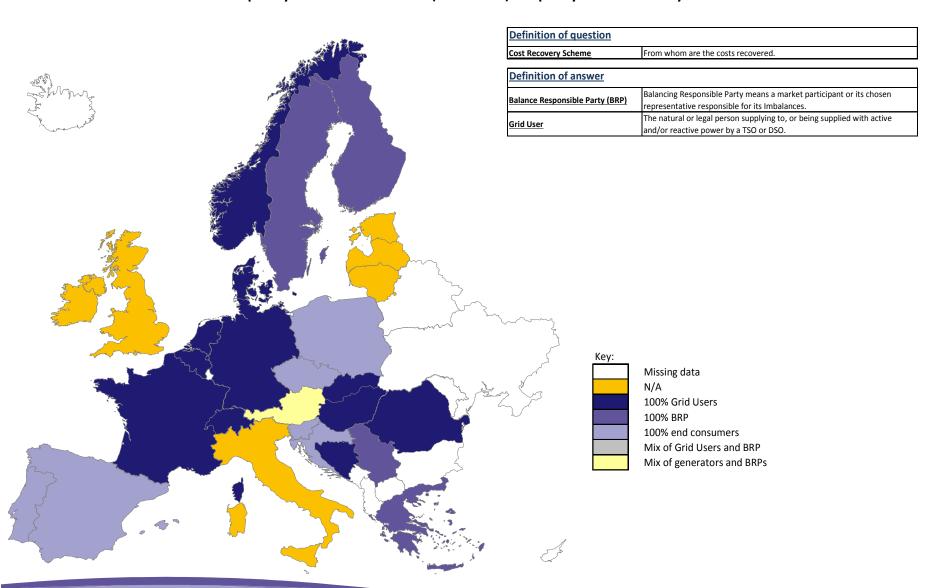


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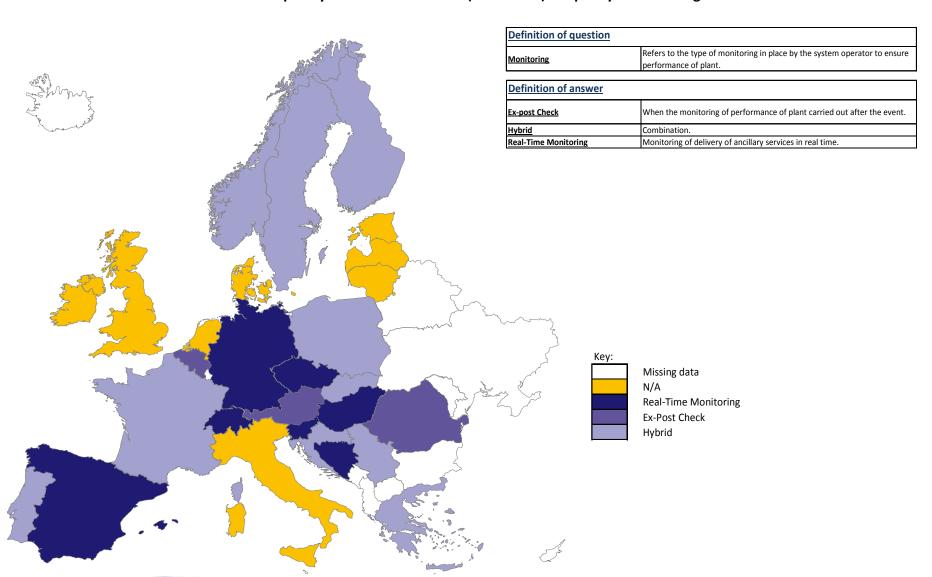


Frequency Restoration Reserve (Automatic) - Capacity - Cost Recovery Scheme



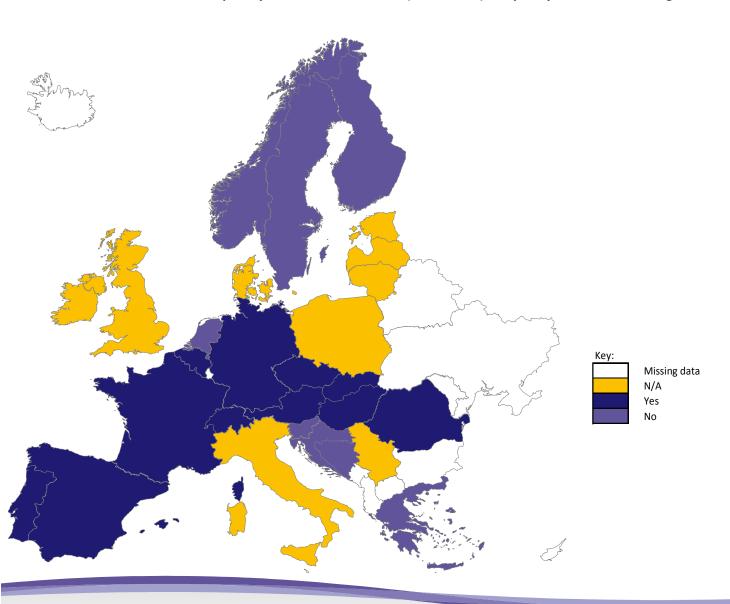


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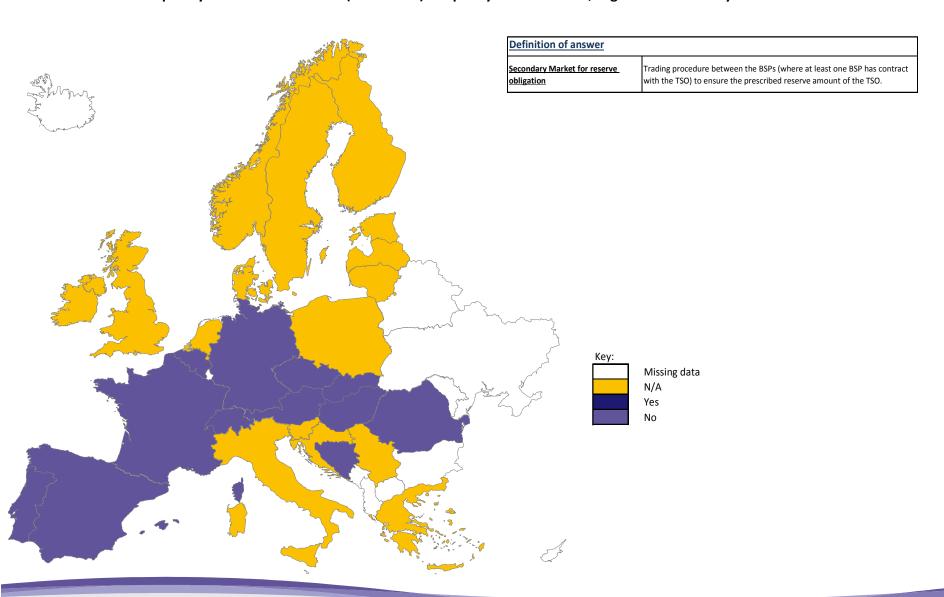


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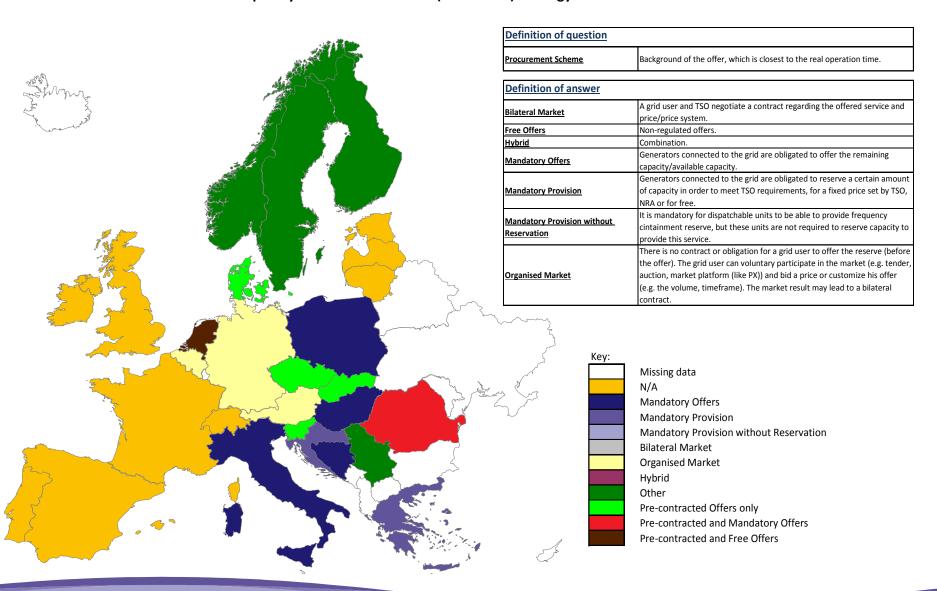


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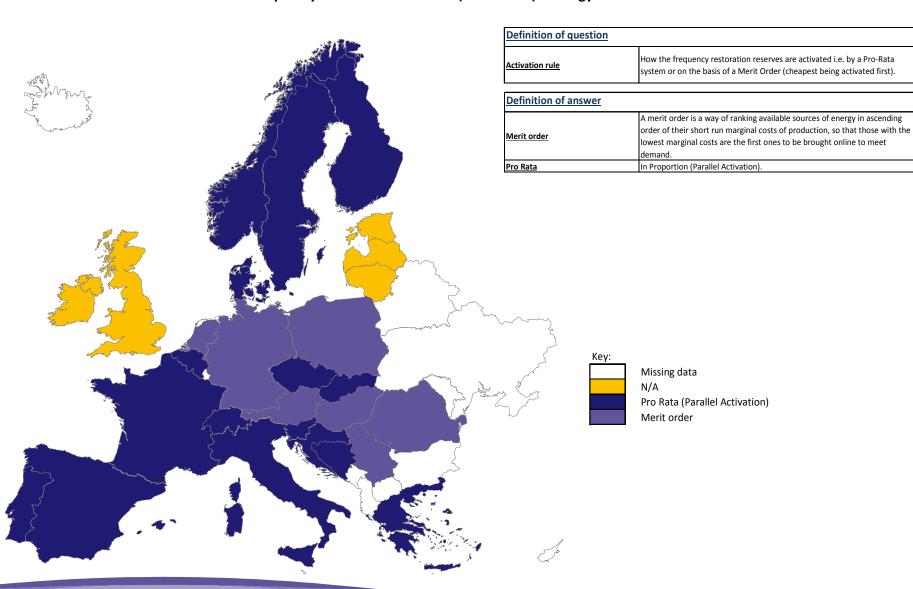


Frequency Restoration Reserve (Automatic) - Energy - Procurement Scheme



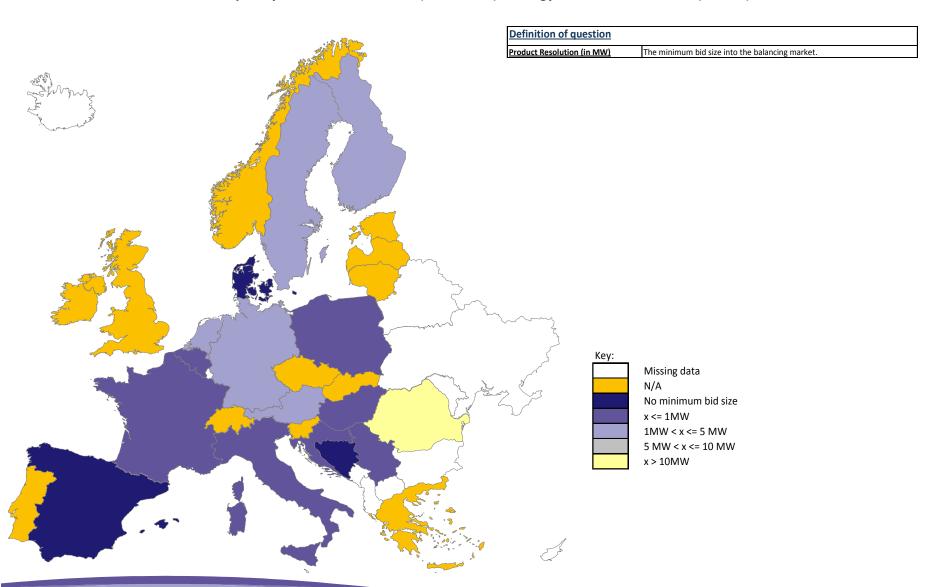


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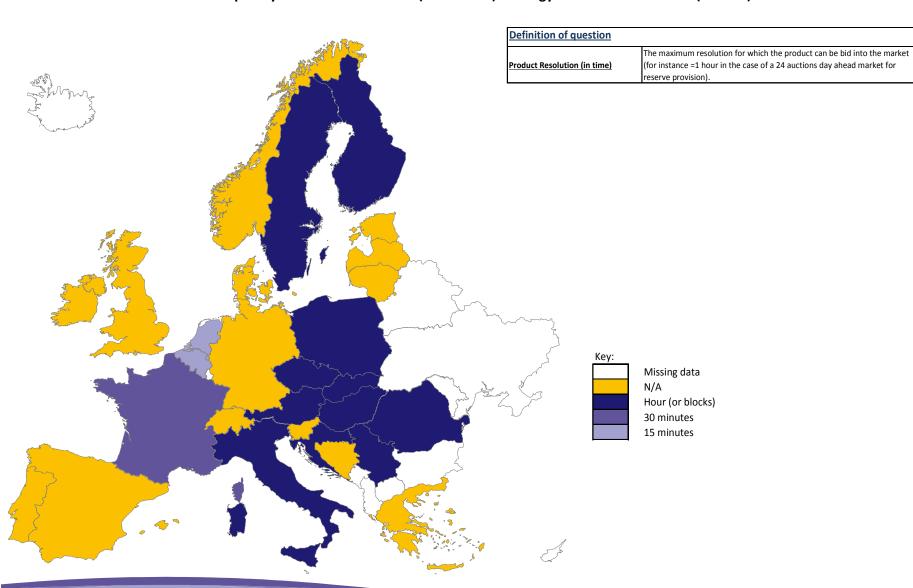


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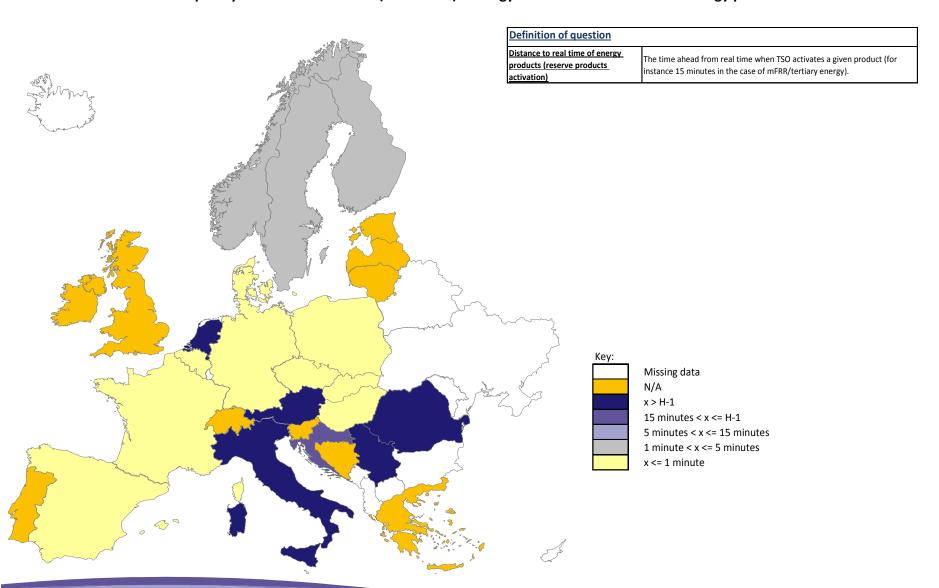


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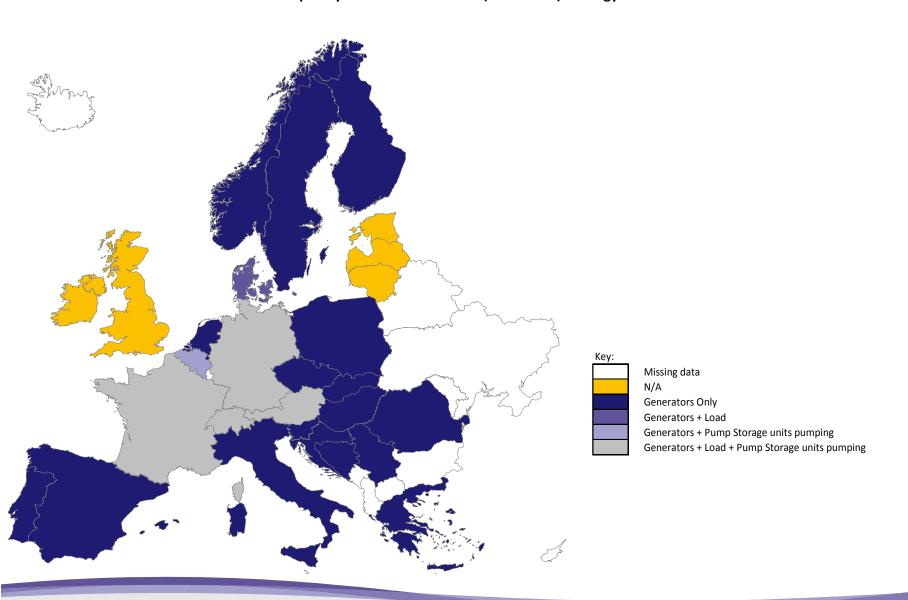


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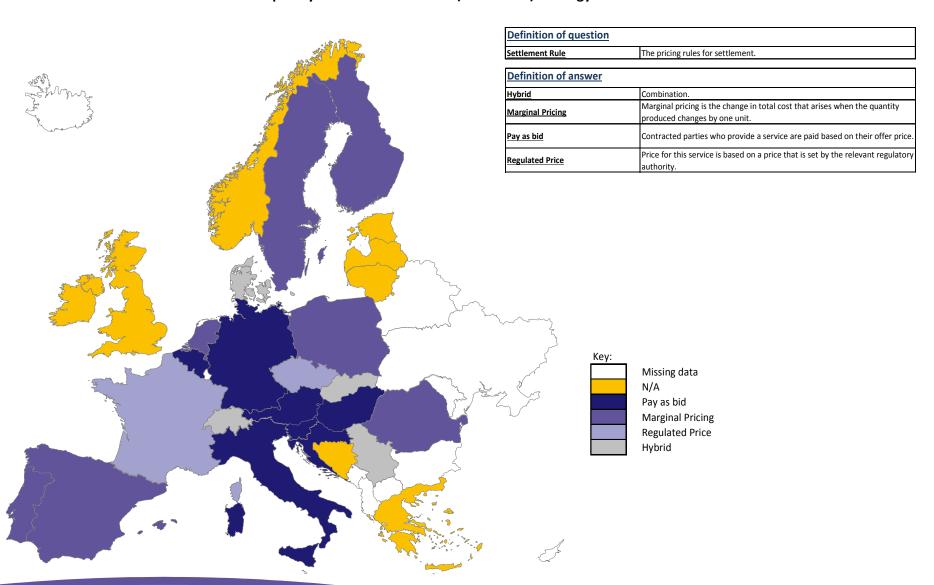


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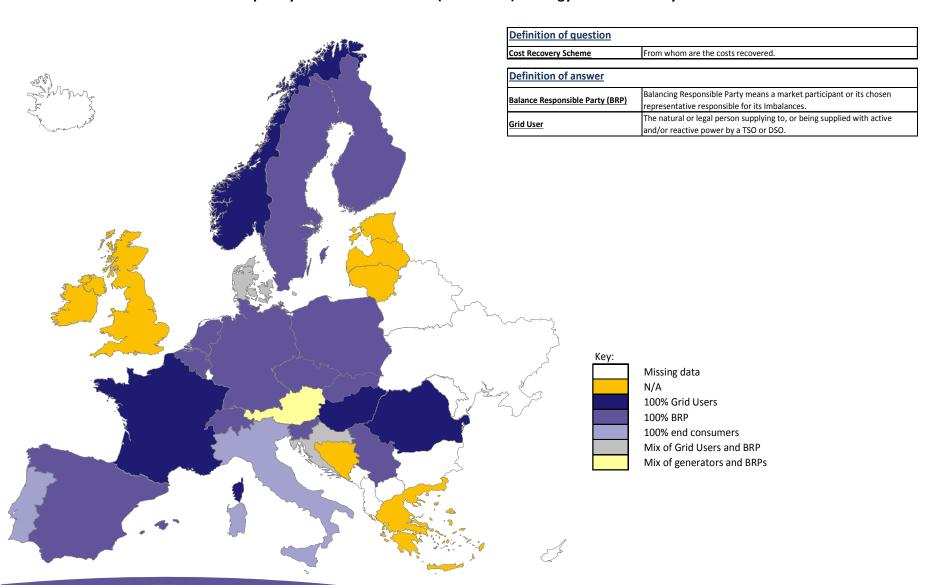


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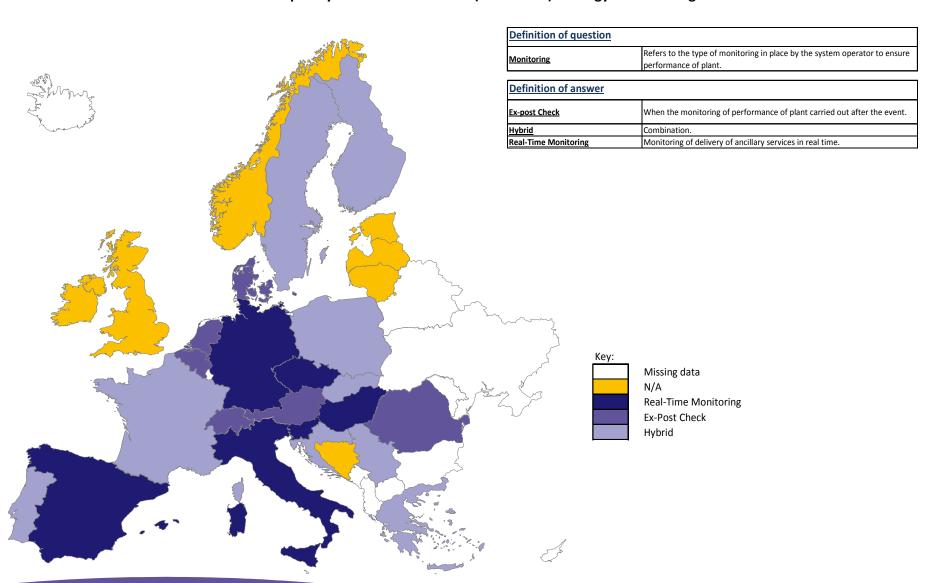


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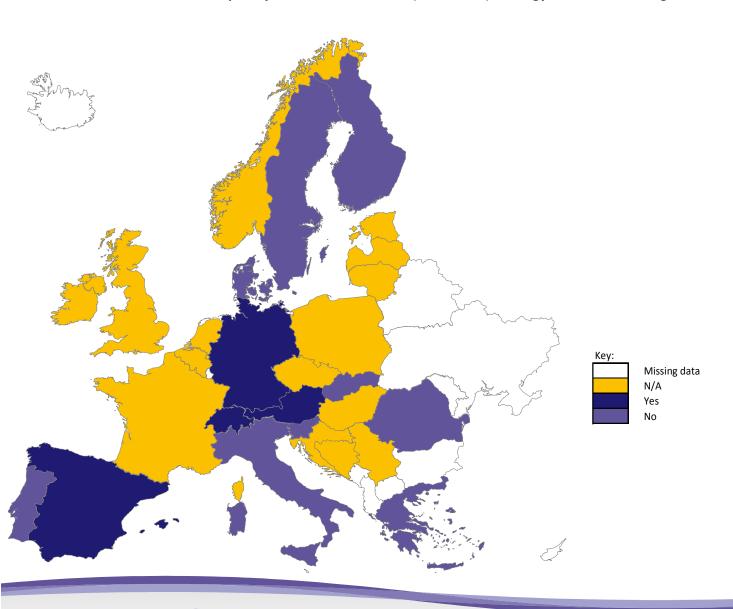


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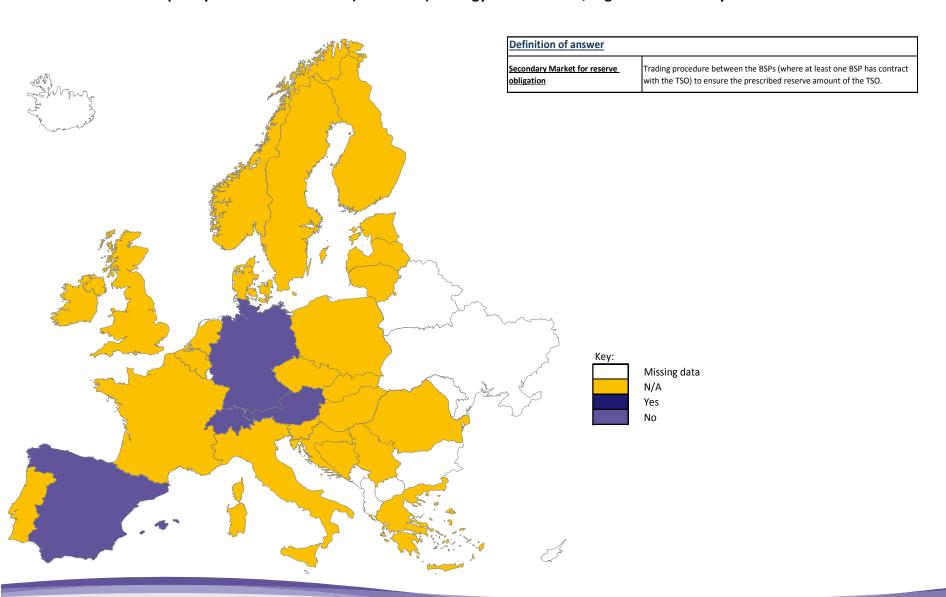


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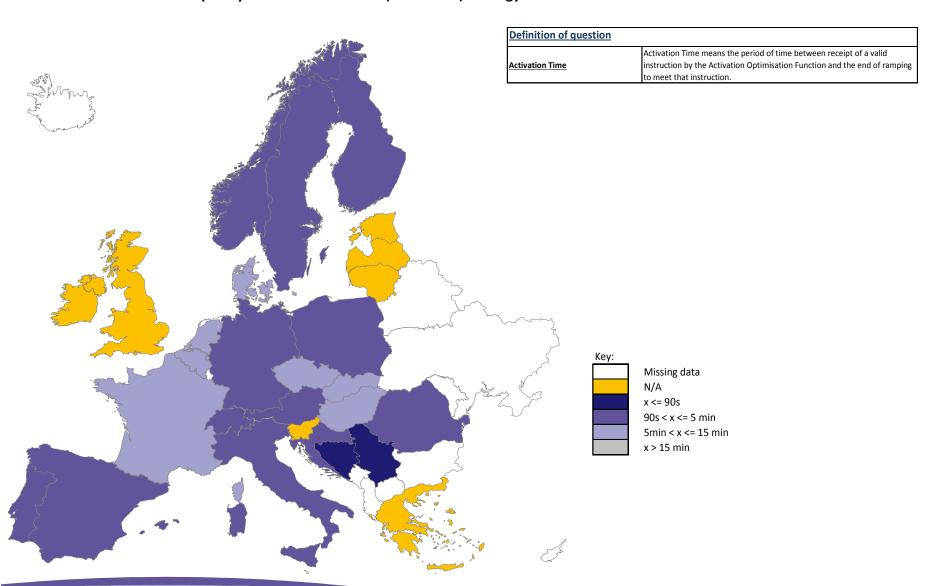


Frequency Restoration Reserve (Automatic) - Energy - Obl. allowed, organised secondary market exists



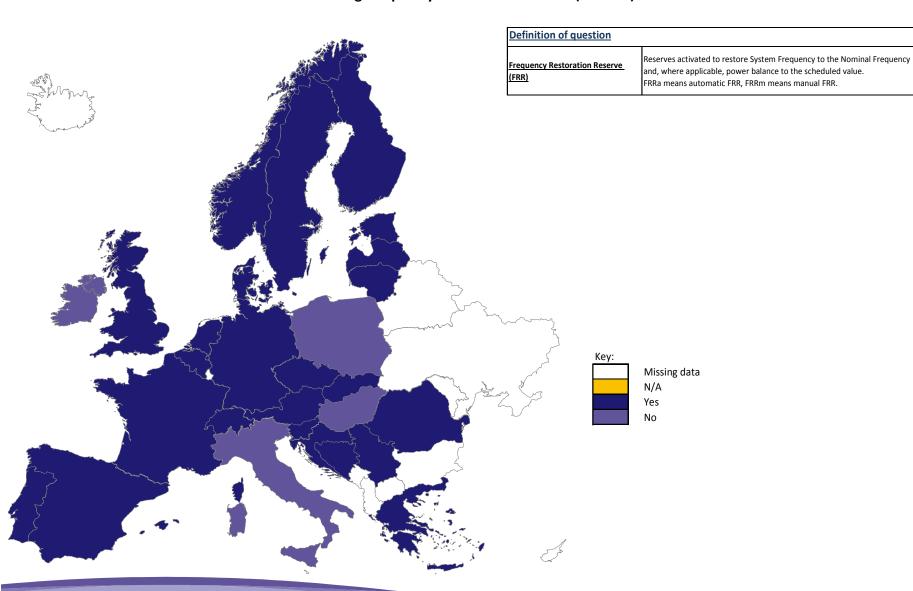


Frequency Restoration Reserve (Automatic) - Energy - Activation time of FRRa from 0 to max



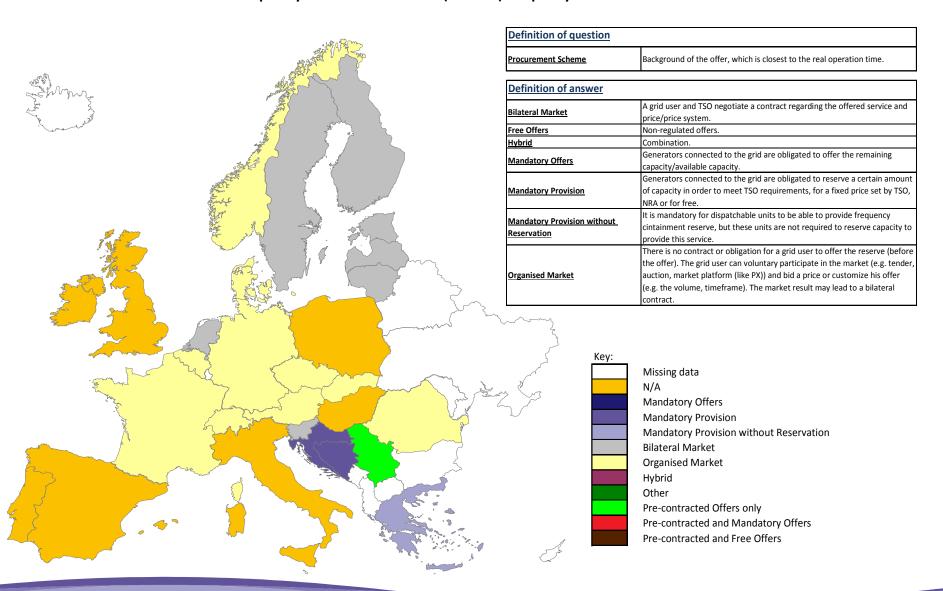


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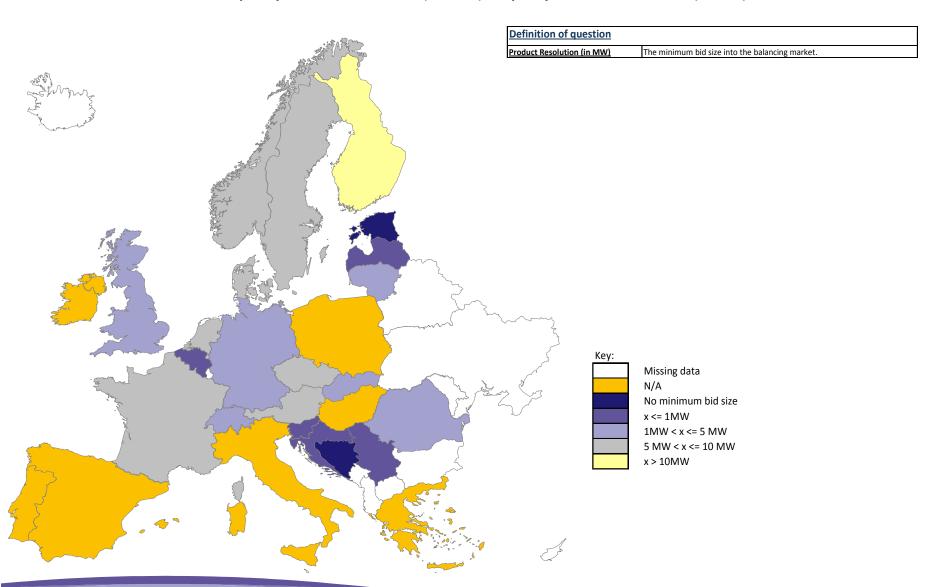


Frequency Restoration Reserve (Manual) - Capacity - Procurement Scheme



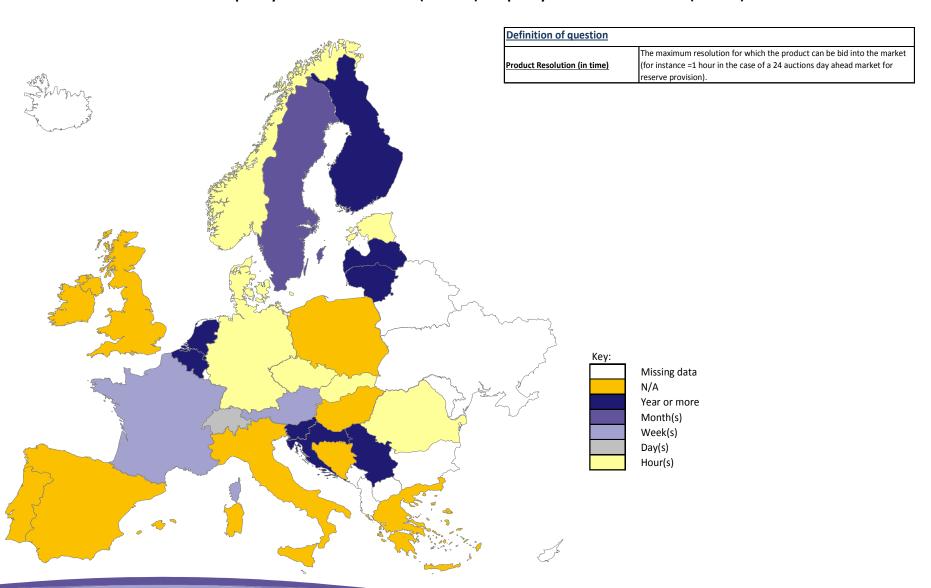


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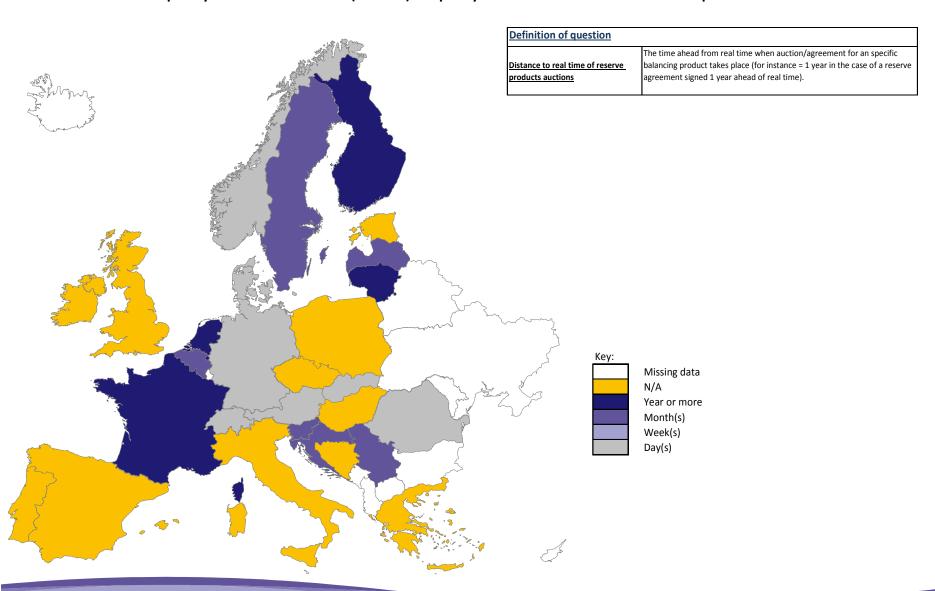


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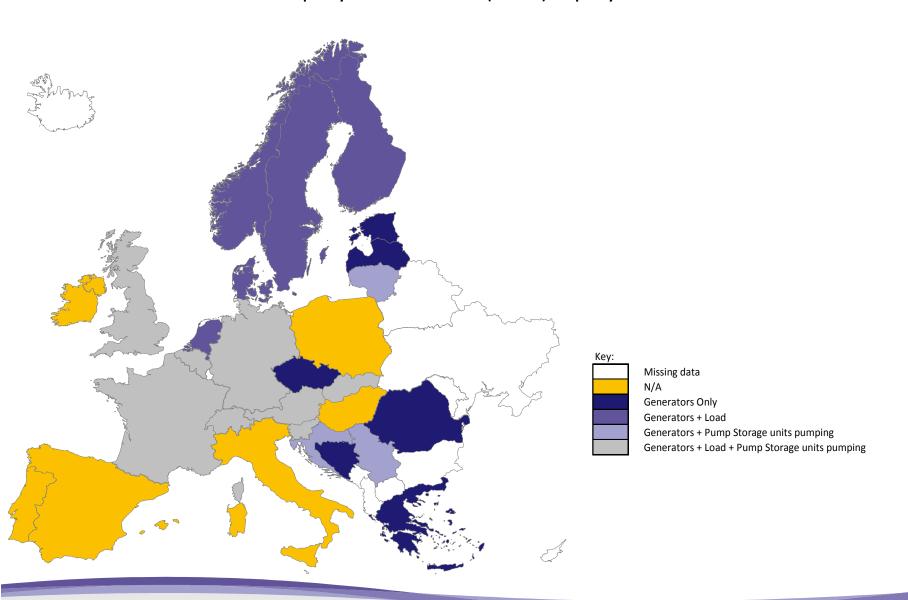


Frequency Restoration Reserve (Manual) - Capacity - Distance to real time of reserve products auctions



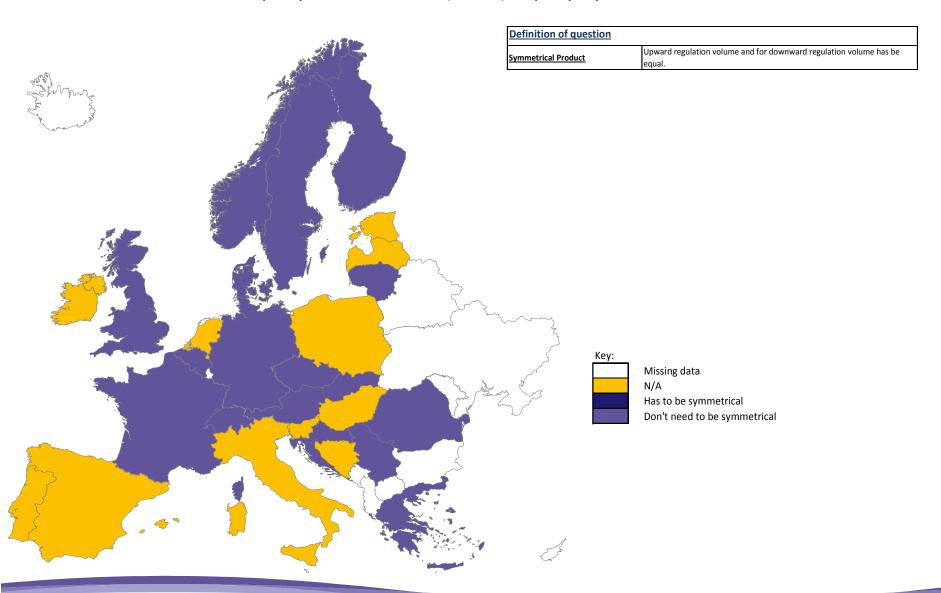


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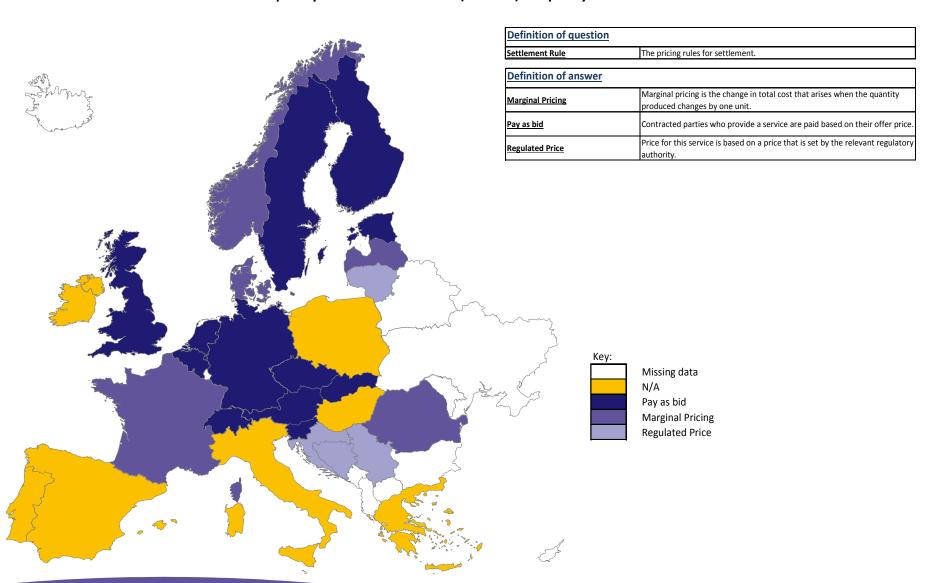


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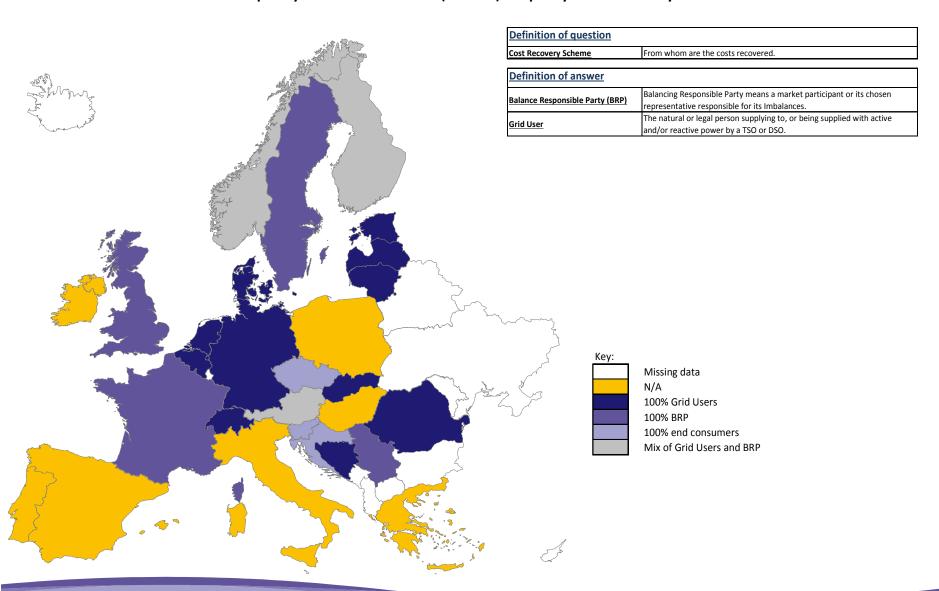


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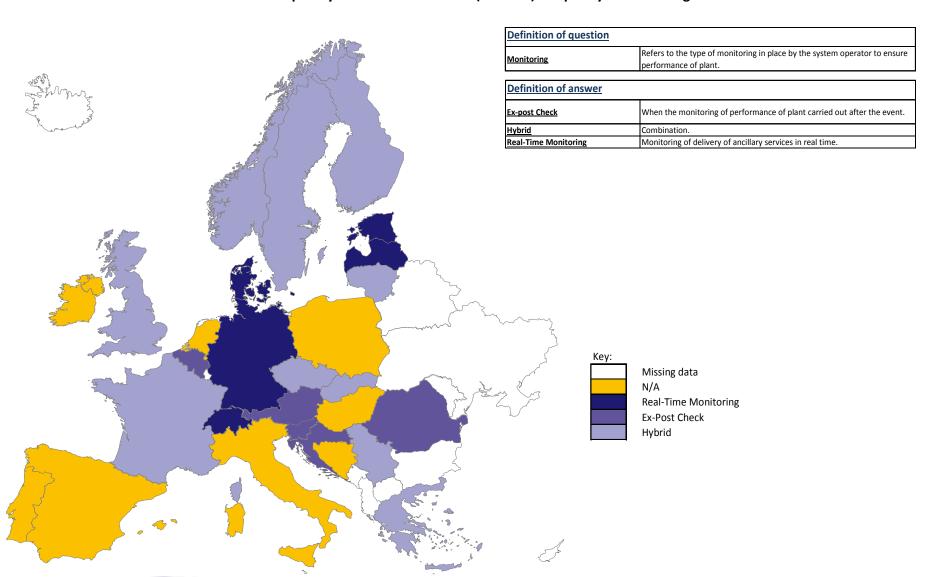


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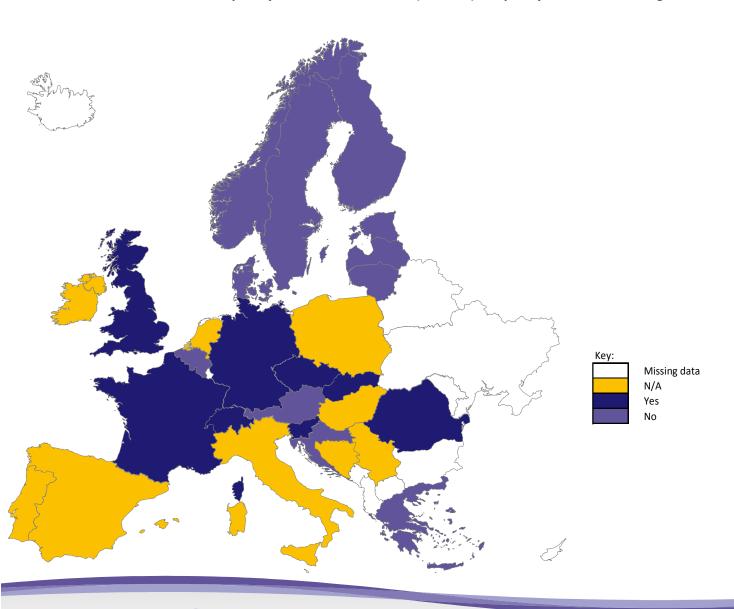


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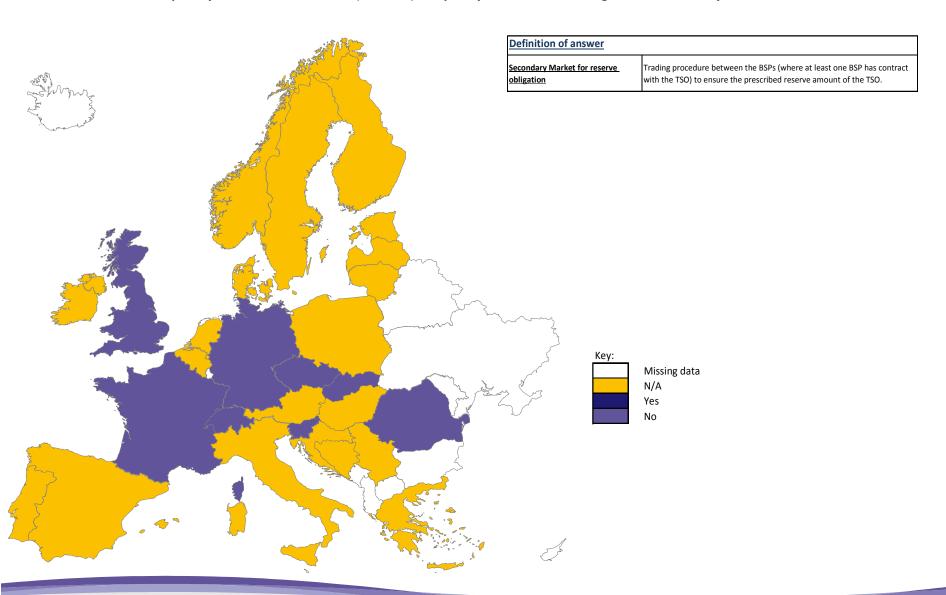


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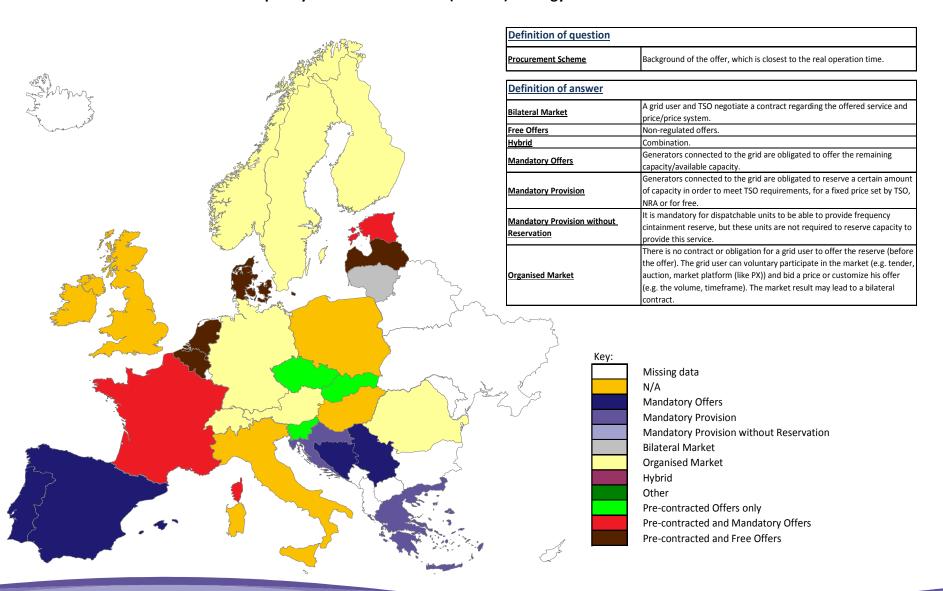


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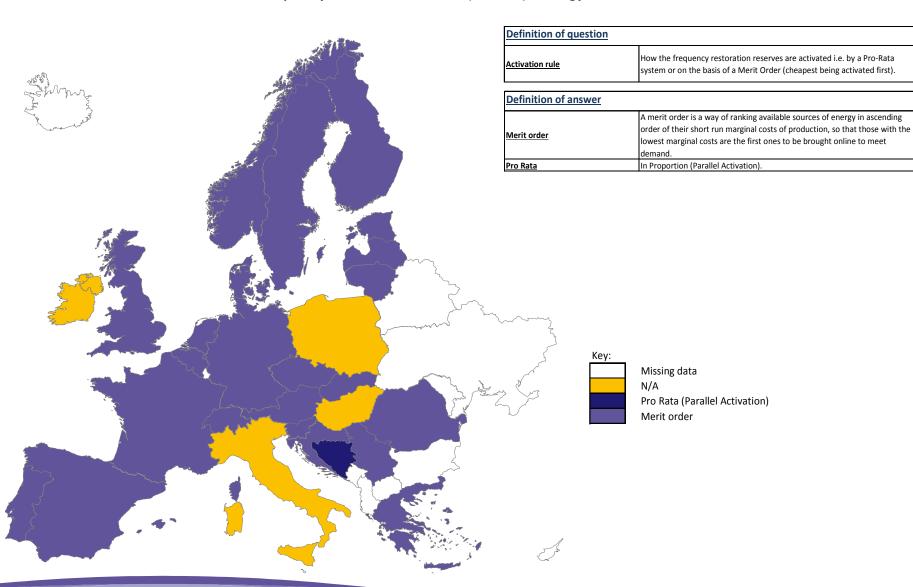


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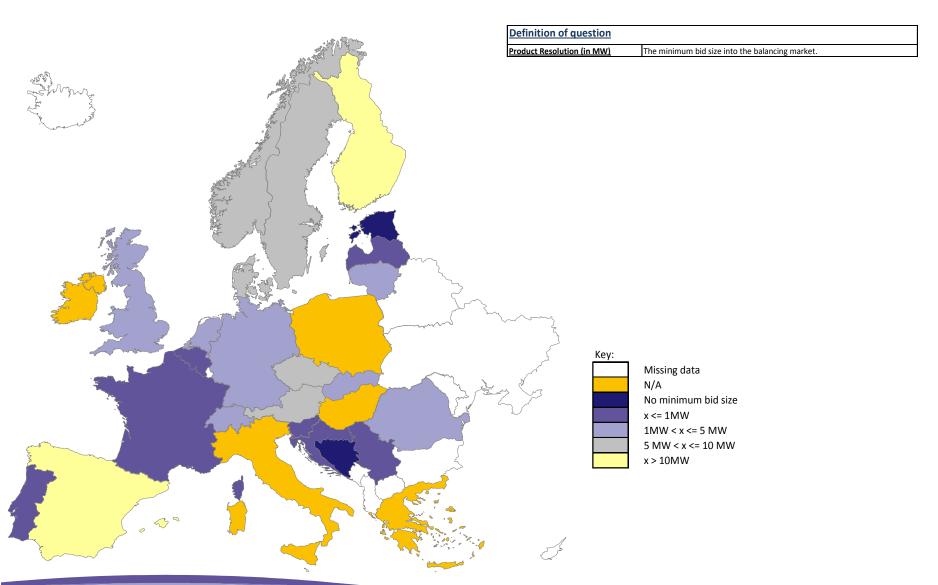


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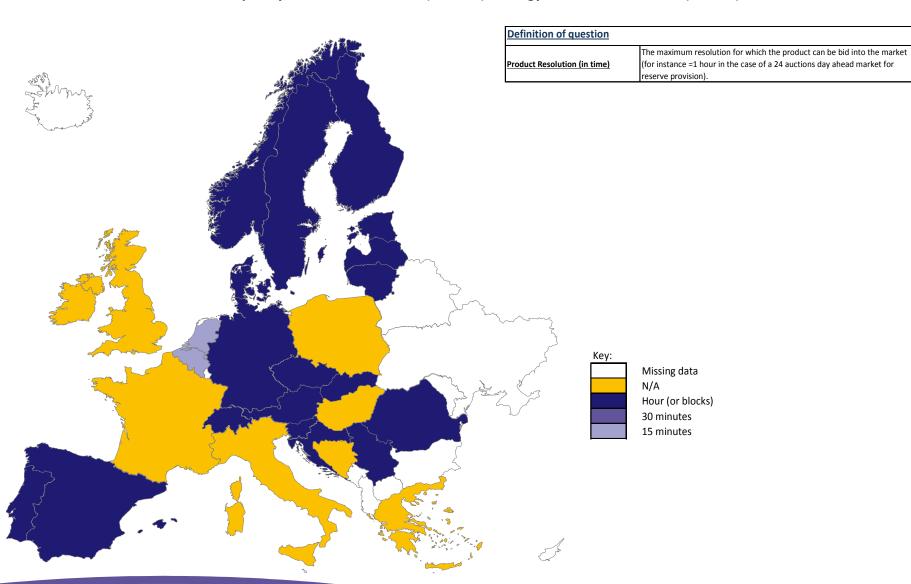


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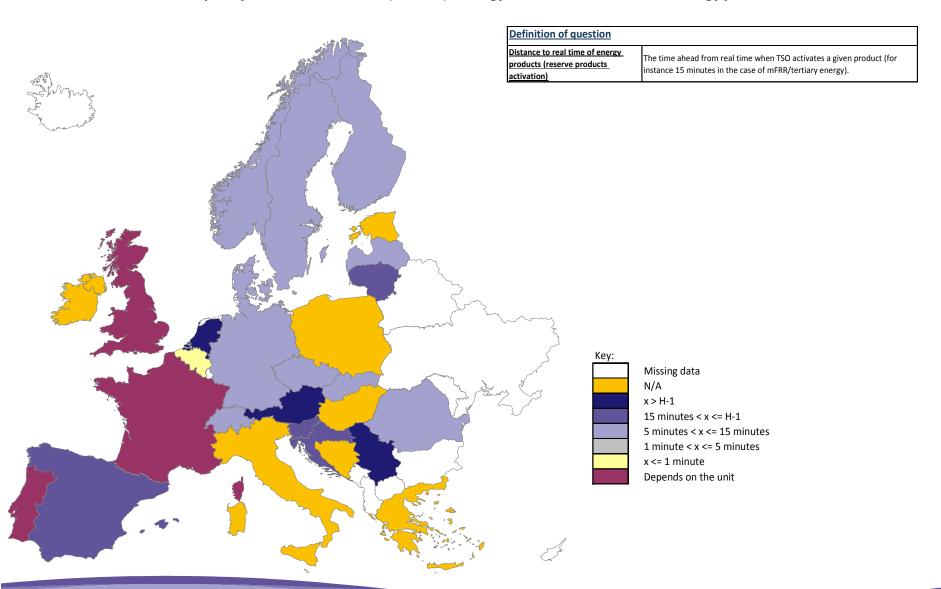


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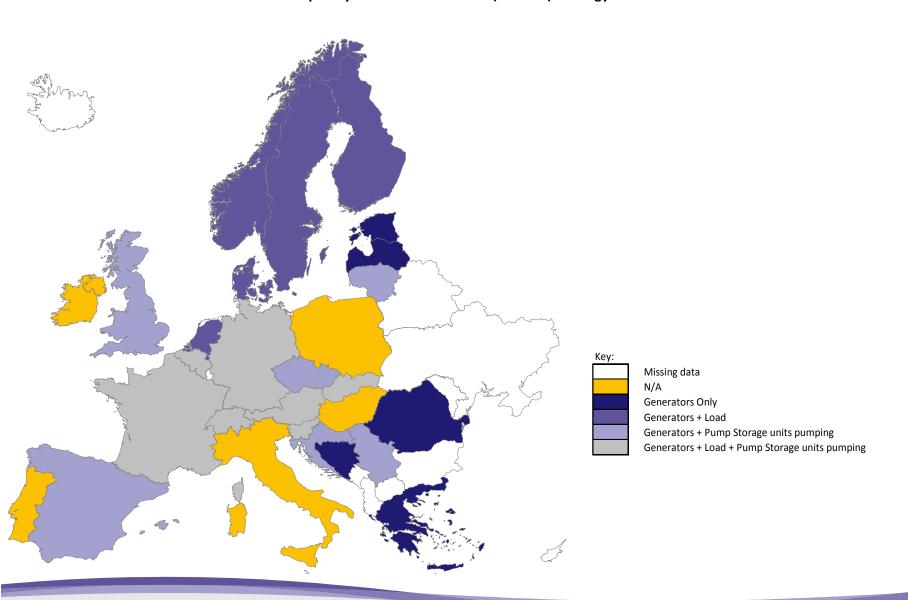


Frequency Restoration Reserve (Manual) - Energy - Distance to real time of energy products



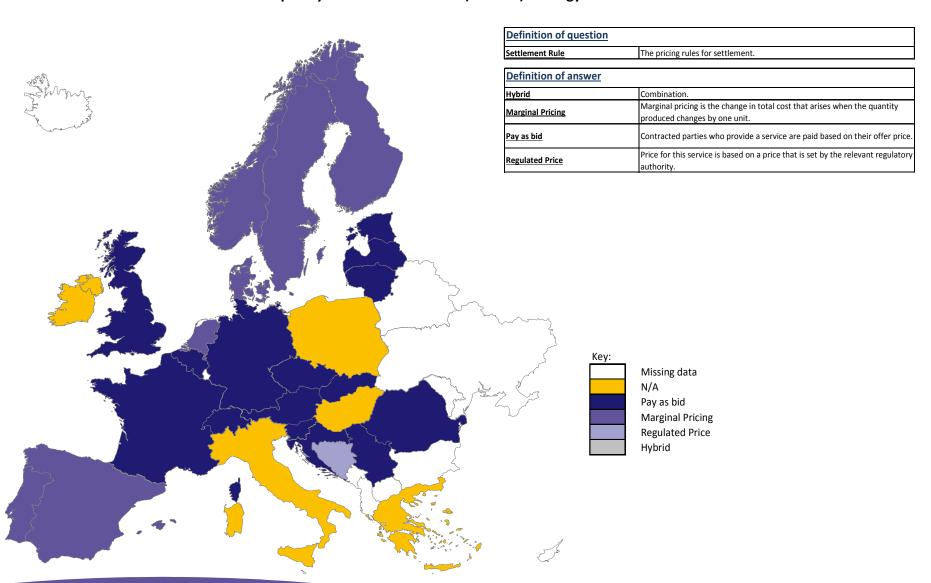


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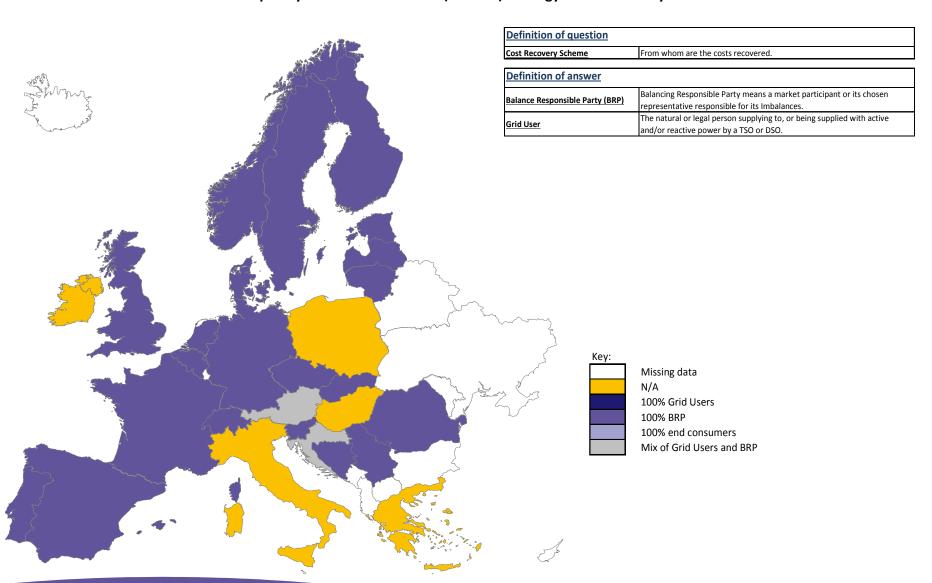


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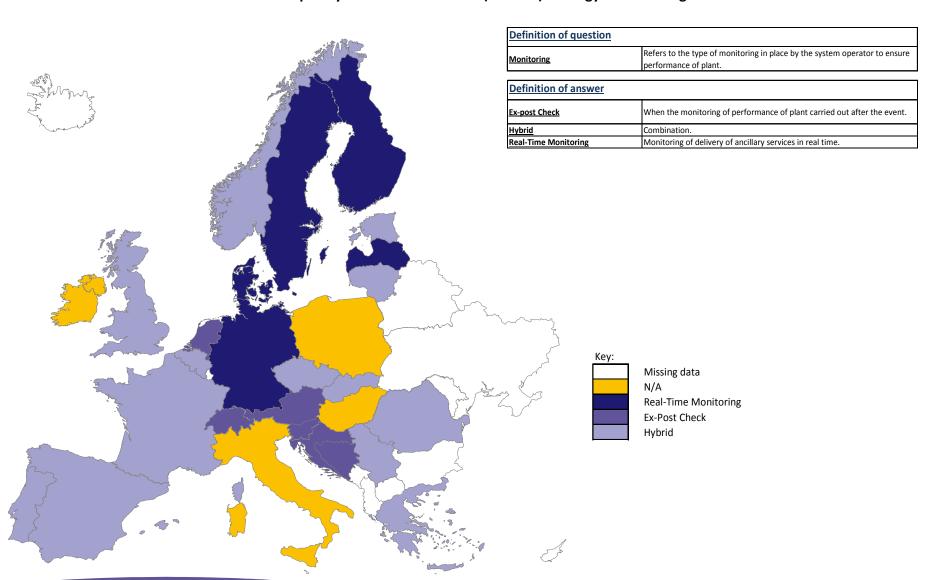


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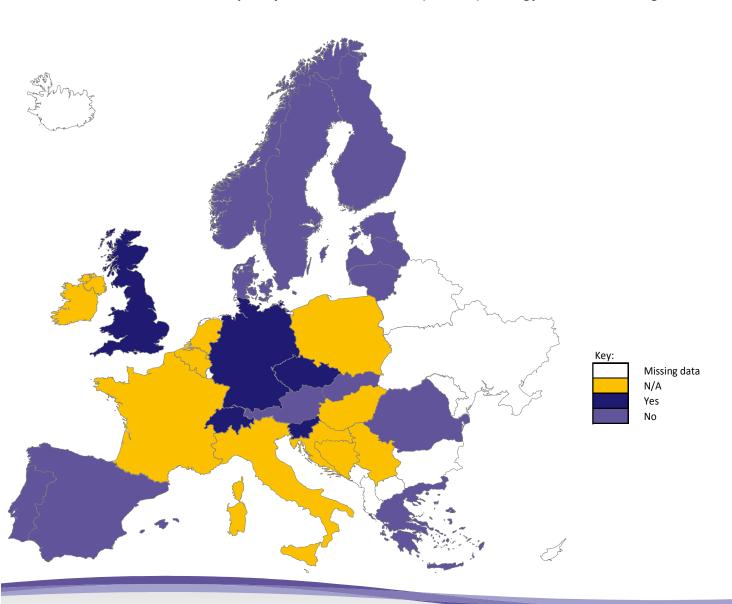


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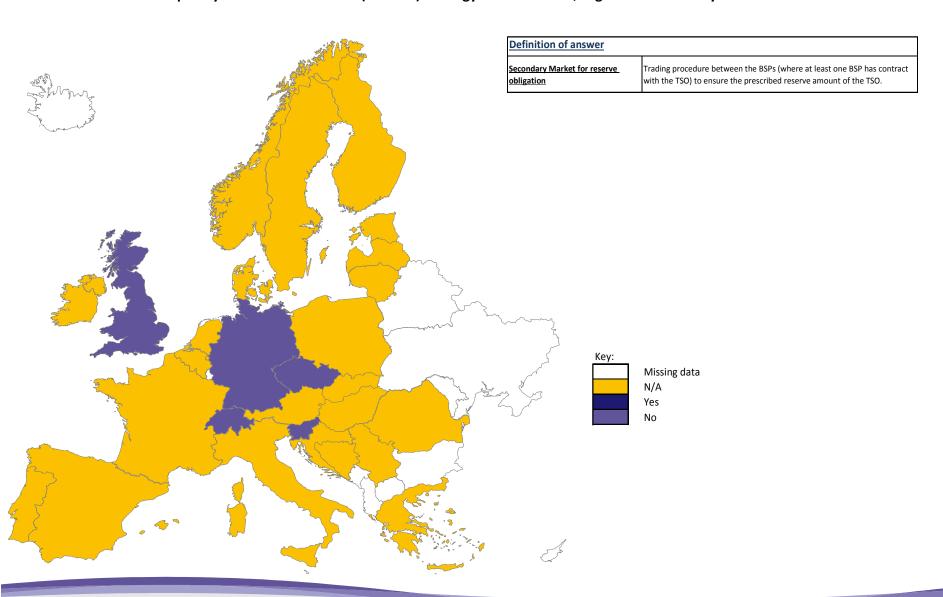


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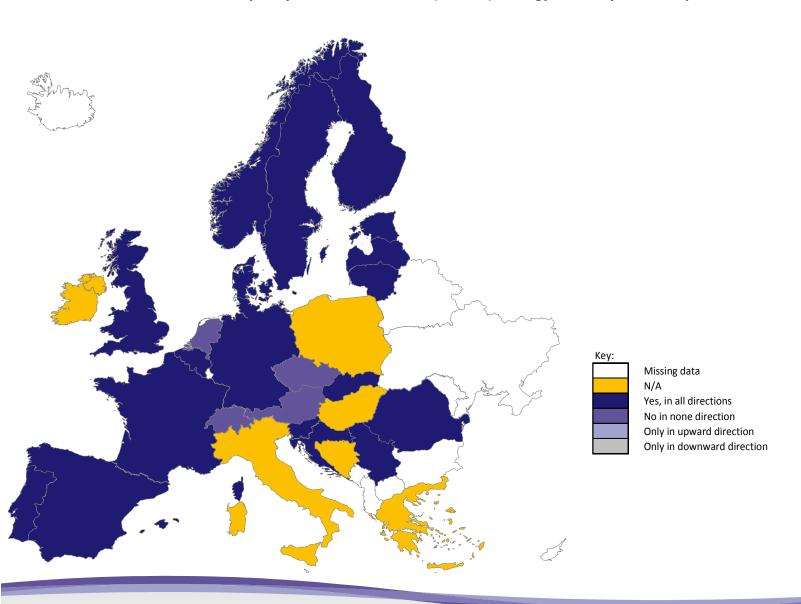


Frequency Restoration Reserve (Manual) - Energy - Obl. allowed, organised secondary market exists



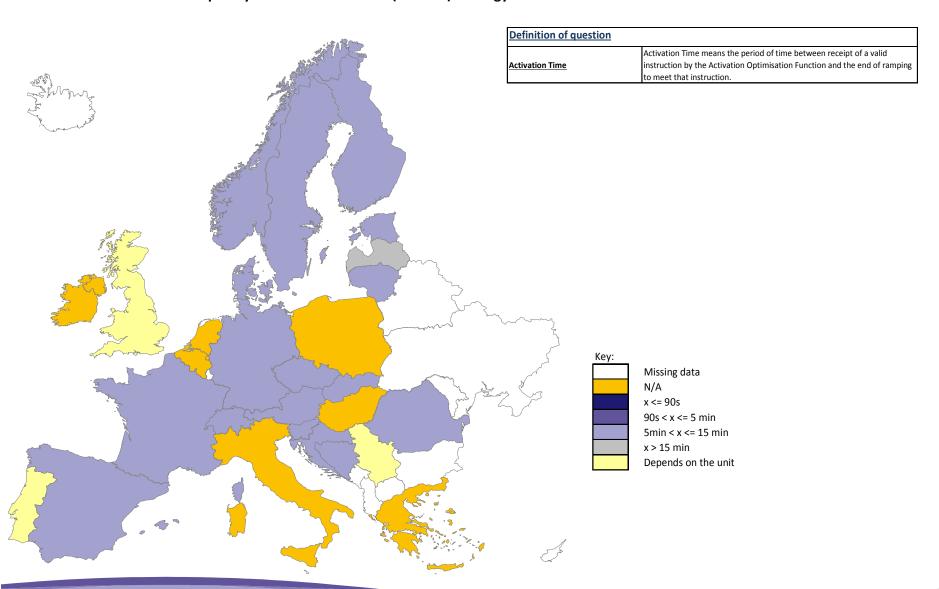


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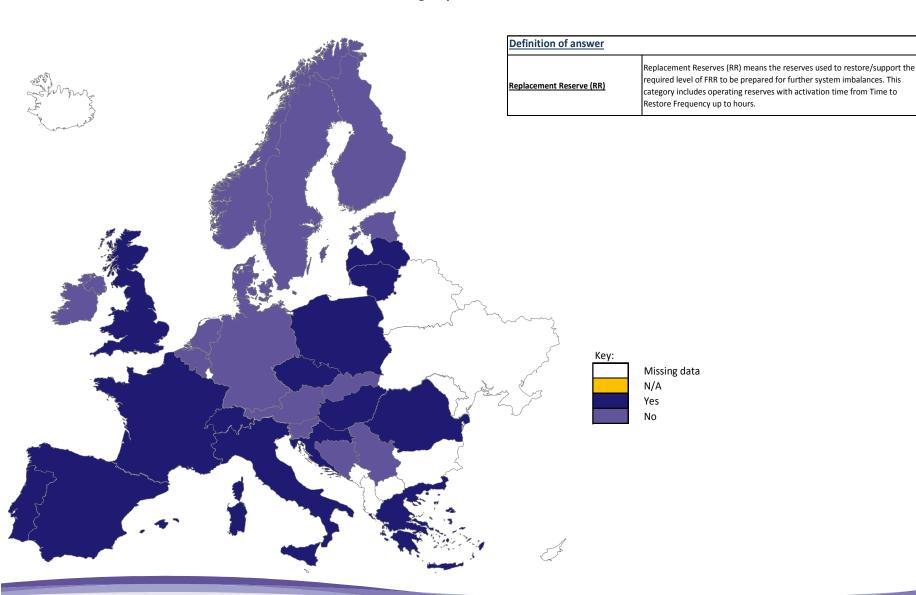


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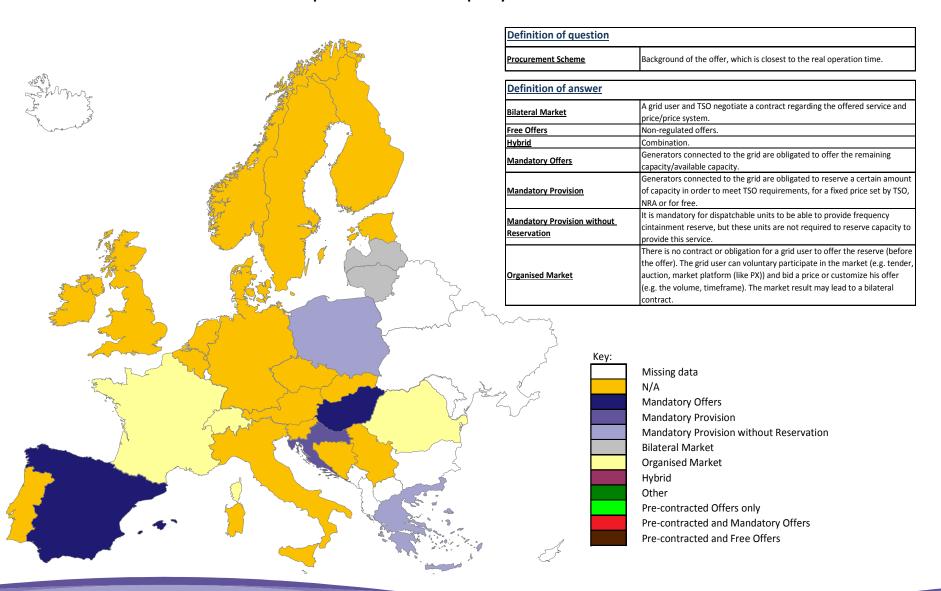


Using Replacement Reserve



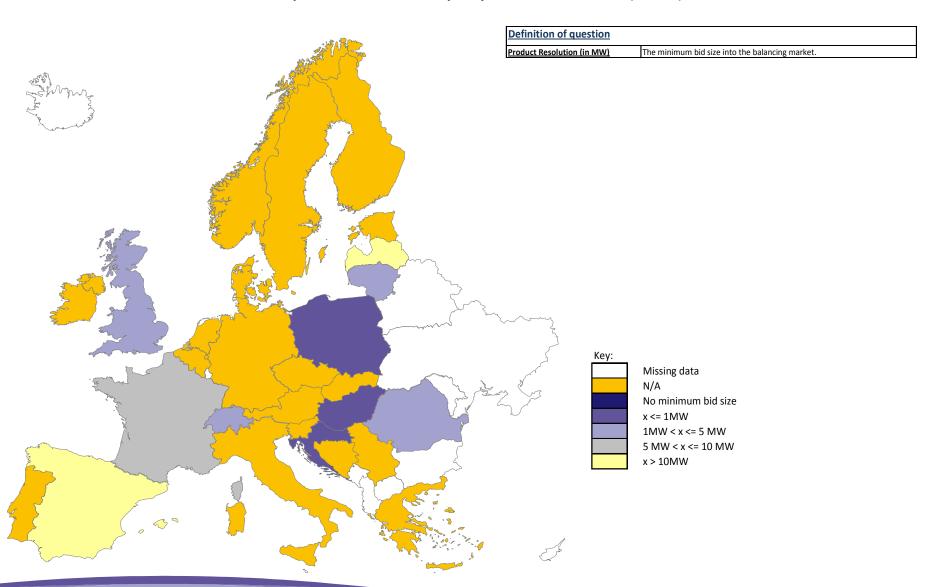


Replacement Reserve - Capacity - Procurement Scheme



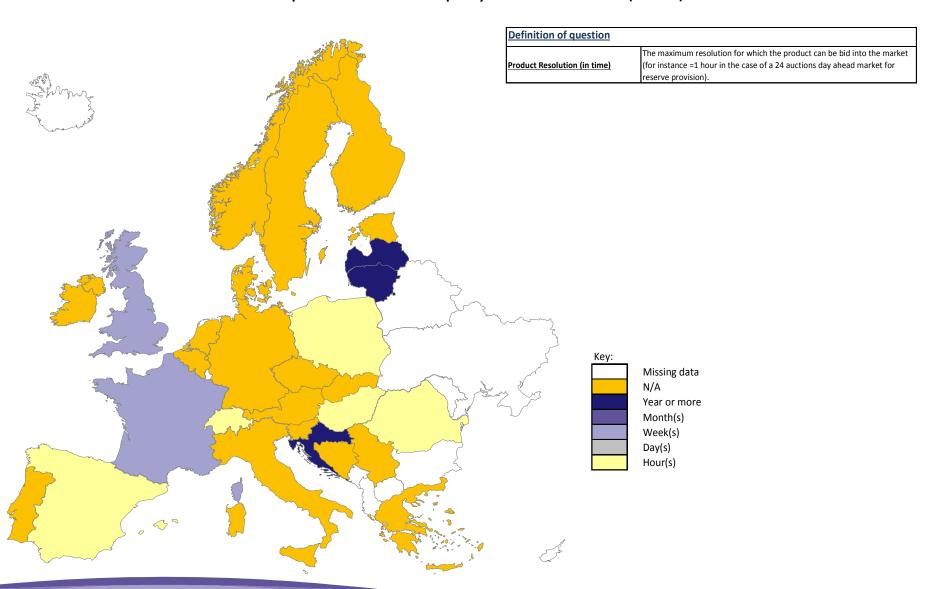


Replacement Reserve - Capacity - Product Resolution (in MW)



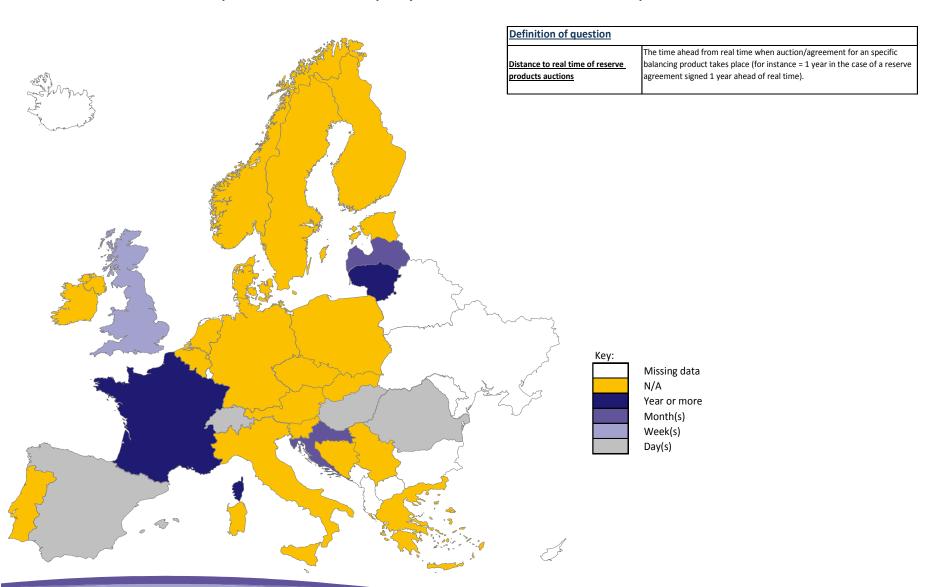


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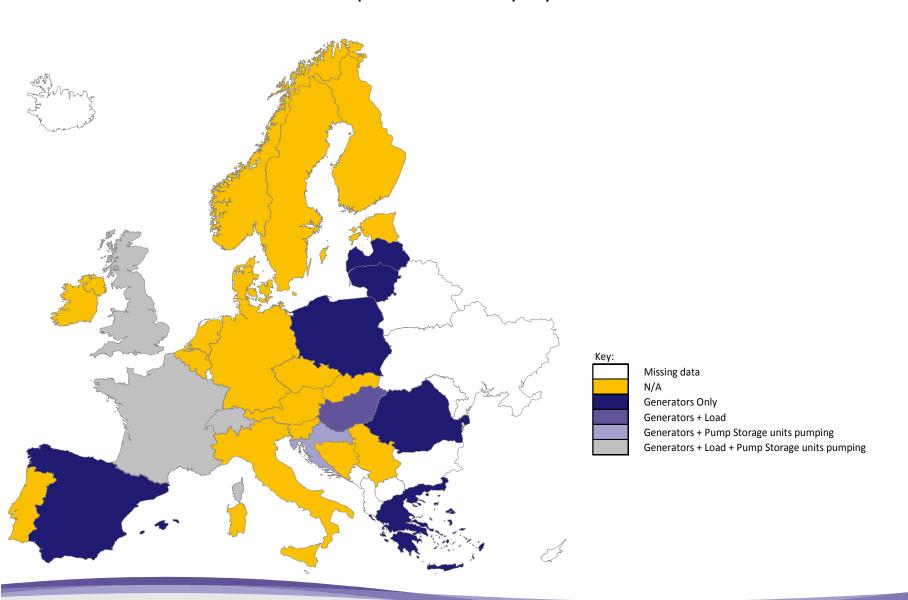


Replacement Reserve - Capacity - Distance to real time of reserve products auctions



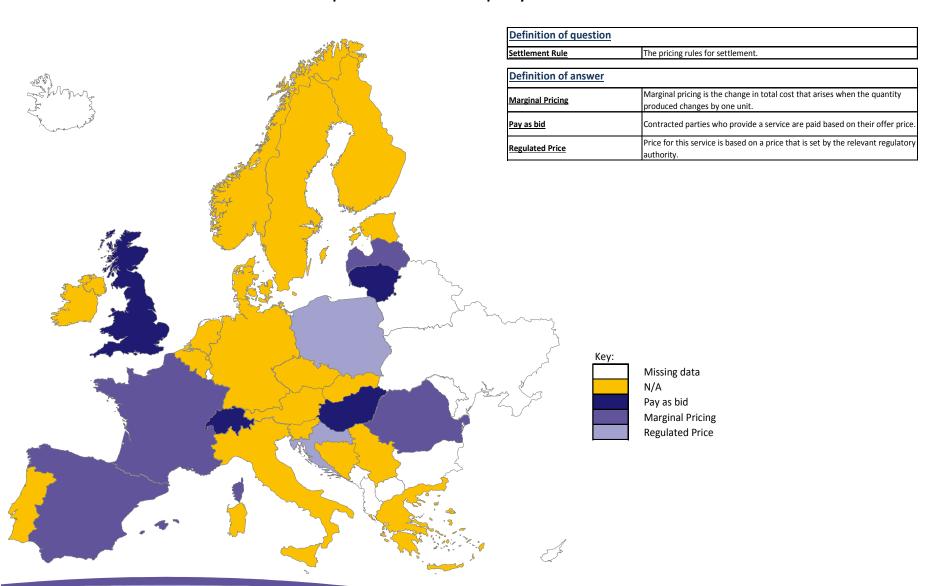


Replacement Reserve - Capacity - Provider



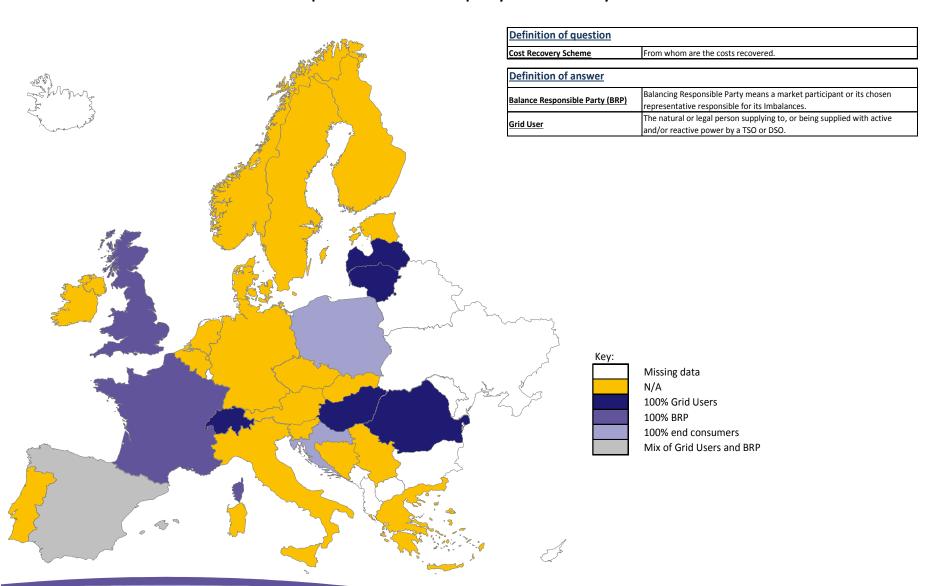


Replacement Reserve - Capacity - Settlement Rule



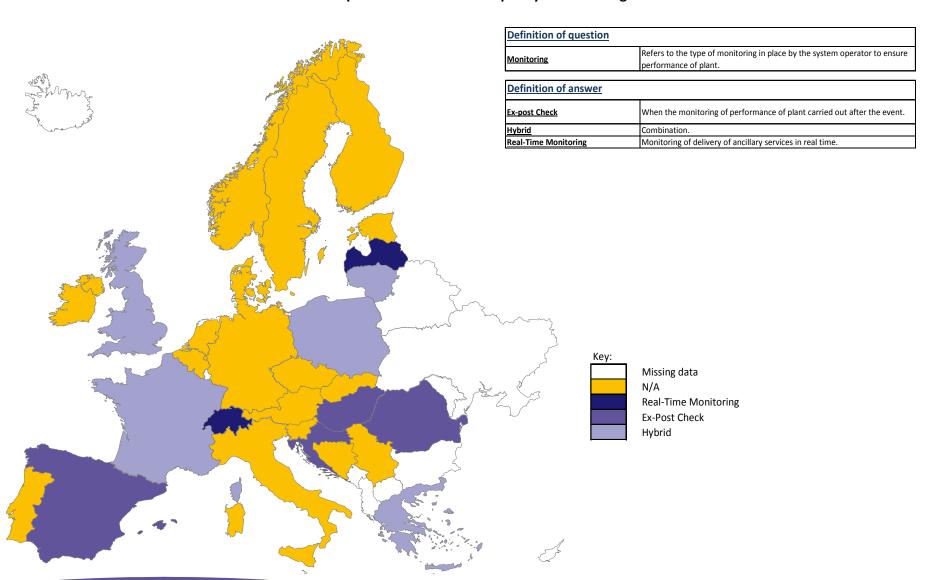


Replacement Reserve - Capacity - Cost Recovery Scheme



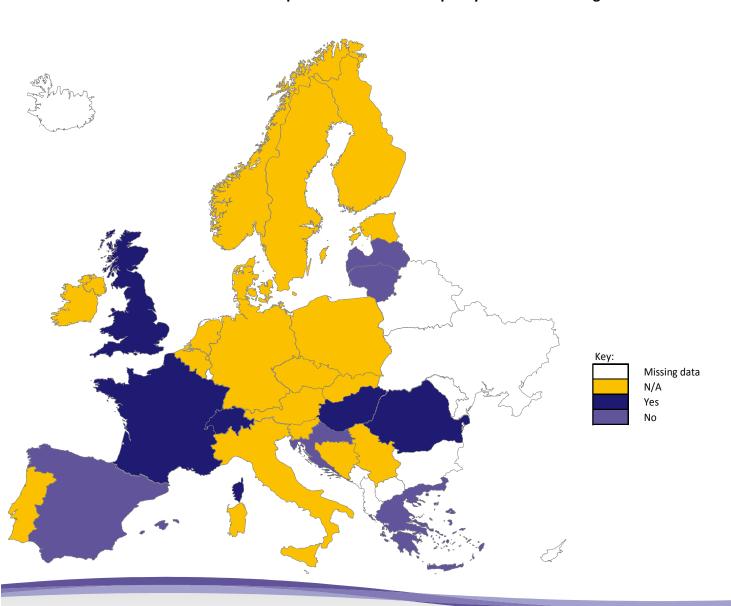


Replacement Reserve - Capacity - Monitoring



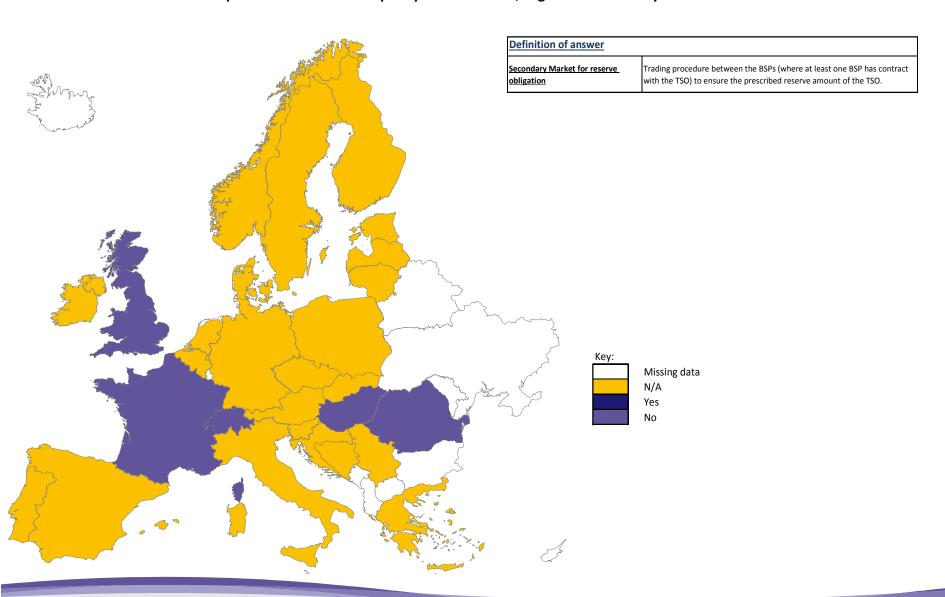


Replacement Reserve - Capacity - Transfer of obligation allowed



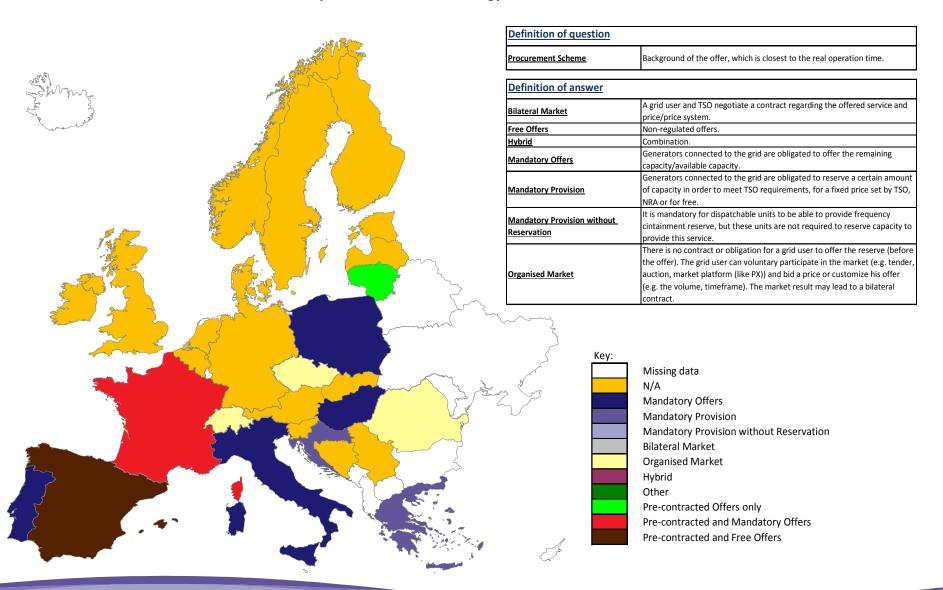


Replacement Reserve - Capacity - Obl. allowed, organised secondary market exists



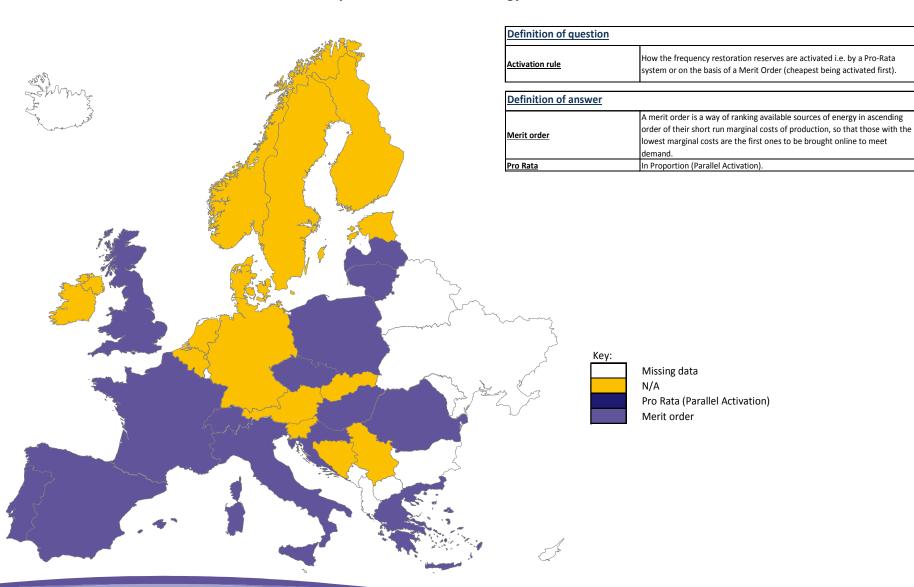


Replacement Reserve - Energy - Procurement Scheme



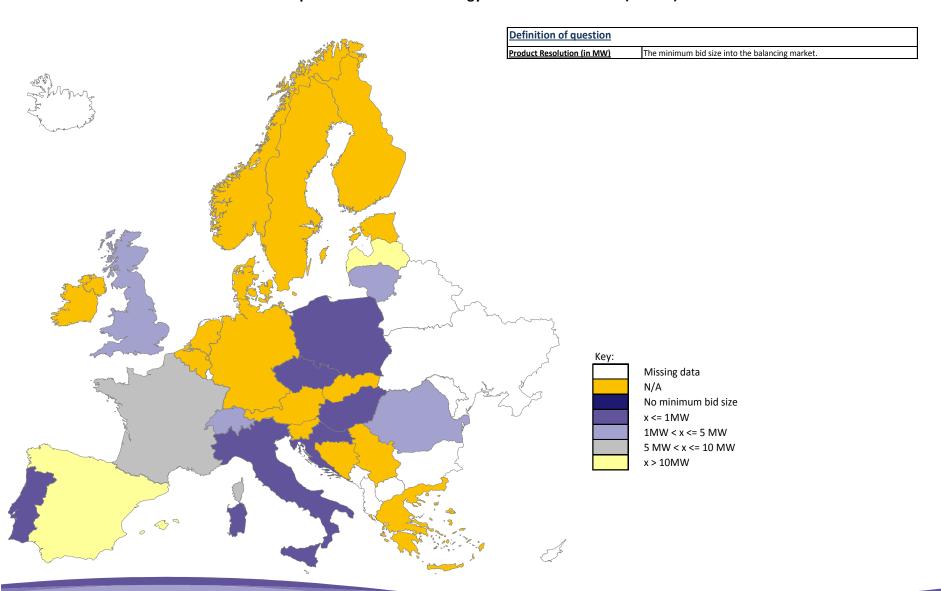


Replacement Reserve - Energy - Activation Rule



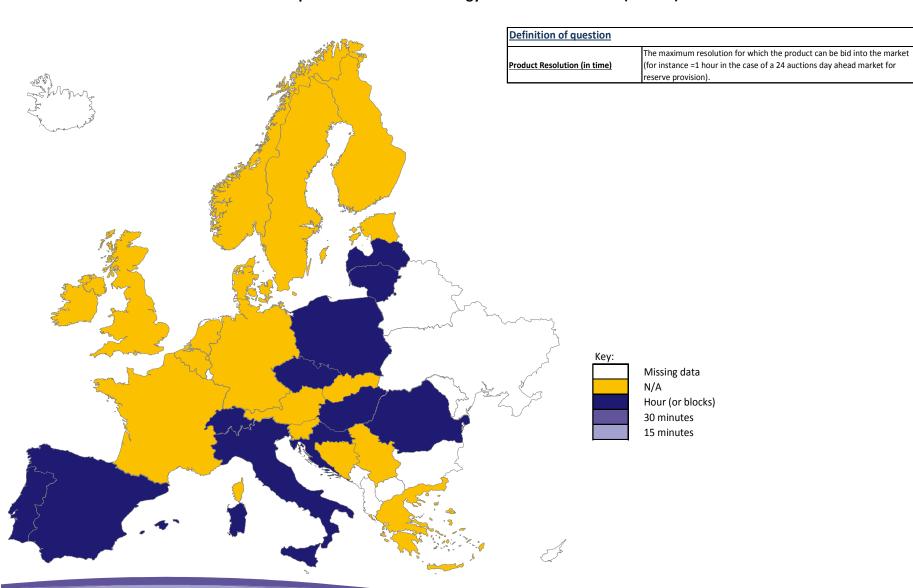


Replacement Reserve - Energy - Product Resolution (in MW)



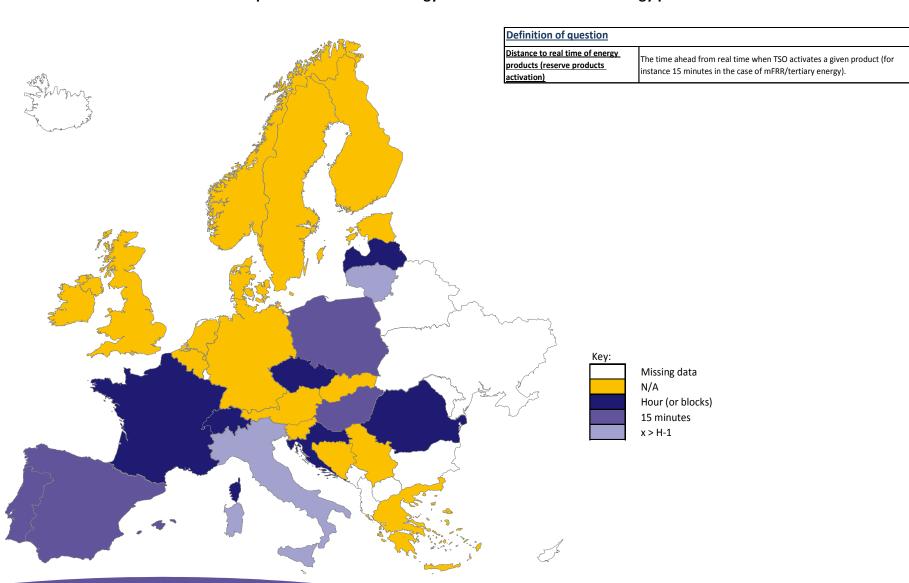


Replacement Reserve - Energy - Product Resolution (in time)



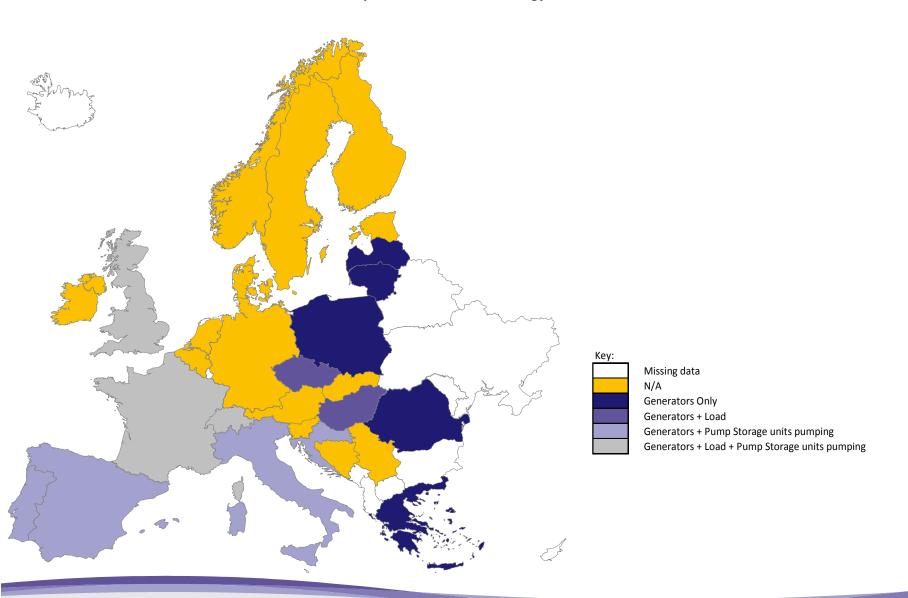


Replacement Reserve - Energy - Distance to real time of energy products



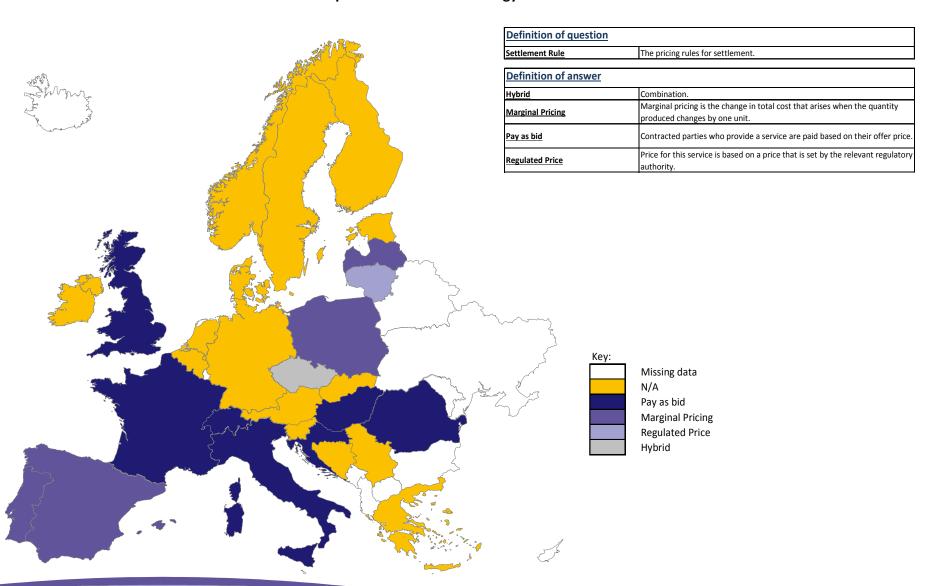


Replacement Reserve - Energy - Provider



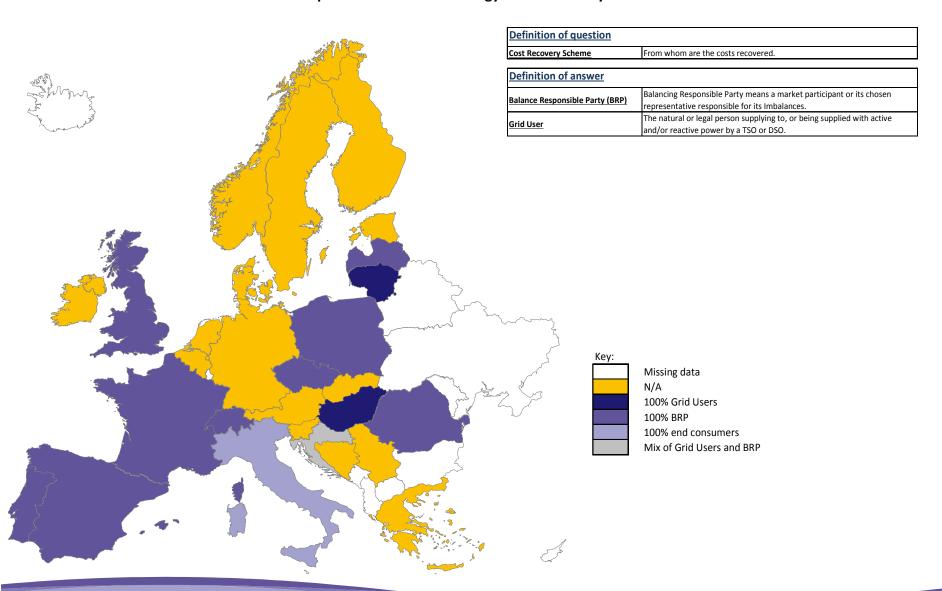


Replacement Reserve - Energy - Settlement Rule



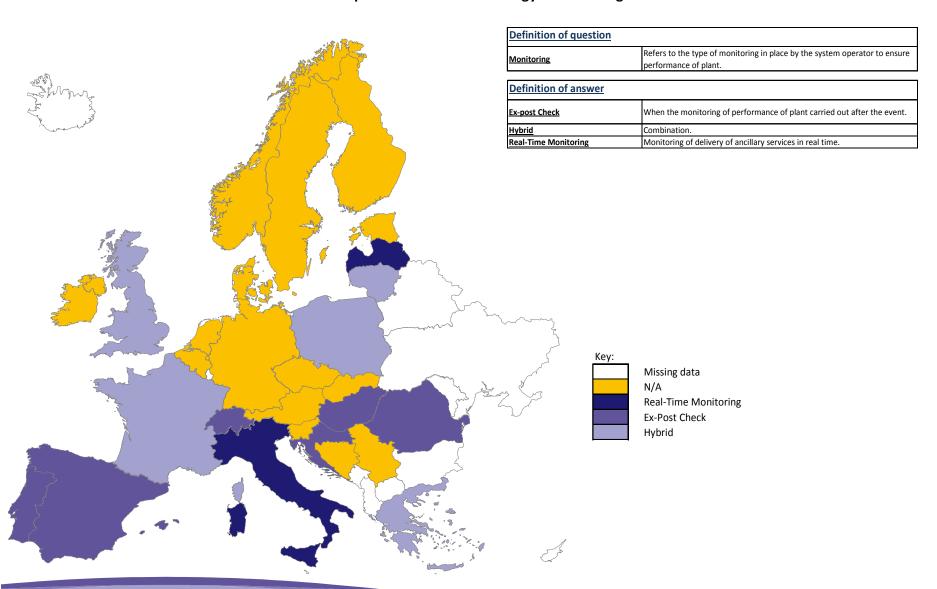


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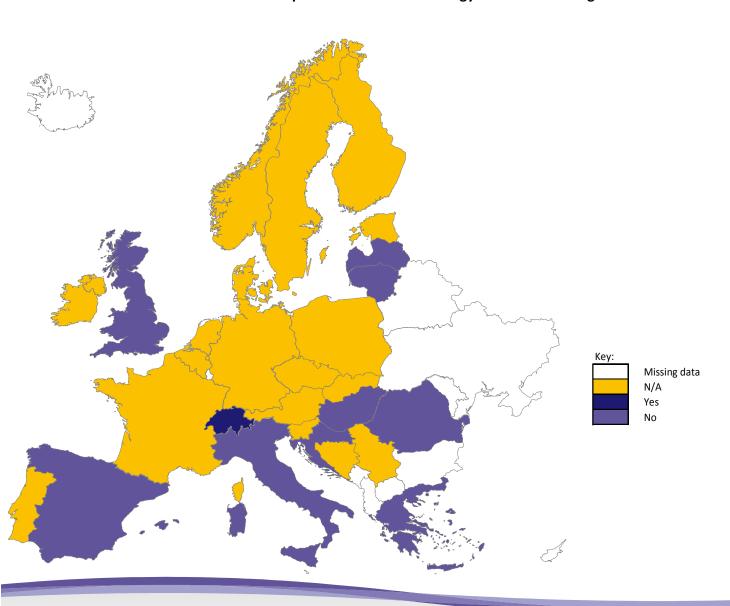


Replacement Reserve - Energy - Monitoring



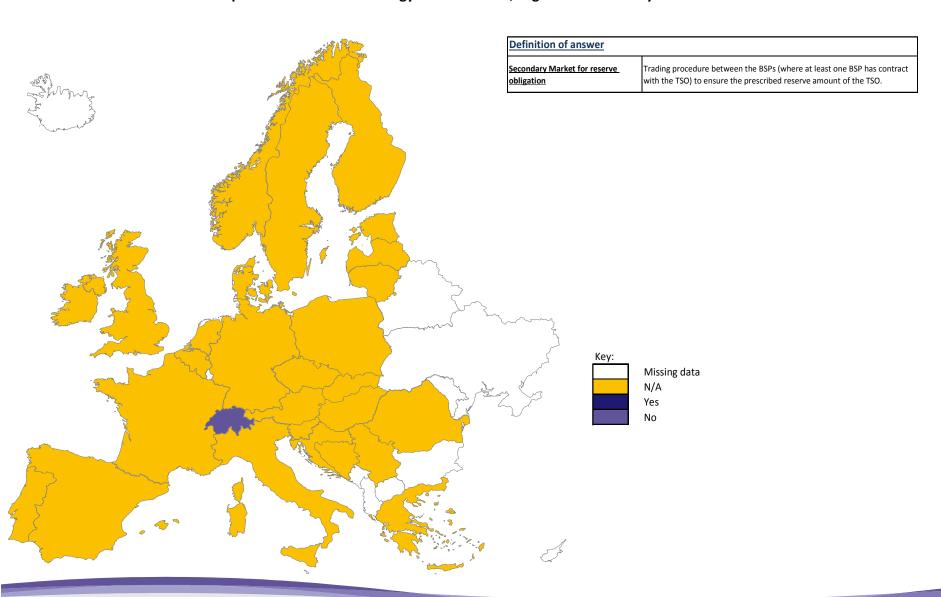


Replacement Reserve - Energy - Transfer of obligation allowed



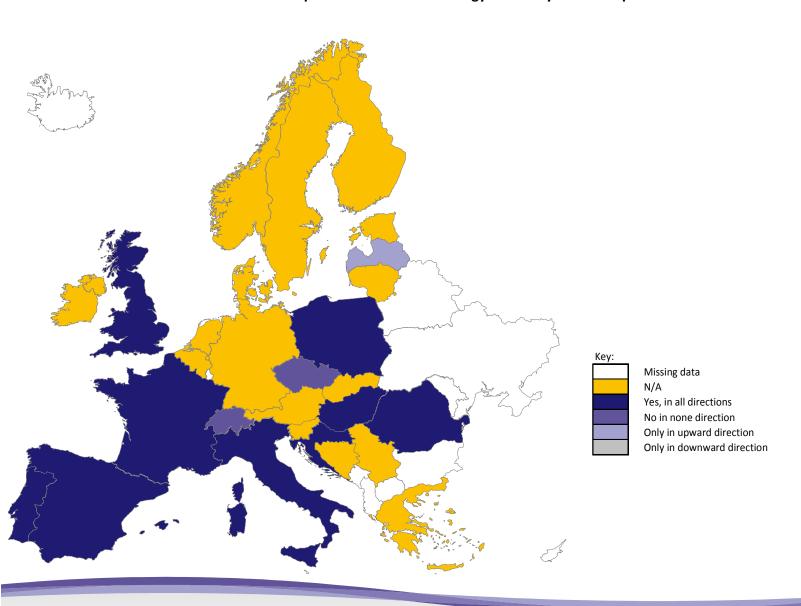


Replacement Reserve - Energy - Obl. allowed, organised secondary market exists



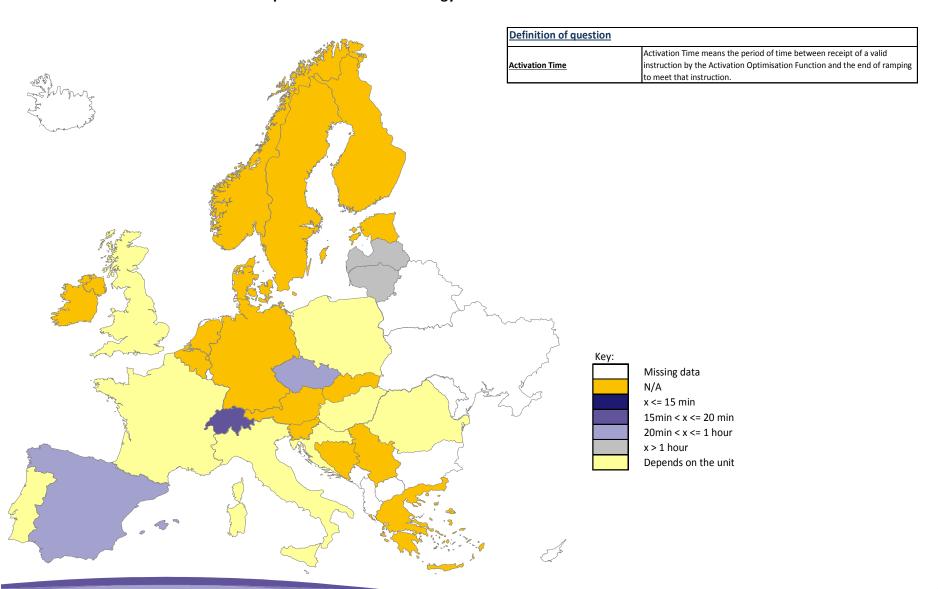


Replacement Reserve - Energy - Partially activated product





Replacement Reserve - Energy - Activation time of RR from 0 to max





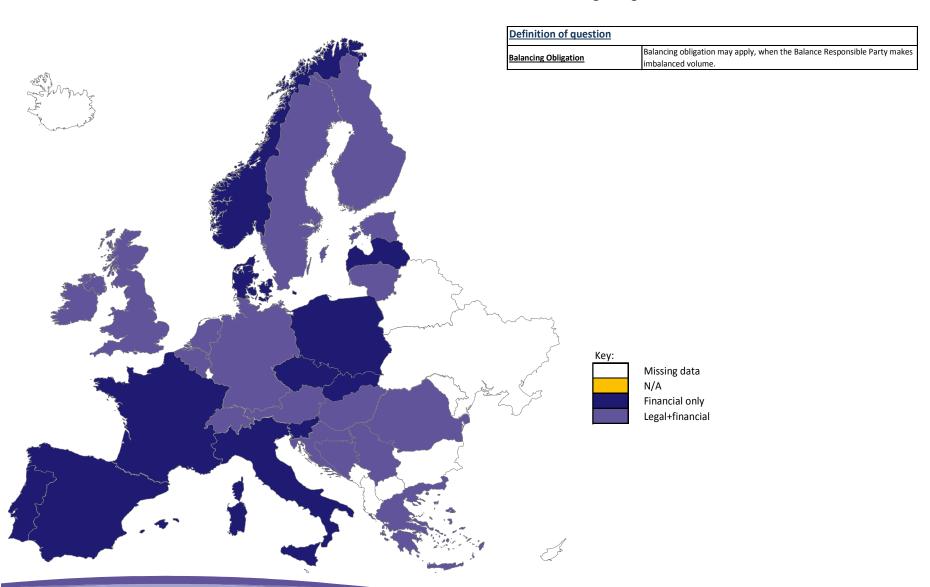


Imbalance settlement

(Referring to questions of AS survey from IS1.0 to IS15.0)

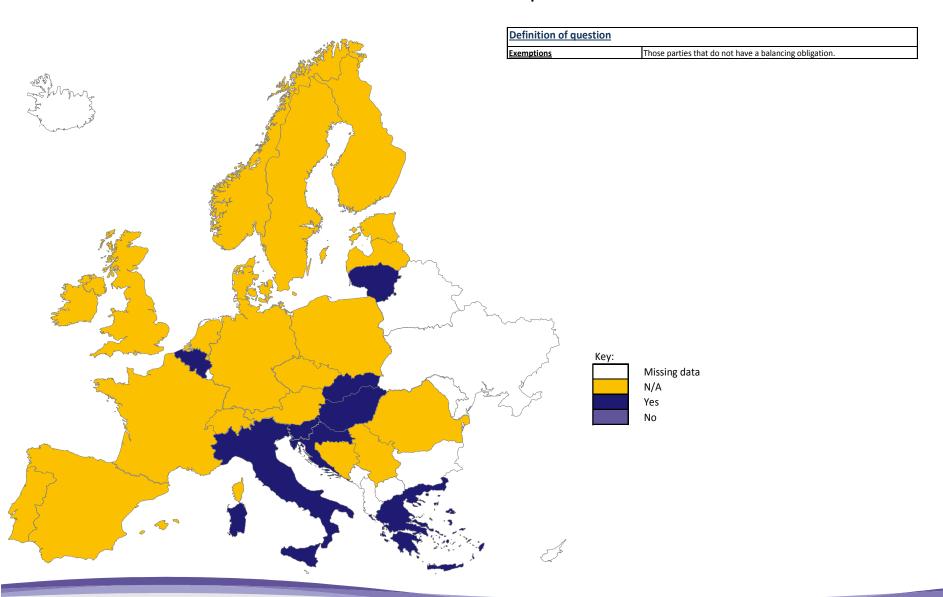


Imbalance settlement - Nature of the Balancing Obligation



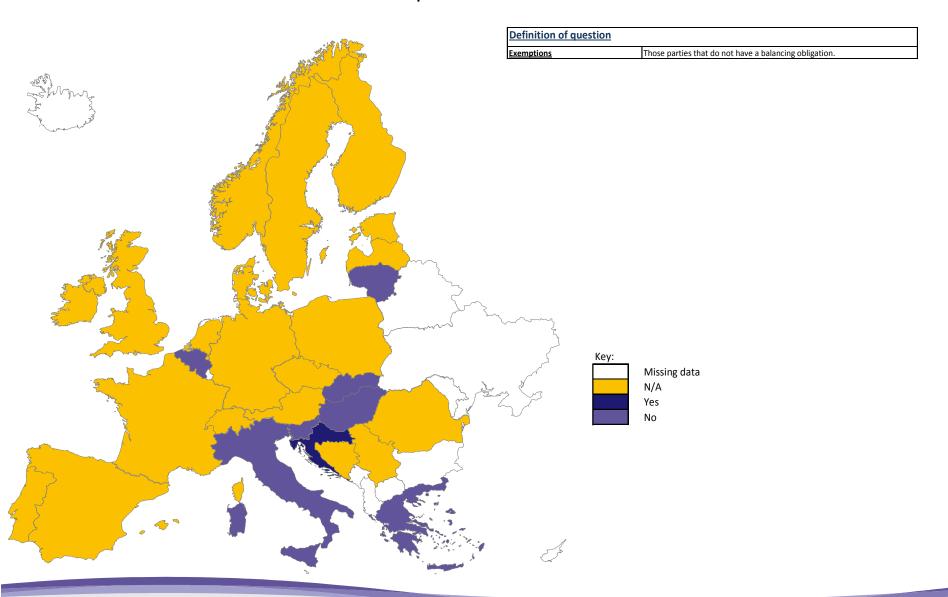


Imbalance settlement - Exemptions for RES



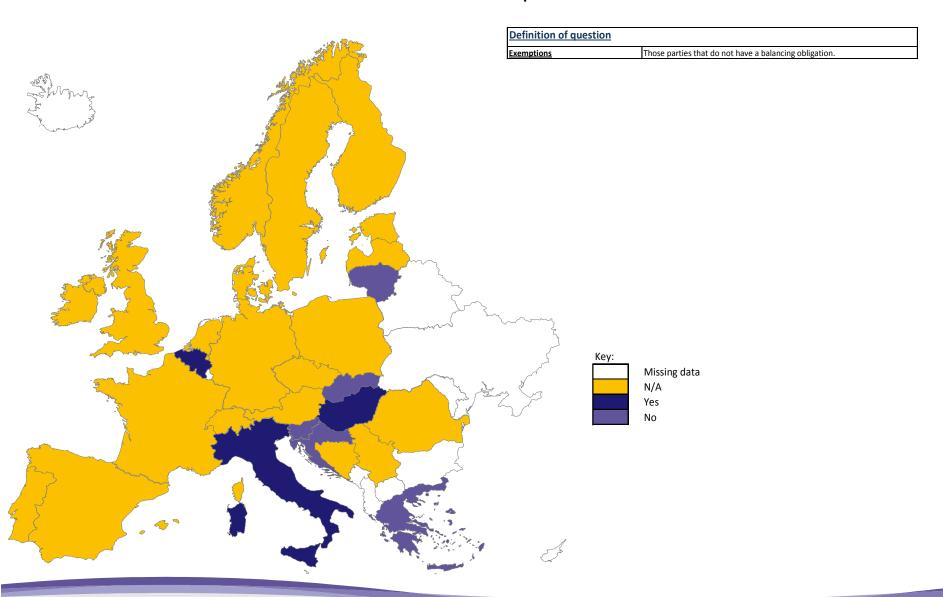


Imbalance settlement - Exemptions for Generators licensed for the AS market



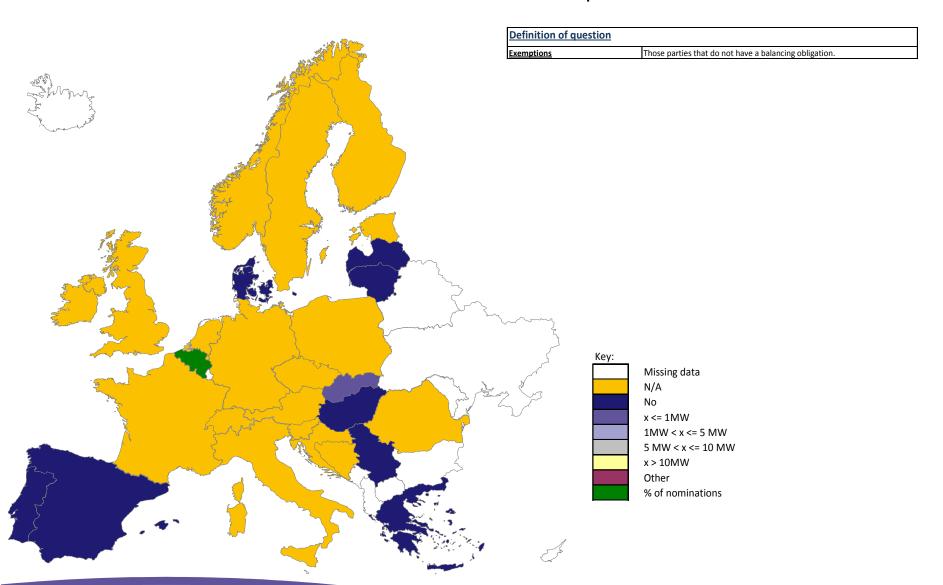


Imbalance settlement - Exemptions for Other



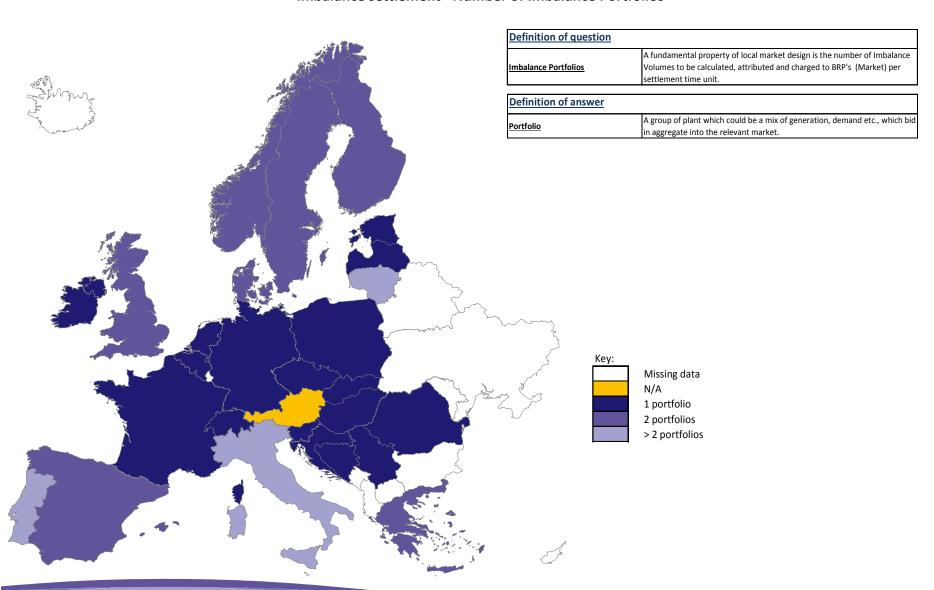


Imbalance settlement - Limit to exemption





Imbalance settlement - Number of Imbalance Portfolios





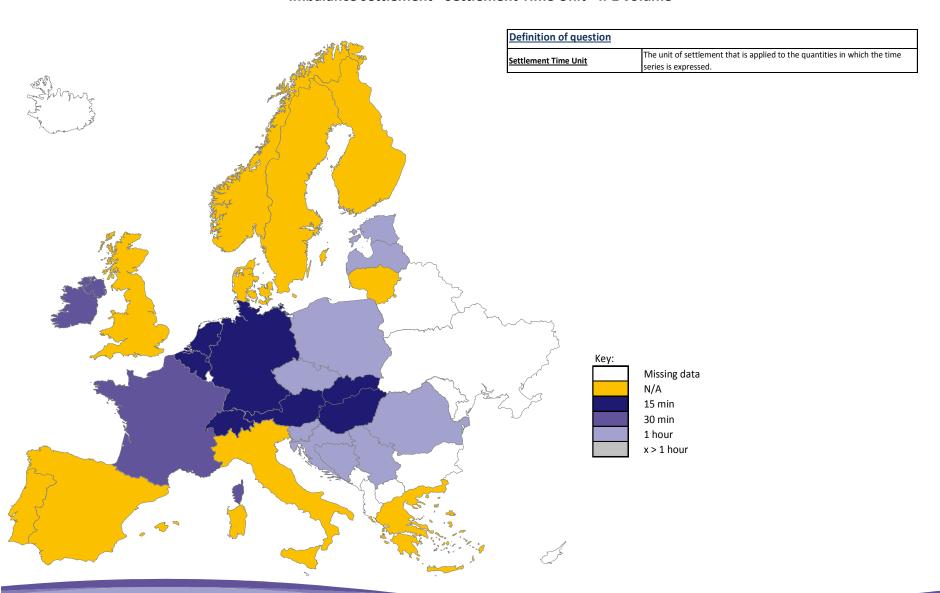
Imbalance Settlement - If you have more than 2 portfolios, please, explain!



TSO	Answer
Litgrid	 Consumption portfolio Generation portfolio Cross border trade with 3rd countries portfolio.
REN	For generator the imbalance is calculated by imbalance area. A market player can have more than one imbalance area.
Terna	In Italy we calculate an imbalance volume for each unit.

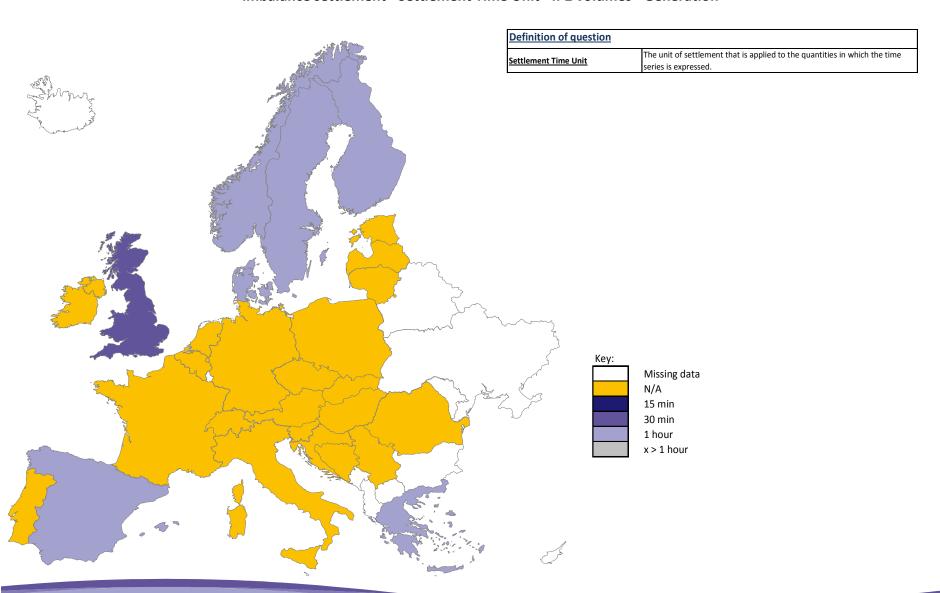


Imbalance settlement - Settlement Time Unit - If 1 volume



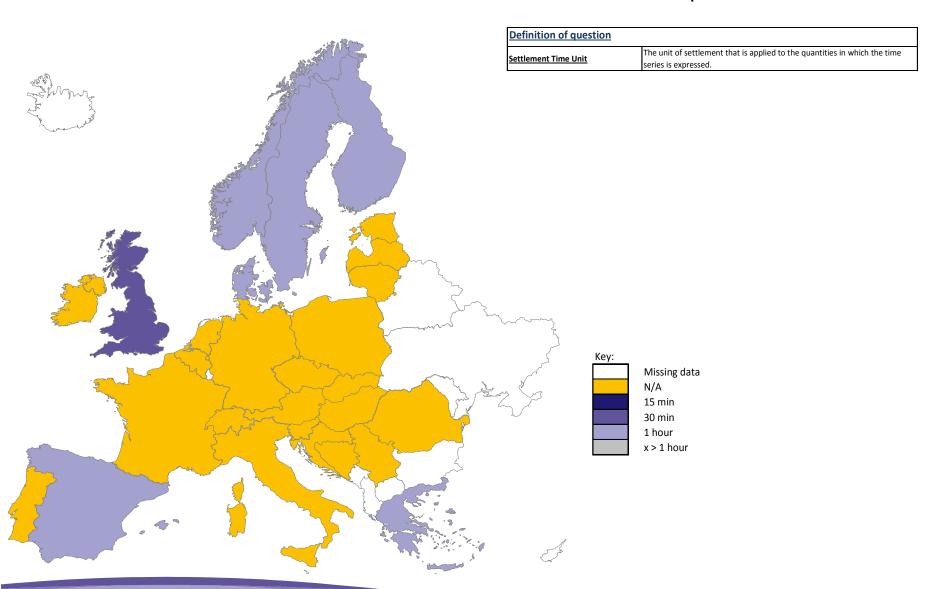


Imbalance settlement - Settlement Time Unit - If 2 volumes - Generation



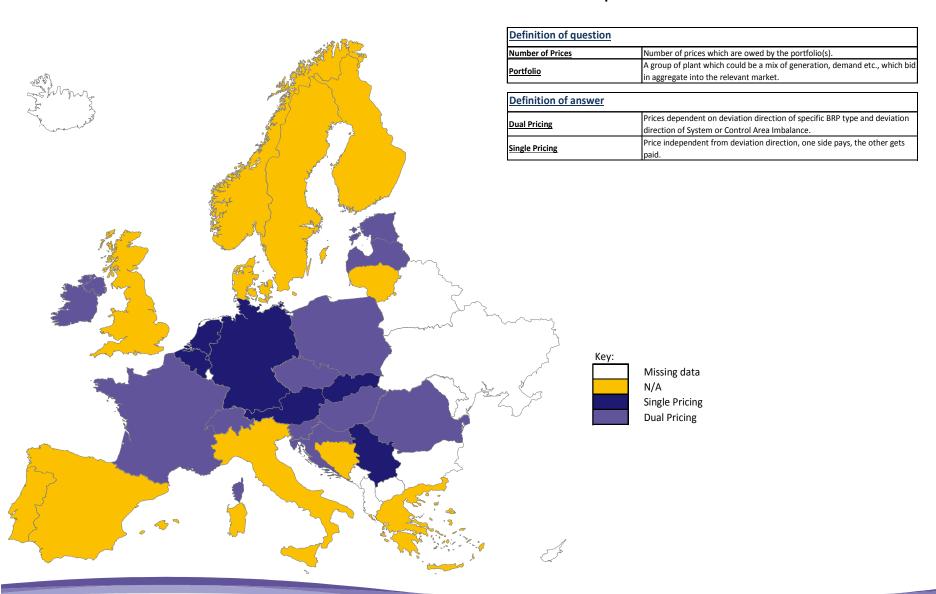


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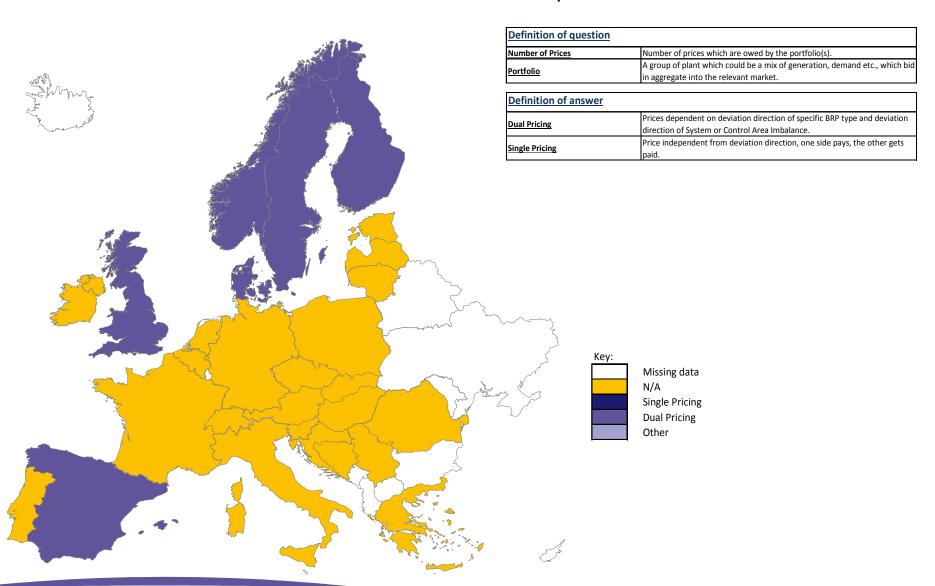


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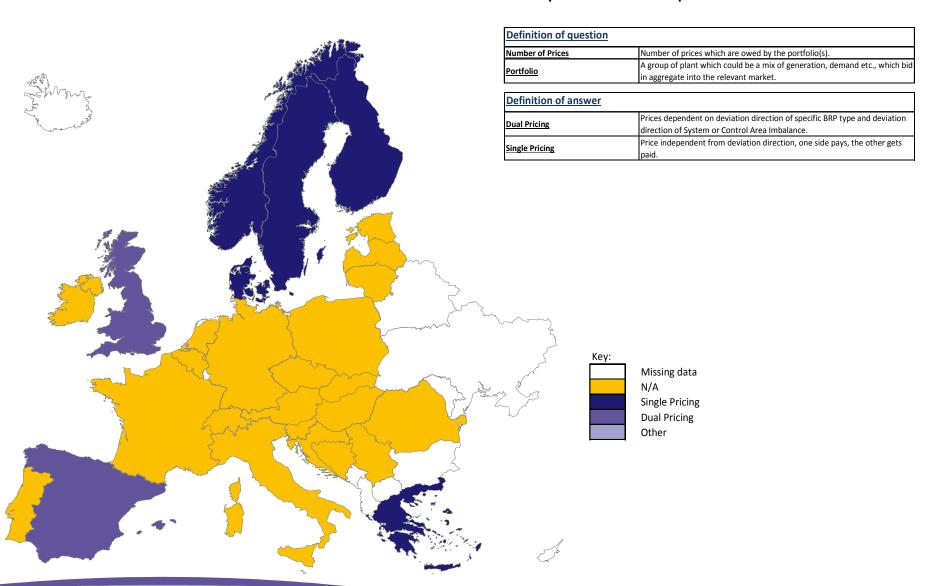


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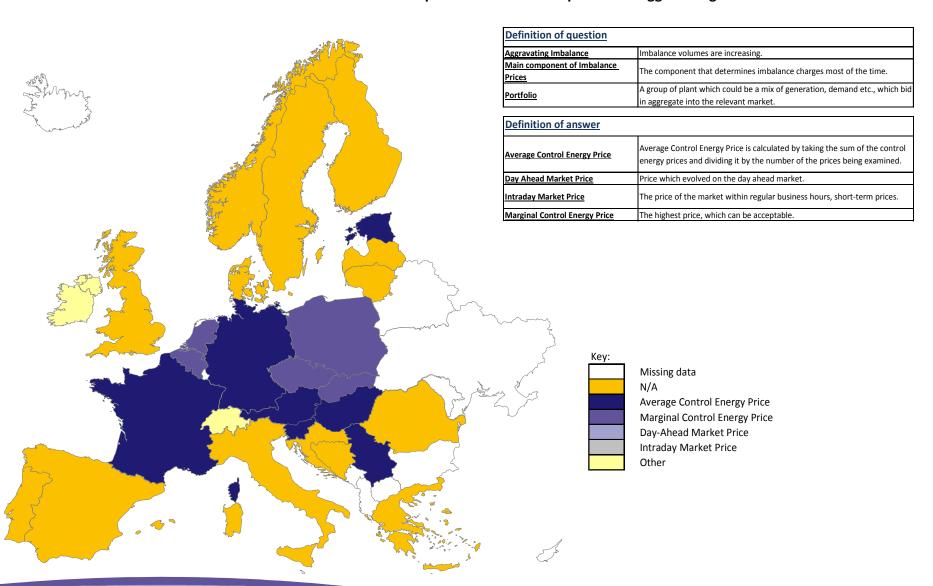


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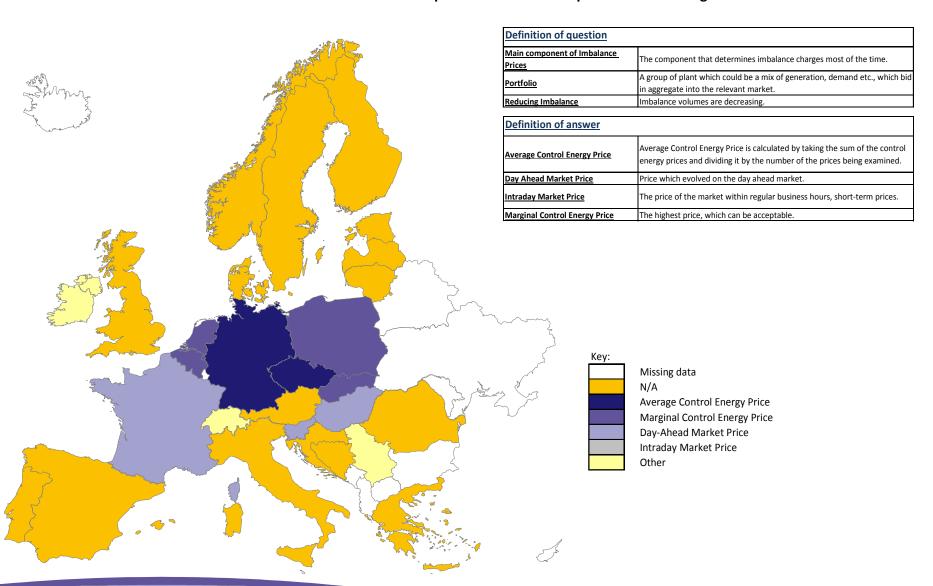


Imbalance settlement - Main comp. of Imb. Prices - If 1 portfolio - Aggravating imb.



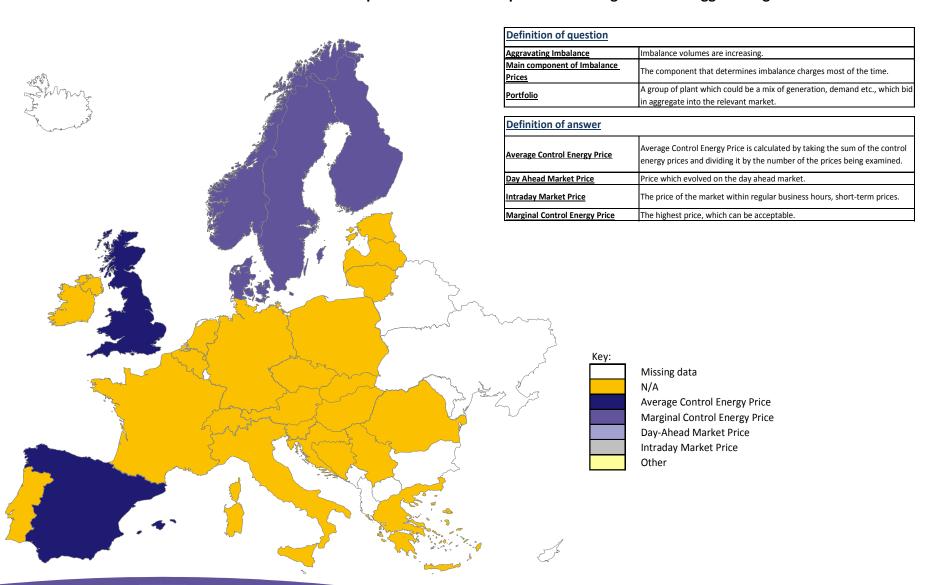


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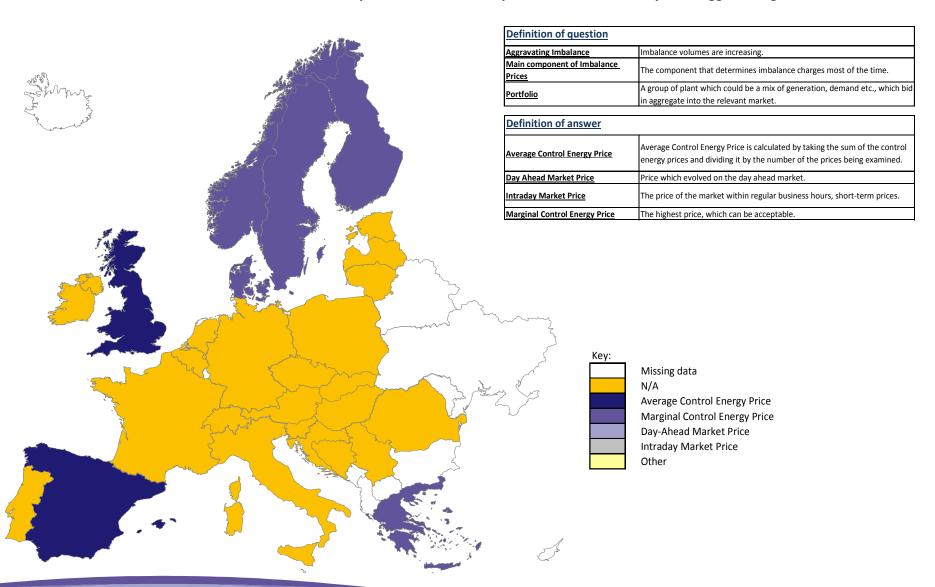


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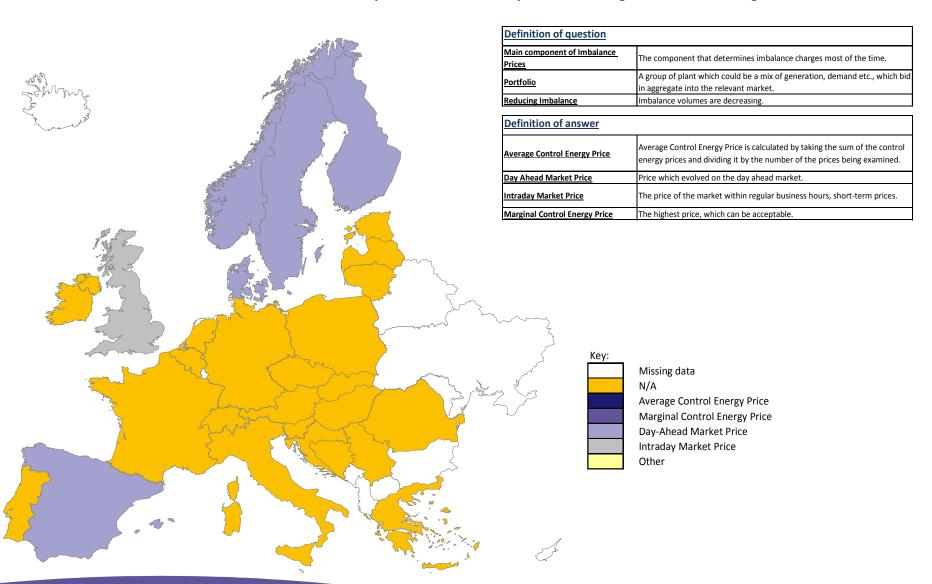


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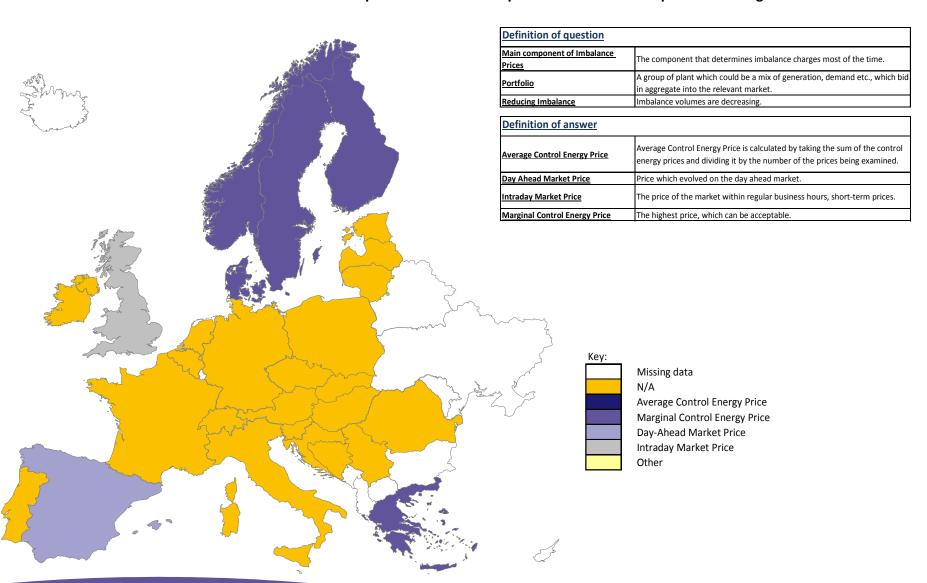


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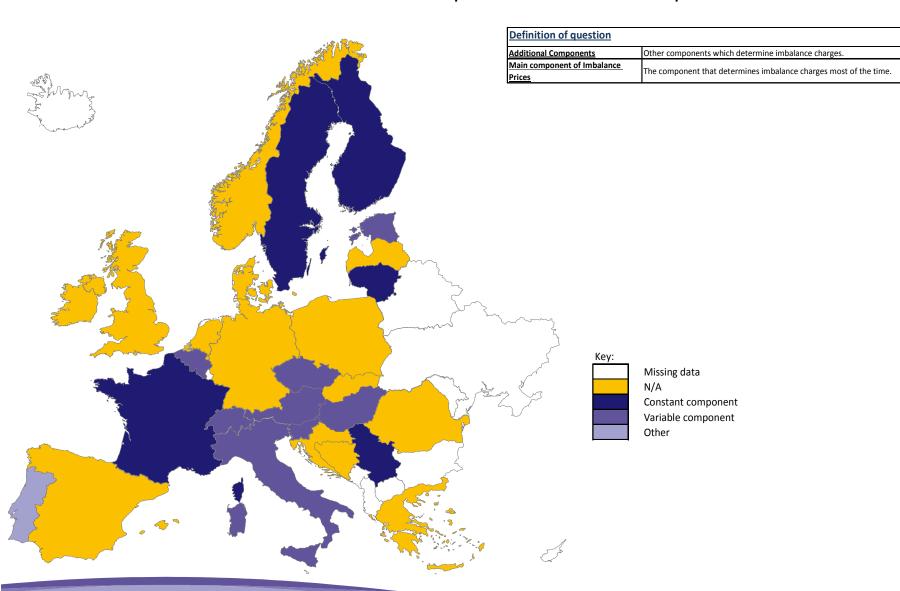


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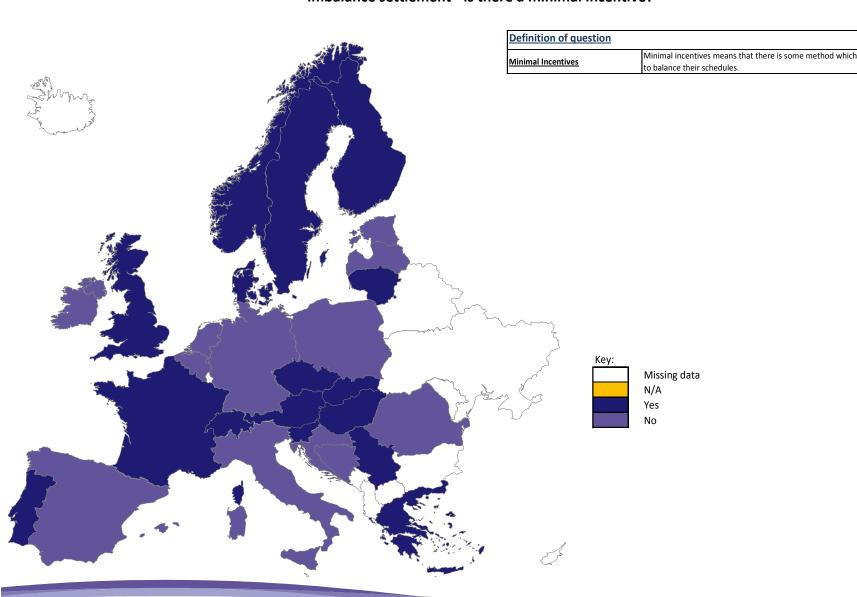


Imbalance settlement - Main comp. of Imb. Prices - Additional Components



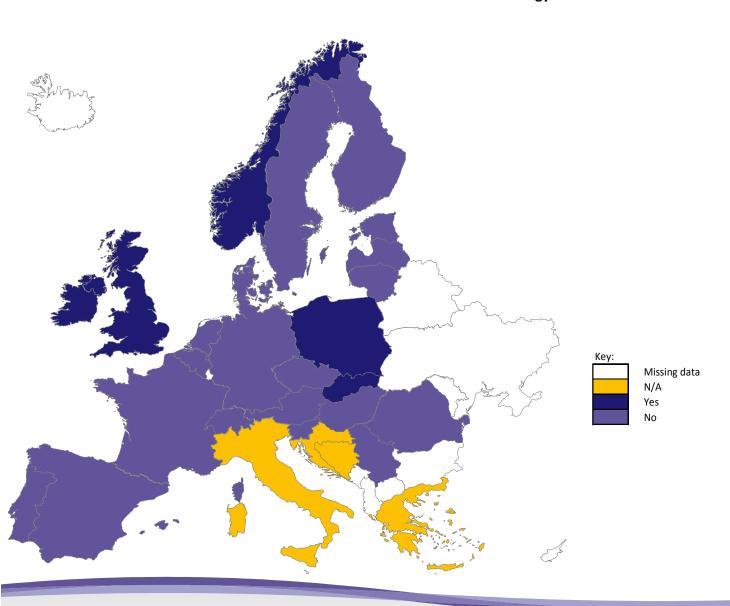


Imbalance settlement - Is there a minimal incentive?



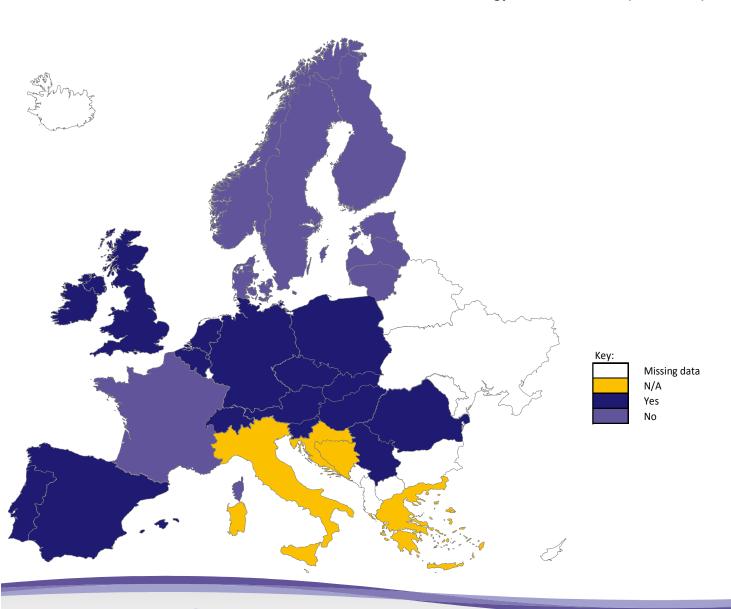


Imbalance settlement - Control Energy Prices used - FCR



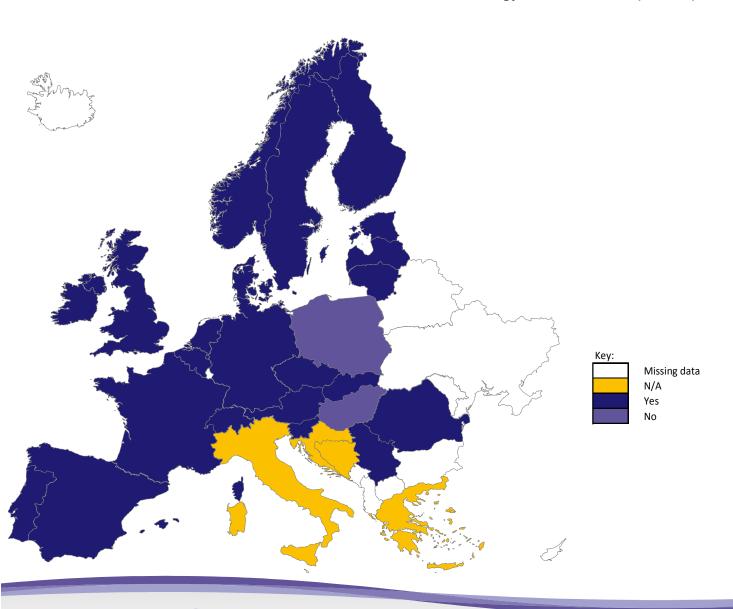


Imbalance settlement - Control Energy Prices used - FRR (Automatic)



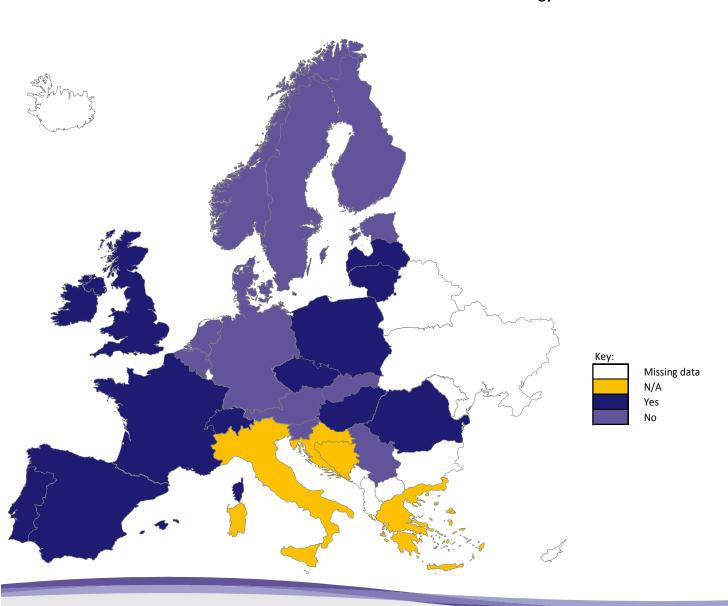


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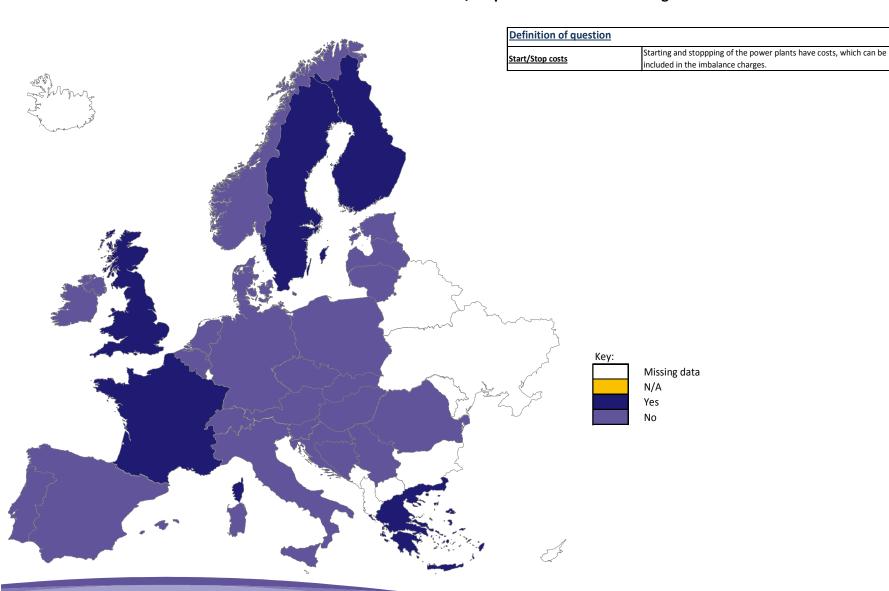


Imbalance settlement - Control Energy Prices used - RR



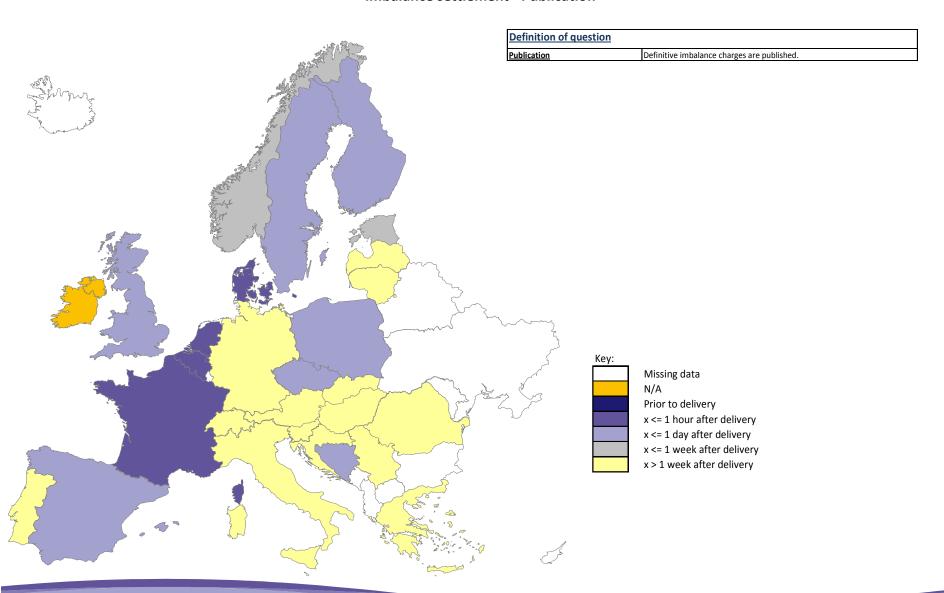


Imbalance settlement - Start/Stop costs in Imbalance Charges



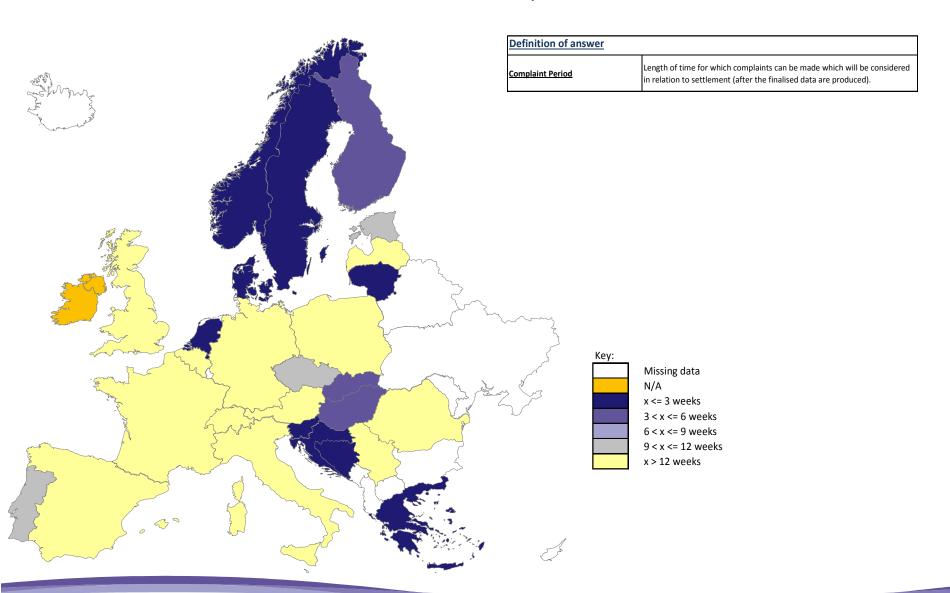


Imbalance settlement - Publication



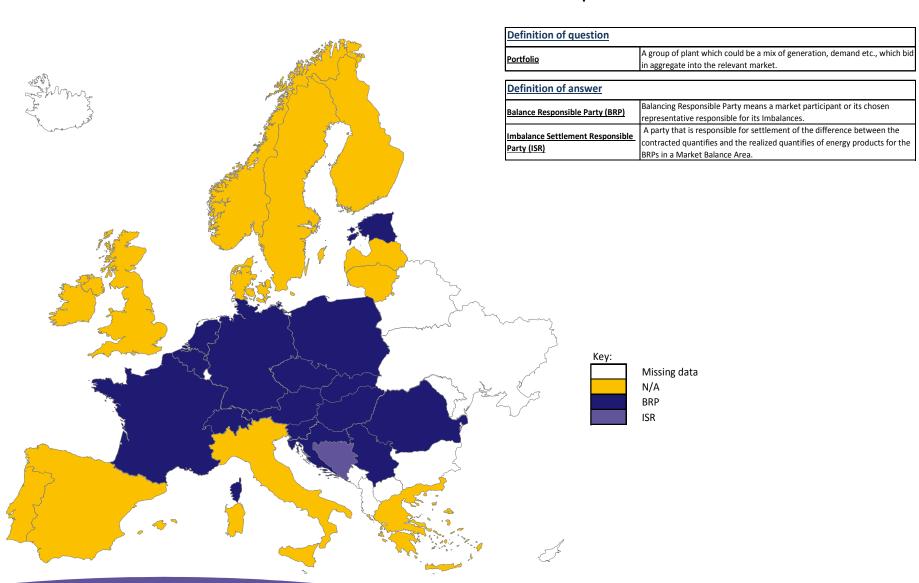


Imbalance settlement - Complaint Period



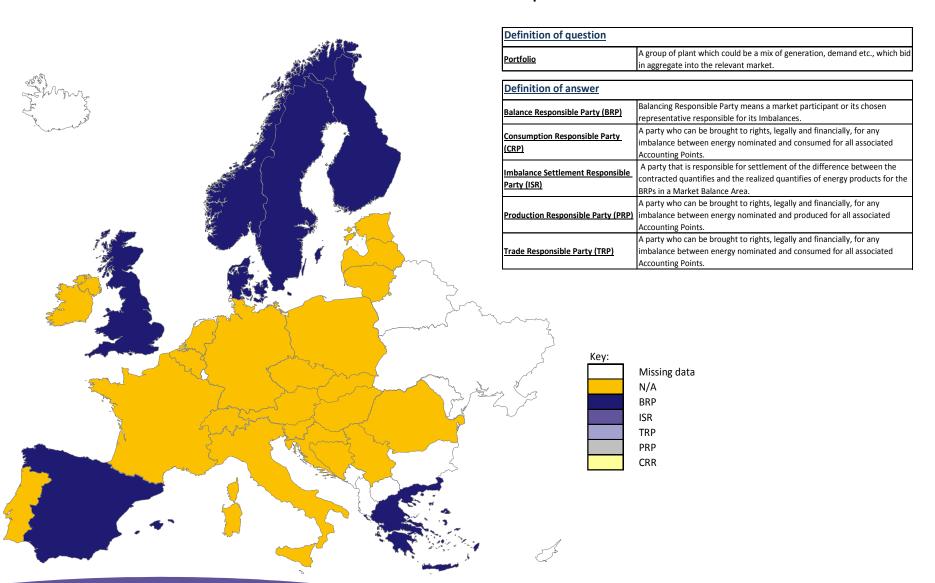


Imbalance settlement - Settlement - If 1 portfolio



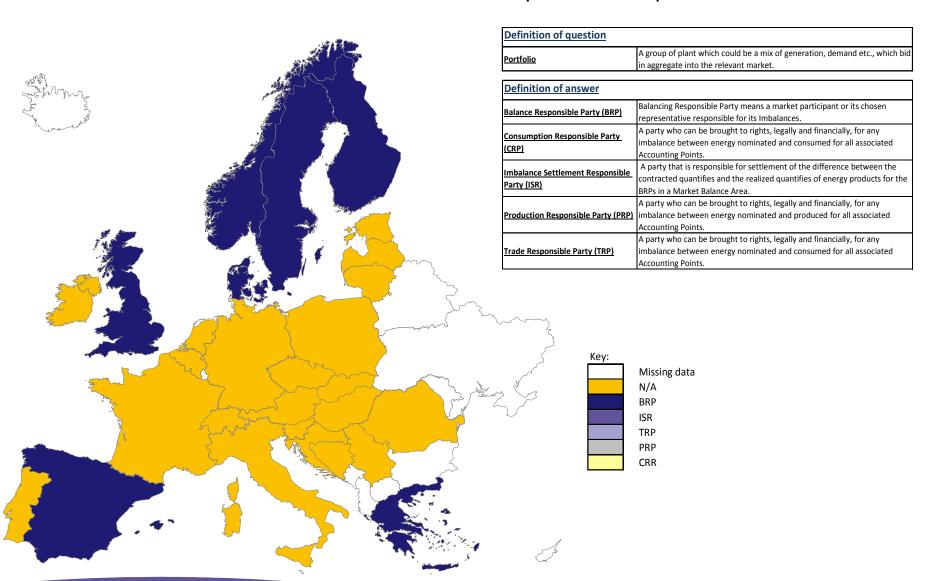


Imbalance settlement - Settlement - If 2 portfolios - Generation



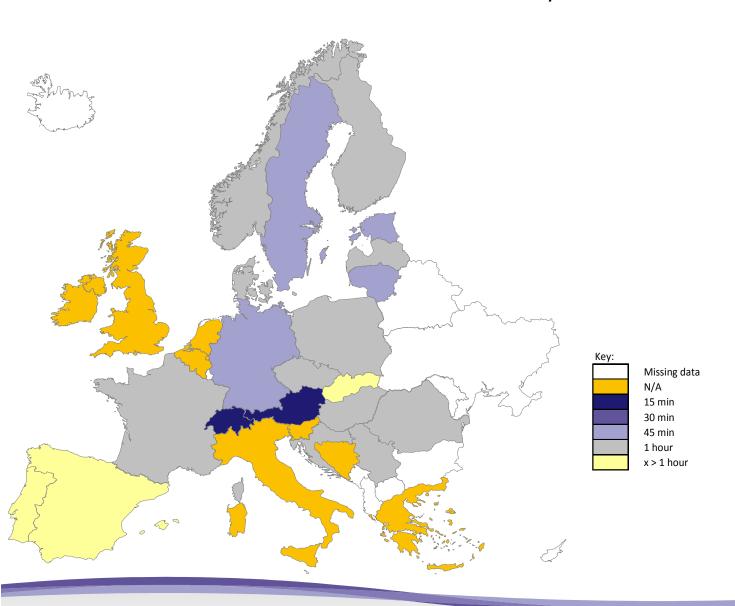


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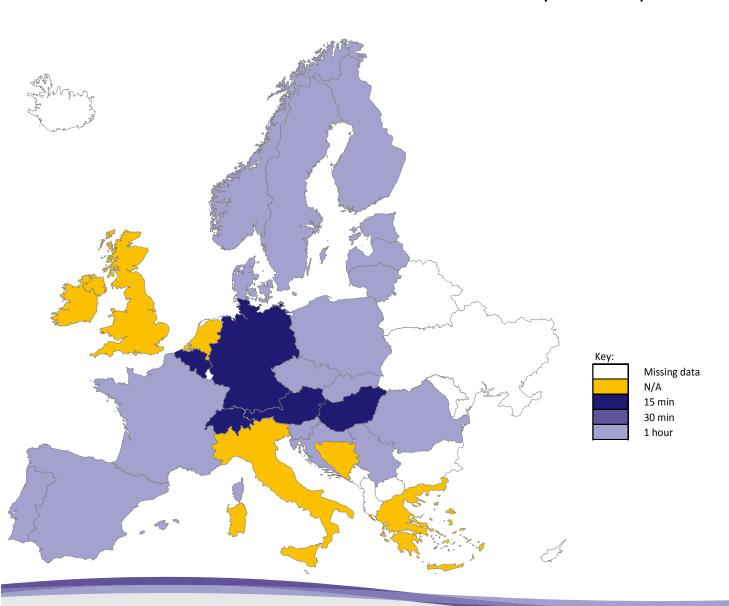


Imbalance settlement - Time before real time for BRP to carry out a re-schedule in Internal ID market



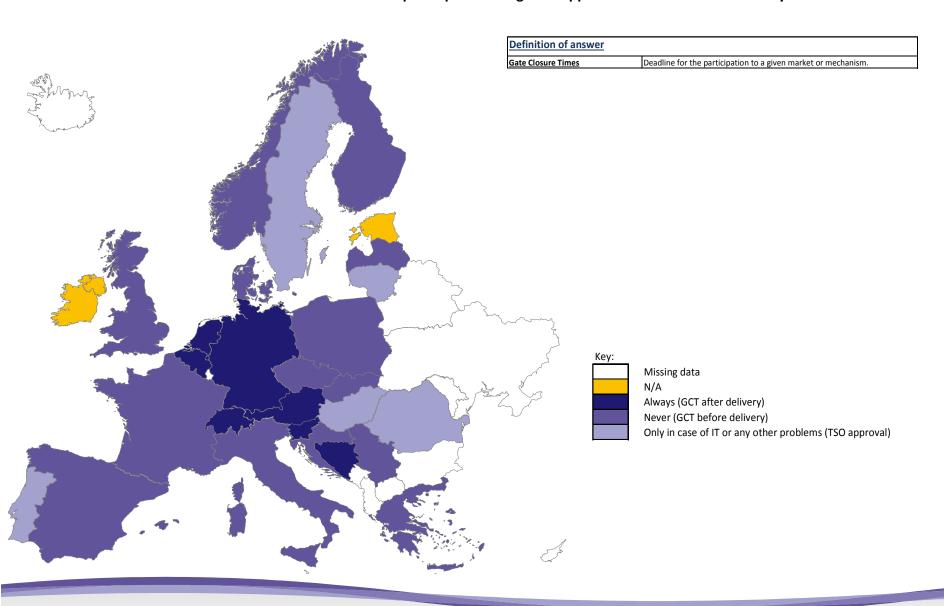


Imbalance settlement - Internal Intra Day Market time period





Imbalance settlement - Can market participants change the approved schedules after Delivery?





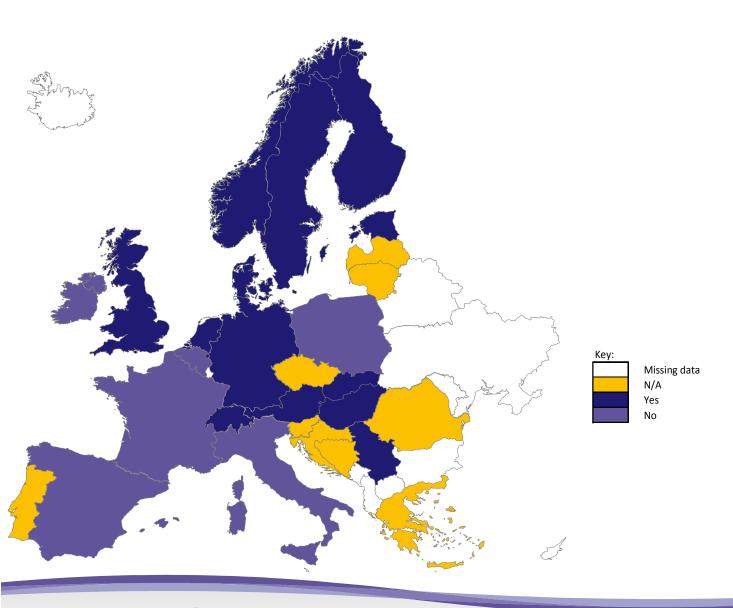


Load participation

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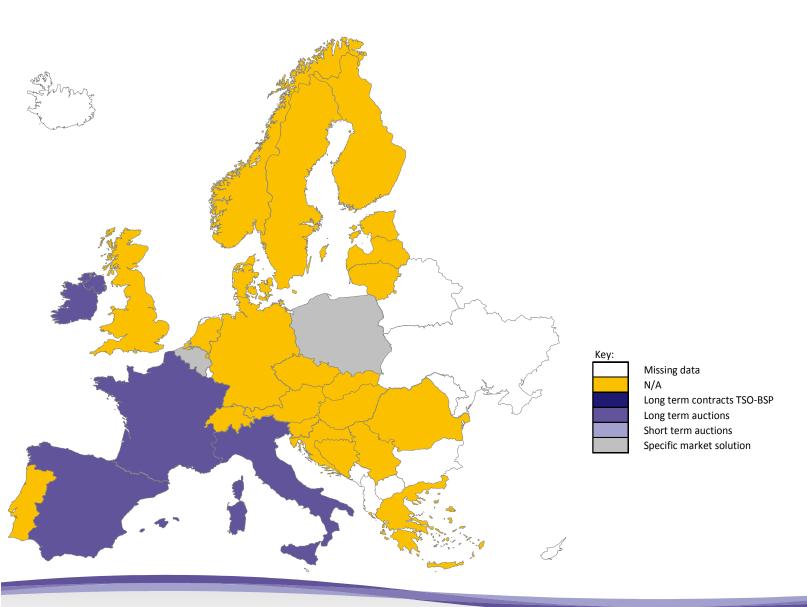


Load participation - Load providers use the same market mech. and act. proc. as generation (cap.&energy)



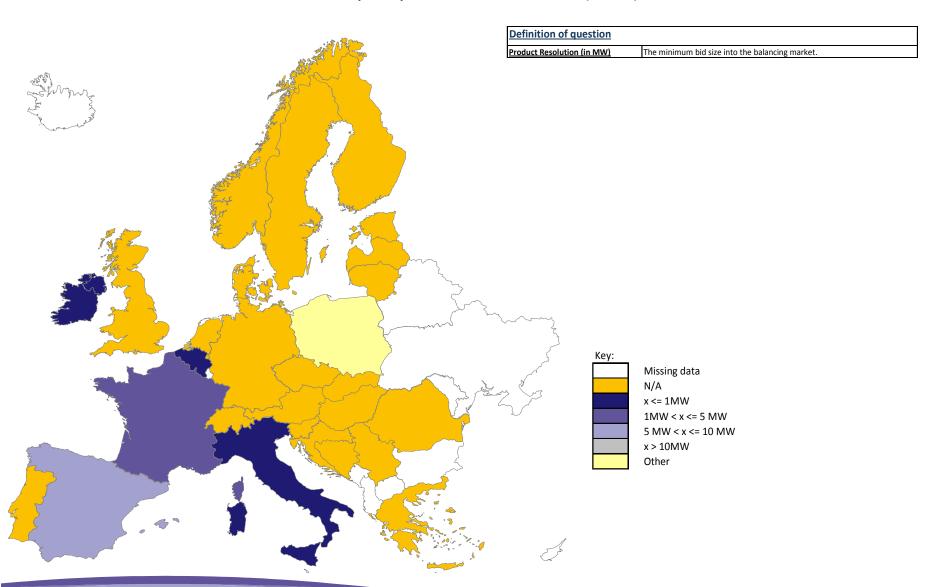


Load participation - Specific market solution use for load providers of balancing services (cap.&energy)



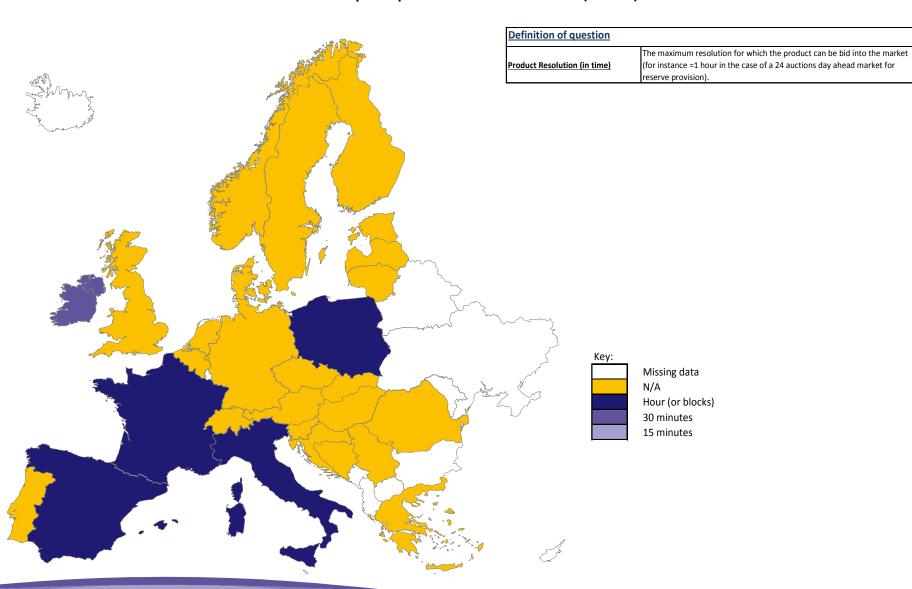


Load participation - Product Resolution (in MW)



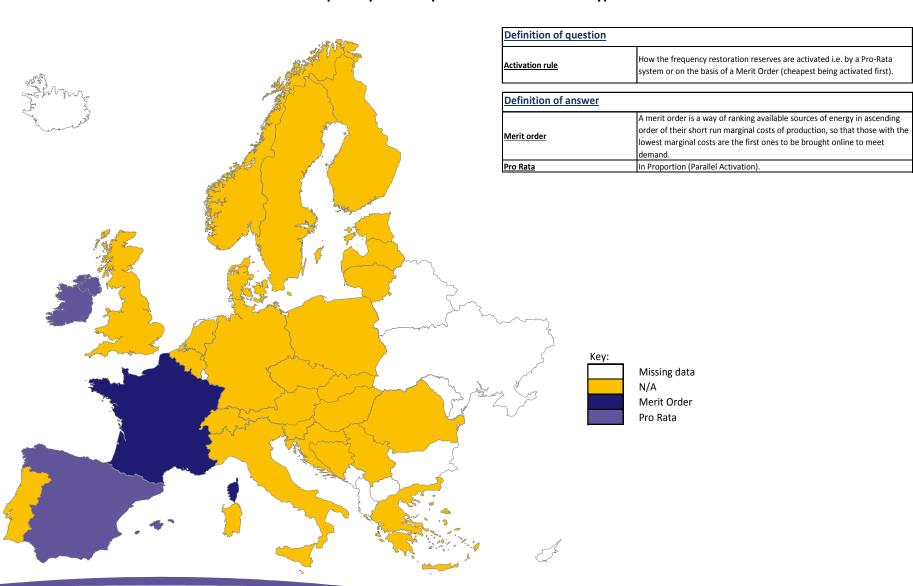


Load participation - Product Resolution (in time)



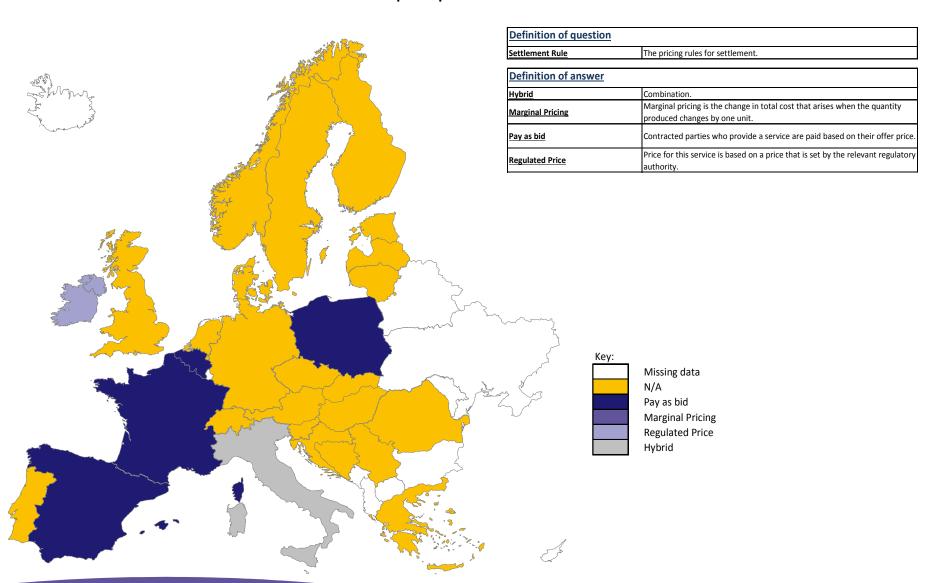


Load participation - Specific act. rule for load type BSP's



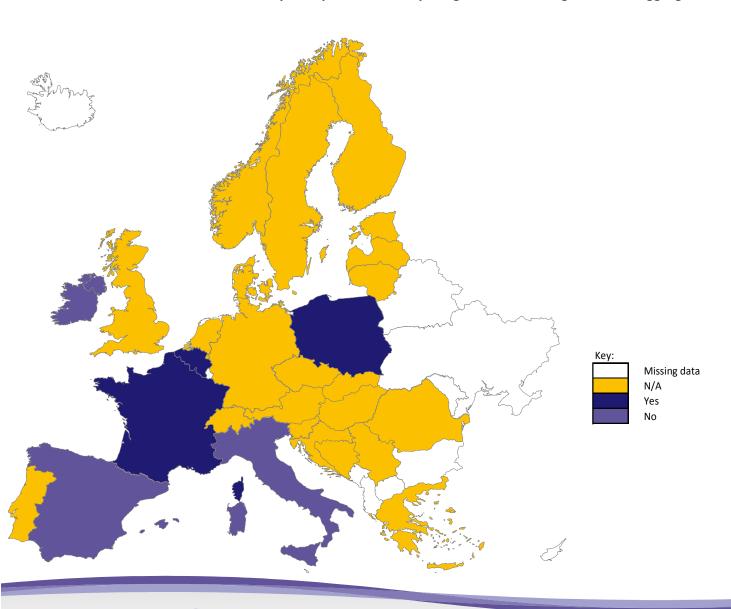


Load participation - Settlement Rule



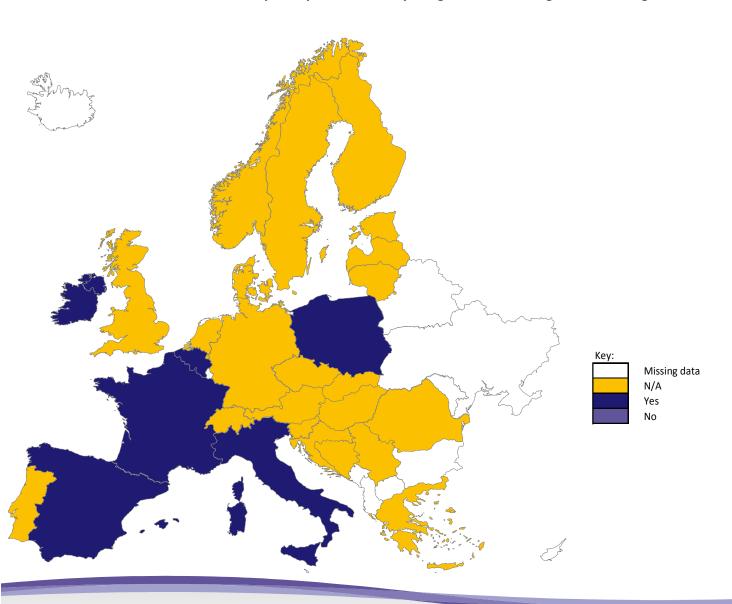


Load participation - Participating in the balancing services - Aggregators



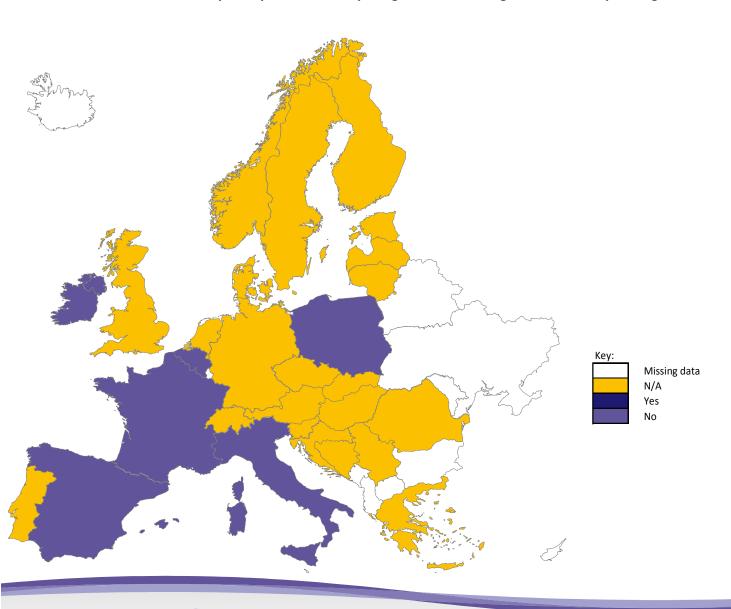


Load participation - Participating in the balancing services - Large consumers



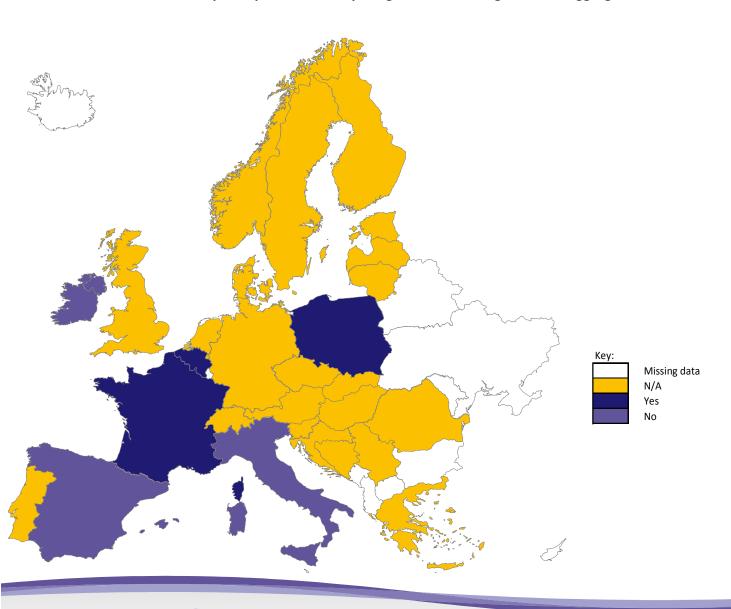


Load participation - Participating in the balancing services - Pump storage units consumers



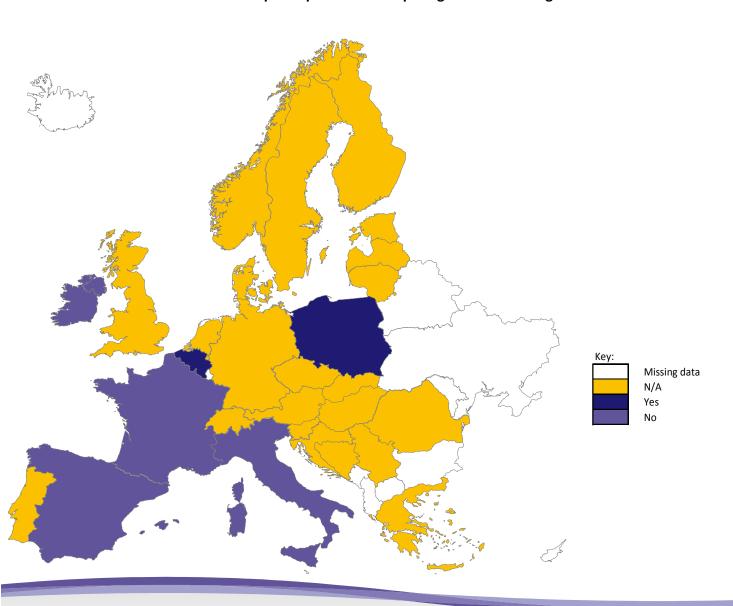


Load participation - Participating in the balancing services -Aggregated small size consumers



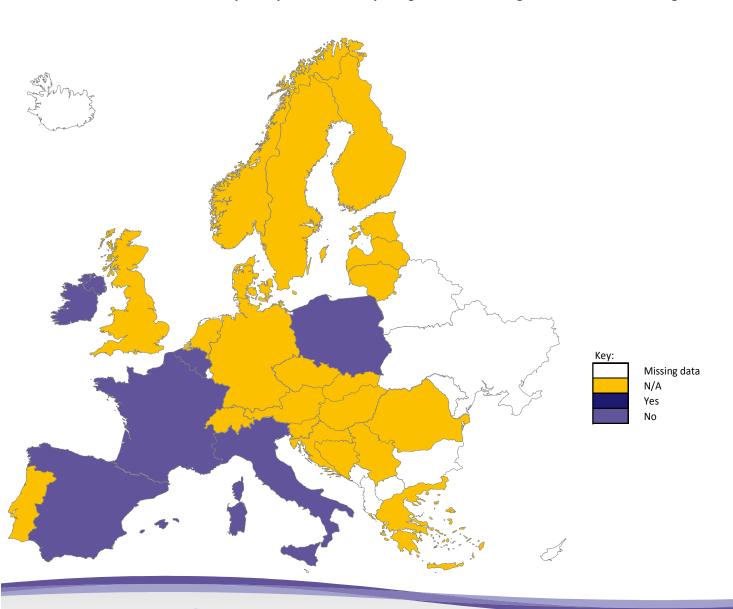


Load participation - Participating in the balancing services - Small consumers



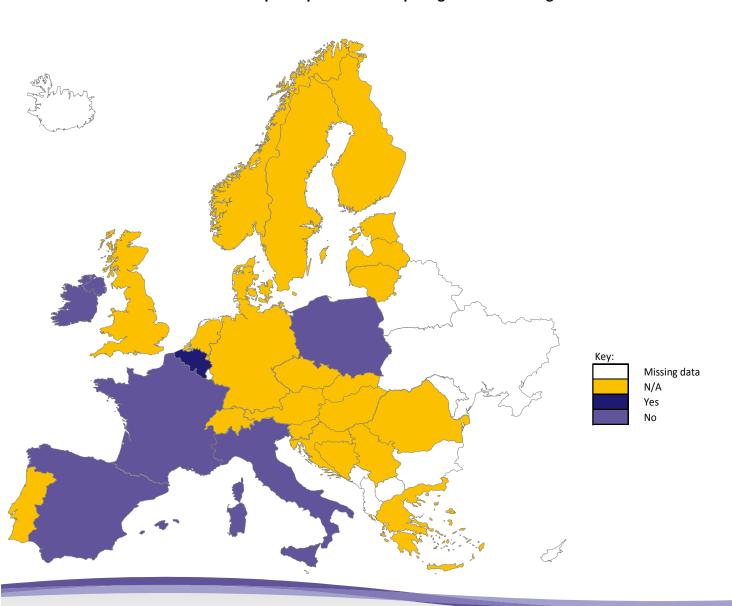


Load participation - Participating in the balancing services - Other storage consumers



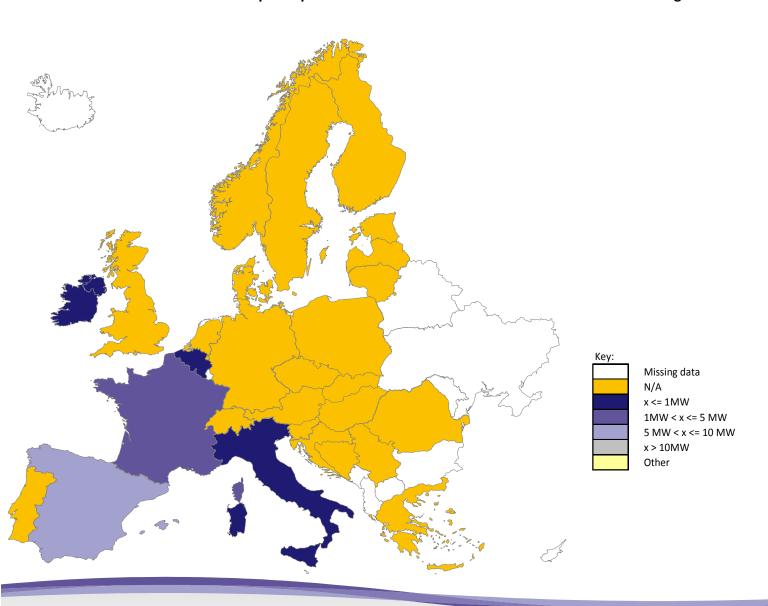


Load participation - Participating in the balancing services -Other consumers



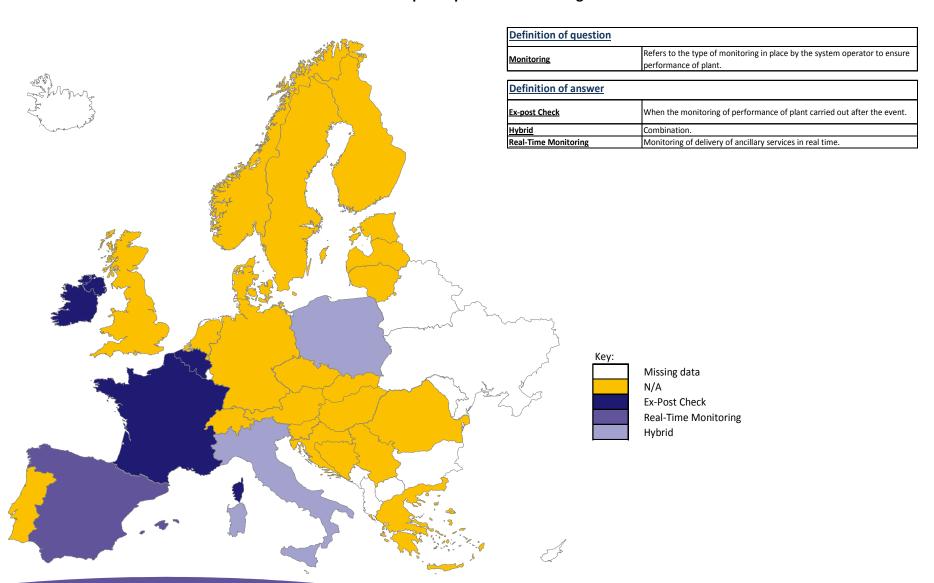


Load participation - Product resolution for load BSP's in the balancing services



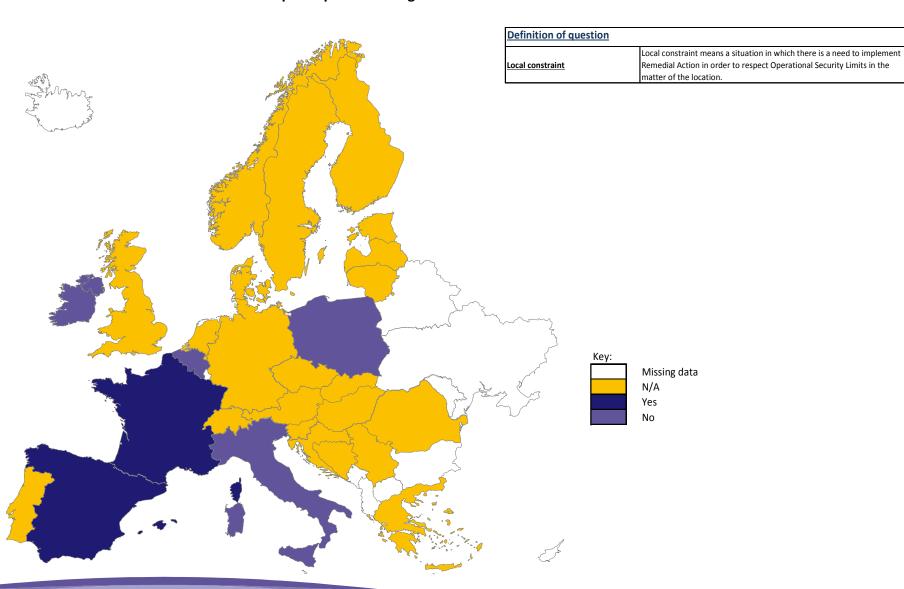


Load participation - Monitoring



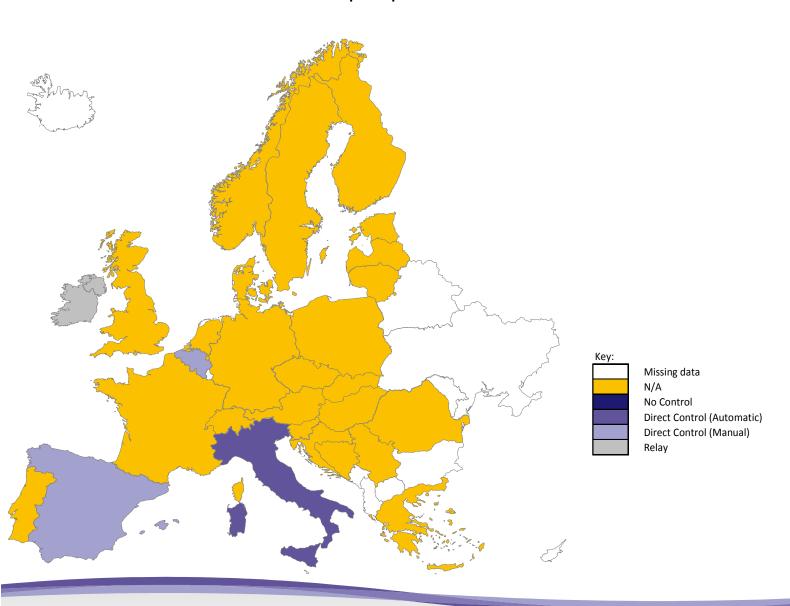


Load participation - Using load BSP's in order to solve local constraints





Load participation - Level of the control of the TSO





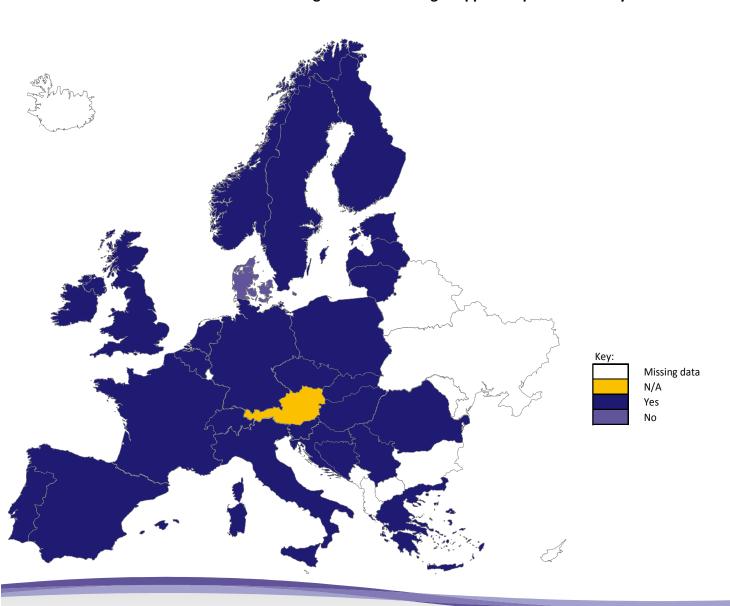


Voltage control

(Referring to questions of AS survey from VC1.0 to VCQ12.0)



Voltage control - Voltage support as part of ancillary services





Voltage Control - Which power plants have to provide voltage control? Is it a mandatory service in your country? 1/3

TSO	Answer
ADMIE	Production units of > 2 MW (RES are exempted) have to comply with technical regulation and have minimum requirements to provide voltage control.
APG	It is a mandatory service.
CEPS	All units connected to the grid must be capable of voltage control.
EirGrid	Yes. Tage control.
Elering	It is mandatory. All power plants that are connected to the main grid must have voltage control capability.
Elia	Power plants above 25 MW of installed capacity are obliged by technical regulation to be able to provide voltage control service to Elia (automatic & manual reaction at Elia's request), and thus dispose and install specific equipment's to do so. Power plants below 25 MW of installed capacity are obliged by technical regulation to be able to switch between at least 2 reactive mode at Elia's request.



Voltage Control - Which power plants have to provide voltage control? Is it a mandatory service in your country? 2/3

TSO	Answer
EMS	All PP connected to transmission system. It is mandatory service.
Fingrid	Mandatory for all power plants.
German TSOs	The framework of voltage control requirements for plants connected to the high-voltage grid is provided by the German Transmission Code. Concrete requirements within the given framework are agreed between connecting TSO and power plant operator and included in the grid connection contracts. A similar framework does also exist for medium-voltage grids.
HOPS	All. There is a mandatory range. Beside it, it has to be payed.
Litgrid	All power plant conected to transmission gird. All running generator shall provide votage support according technical possibilities from generator.
MAVIR	If the installed capacity is more than 50 MW and the power plant is connected to the transmission grid or 132 kV, the service is mandatory.
NOS BiH	It is a mandatory service.

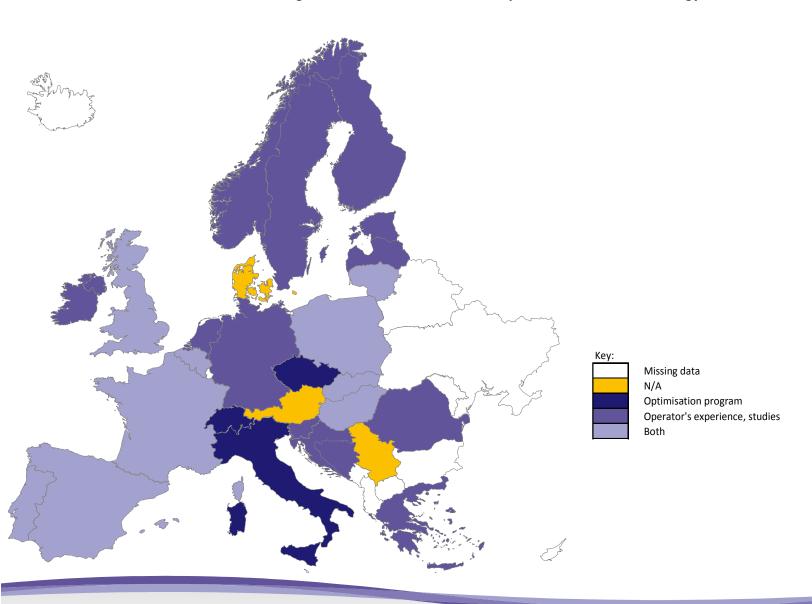


Voltage Control - Which power plants have to provide voltage control? Is it a mandatory service in your country? 3/3

TSO	Answer
PSE	All generating units according to the Polish Grid Code are obliged to control the voltage, centrally dispatched units are contracted for such service.
REE	Mandatory service Regarding transmission system, all units connected to this level with rated power equal or above 30 MW should provide it.
RTE	Every G.U. connected to RTE grid has to provide voltage control. The type of control depends on several parameters as it is explained in the question below (VCQ2).
SEPS	Primary voltage control is mandatory and secondary voltage control is paid service. We use secondary voltage control just at transmission level (400 kV and 220 kV).
Swissgrid	All power plants directly connected to the transmission system which are in operation (production, pump mode or synchronous/phase shifting mode), within the scope of their available reactive power that can be exchanged with the transmission system without compromising the active power.
TenneT TSO BV NL	Generators > 5 MW mandatory capability, contracted service.

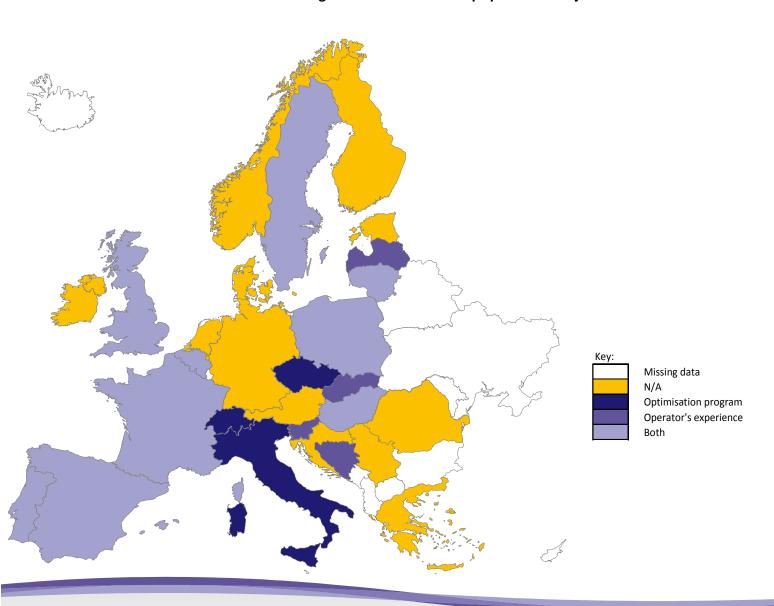


Voltage control - Determination the optimal use of reactive energy



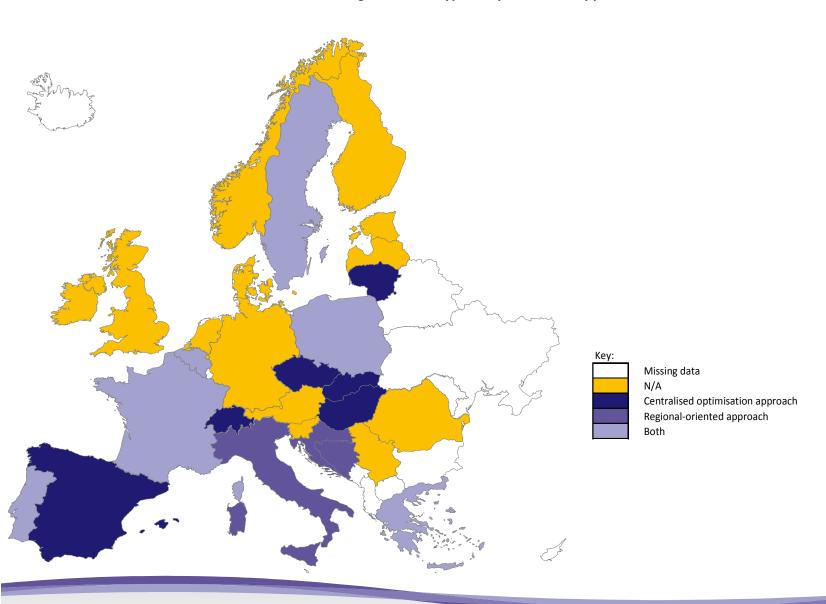


Voltage control - In case of opt.problem - objective function



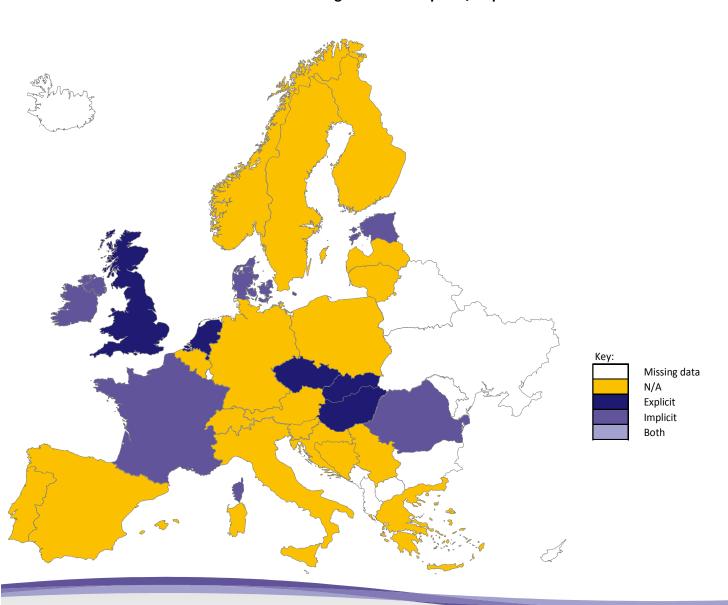


Voltage control - Type of optimization approach



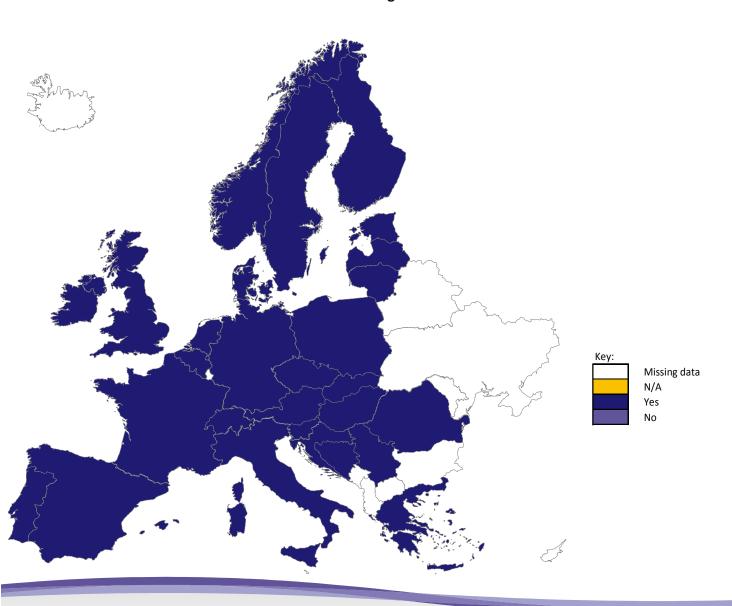


Voltage control - Implicit / explicit offers bids from BSP



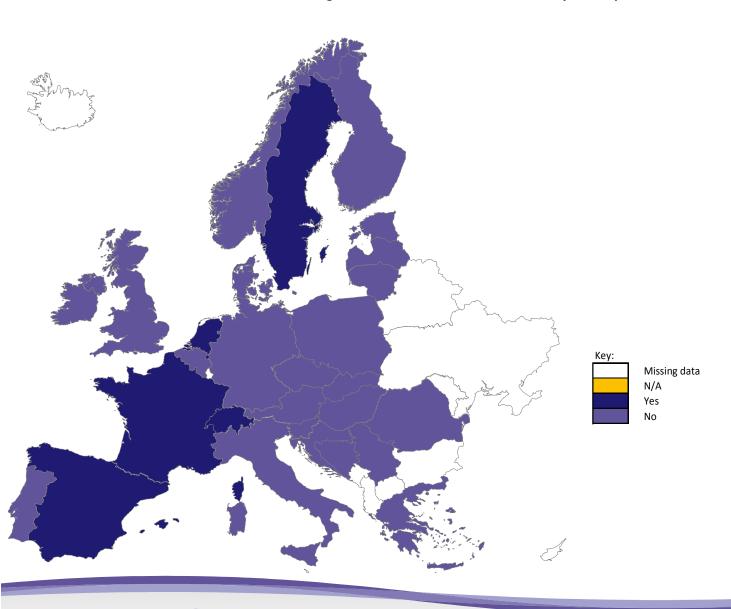


Voltage control - Provider - Generators



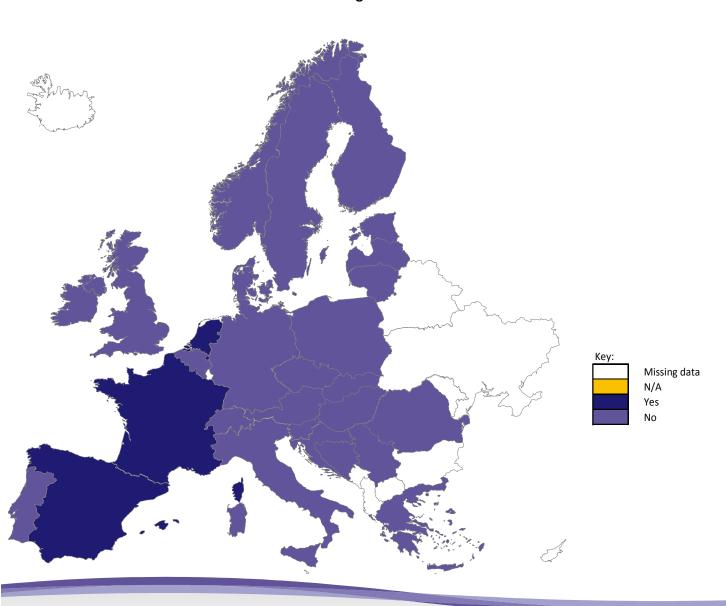


Voltage control - Provider - Distribution system operators



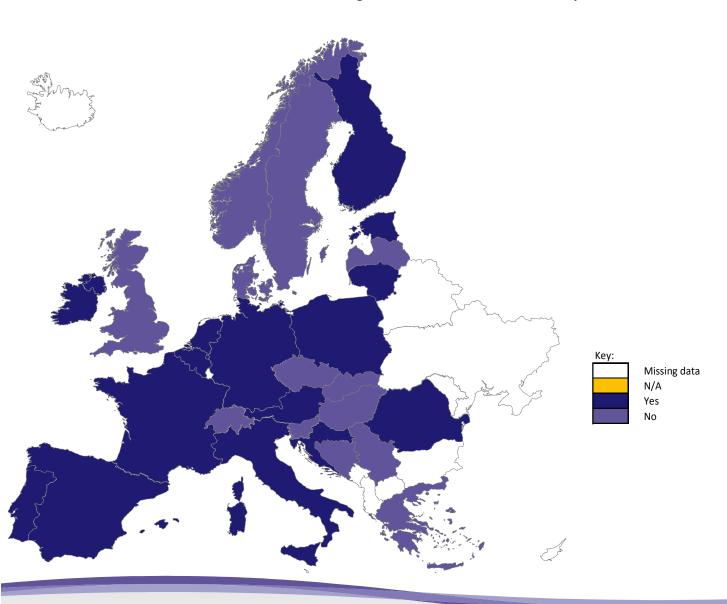


Voltage control - Provider - Industrial consumers



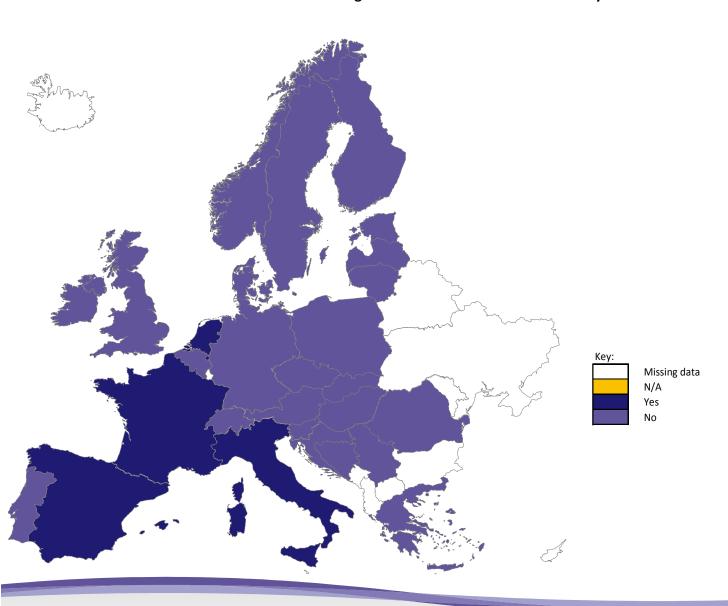


Voltage control - Provider - Windfarm producers



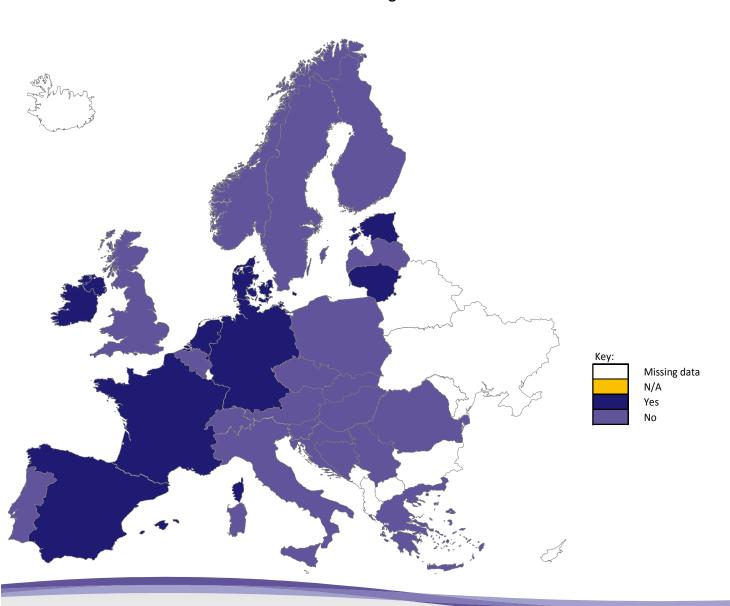


Voltage control - Provider - Photovoltaic systems



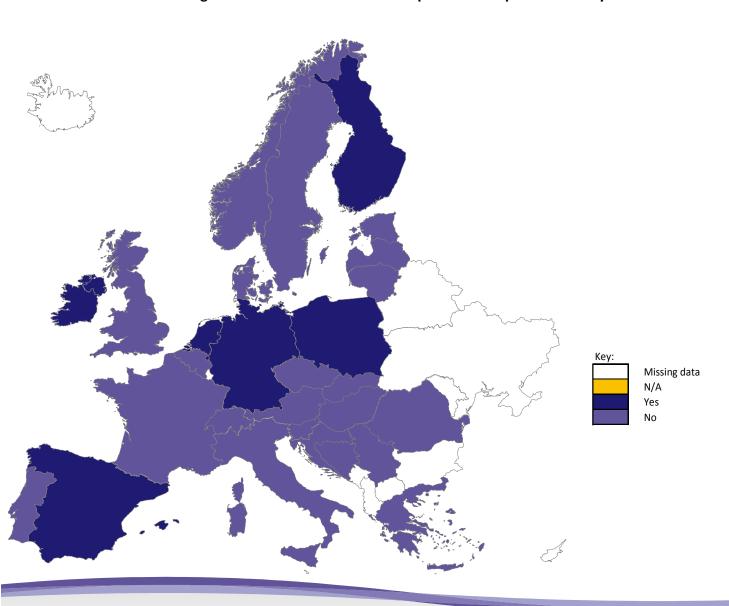


Voltage control - Provider - HVDC links



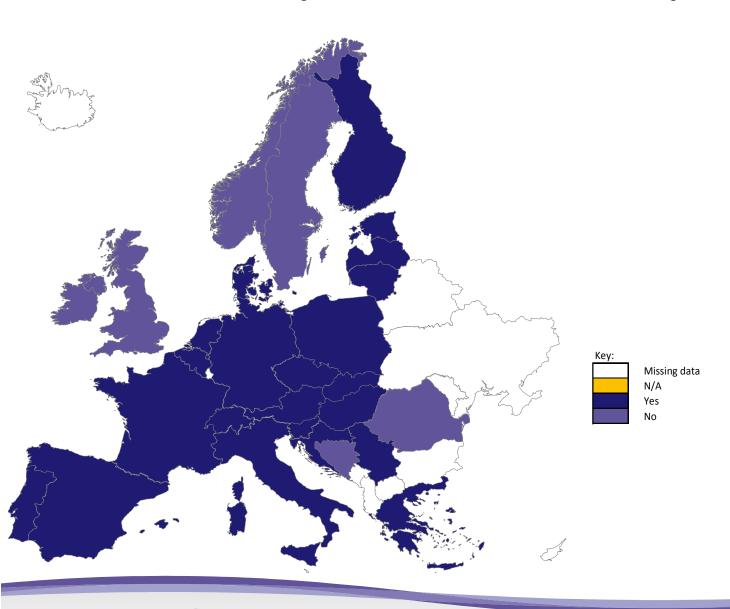


Voltage control - Provider - Windfarm producers or photovoltaic systems connected on the DSO



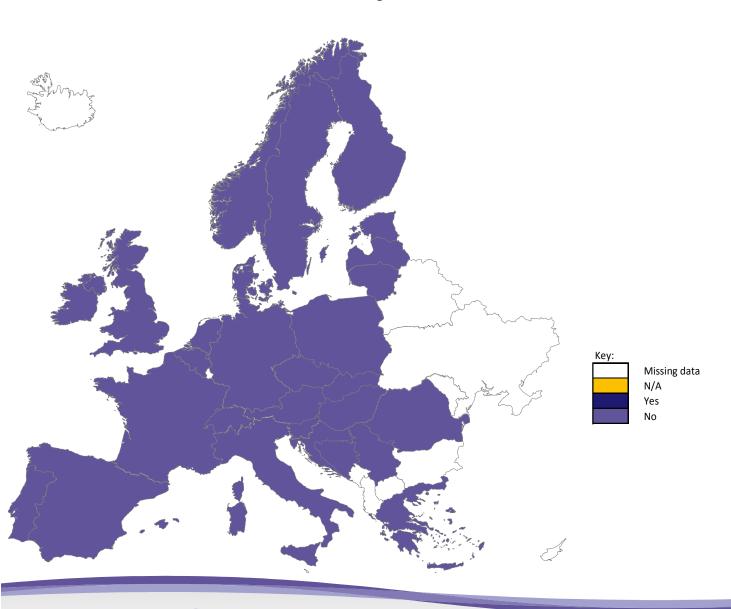


Voltage control - Provider - Transformers of the transmission grid



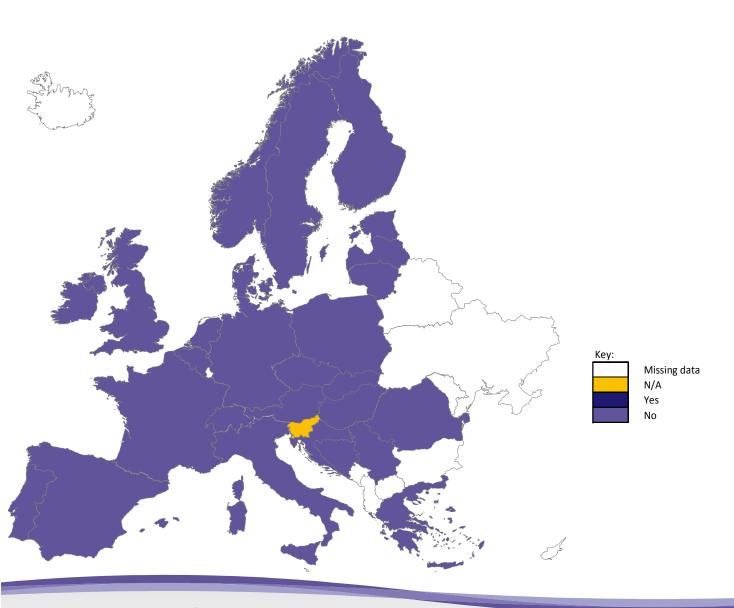


Voltage control - Provider - None of above



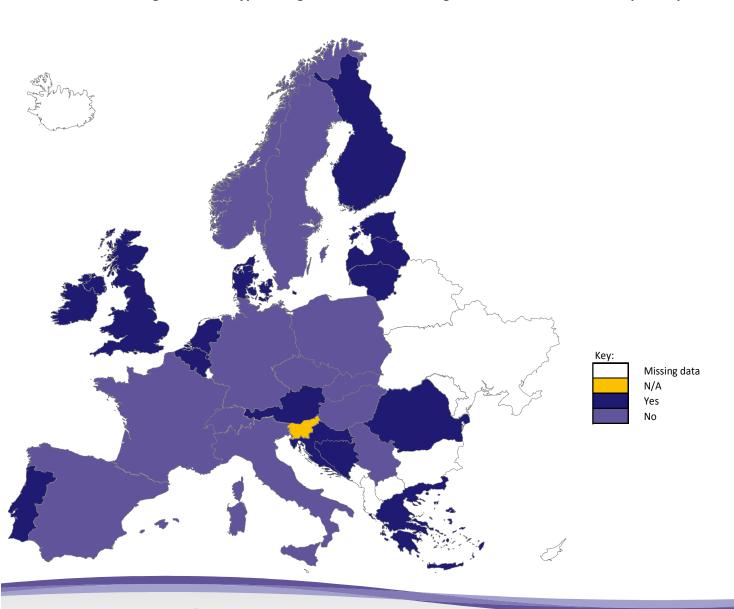


Voltage control - Type of regulations for the voltage control demanded to the power plants - No regulation



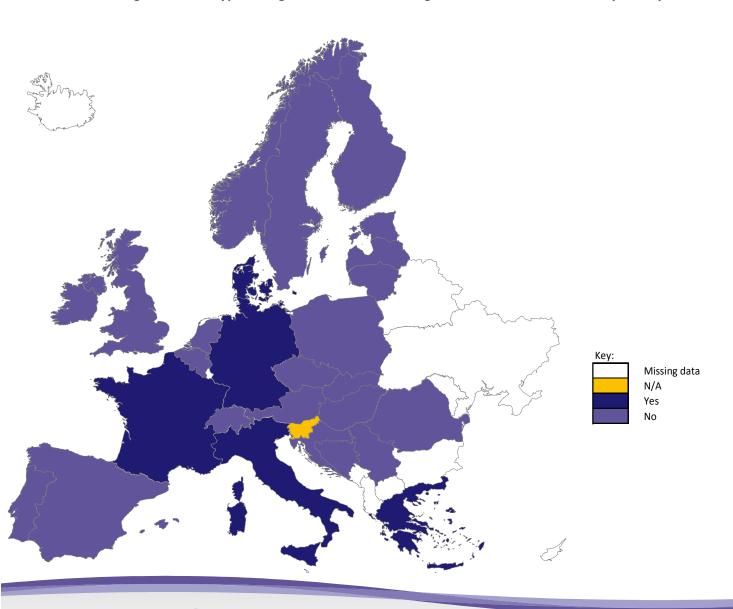


Voltage control - Type of regulations for the voltage control demanded to the power plants - Reactive setpoint



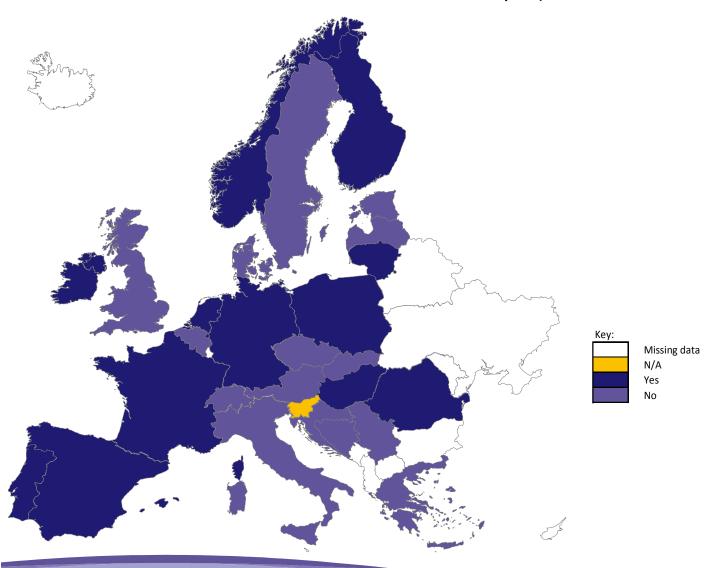


Voltage control - Type of regulations for the voltage control demanded to the power plants - Voltage stator setpoint



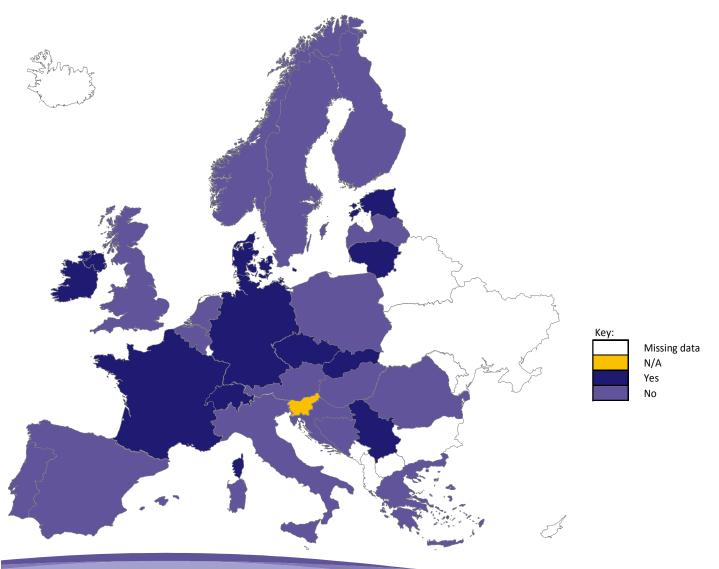


Voltage control - Type of regulations for the voltage control demanded to the power plants - Voltage setpoint at the connexion point (fixed value at EHV point)



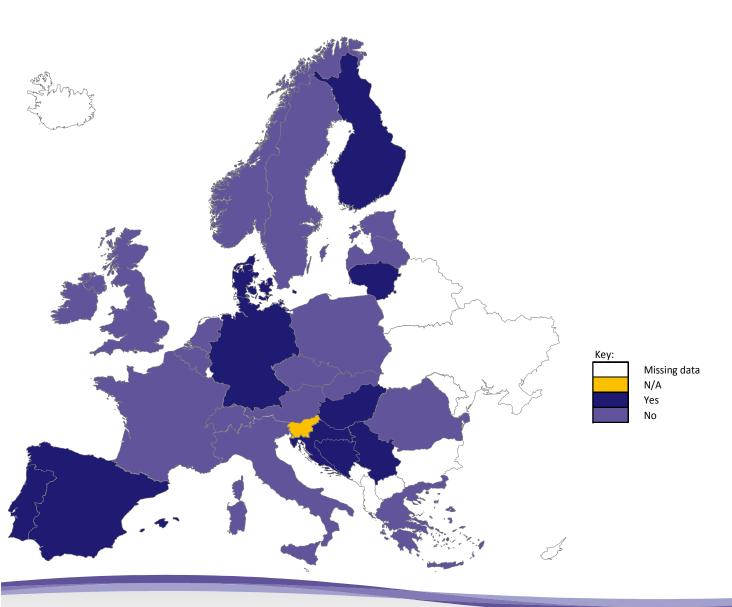


Voltage control - Type of regulations for the voltage control demanded to the power plants - Voltage setpoint at the connexion point function of a signal sent by the TSO (possibility of variation of the EHV setpoint)



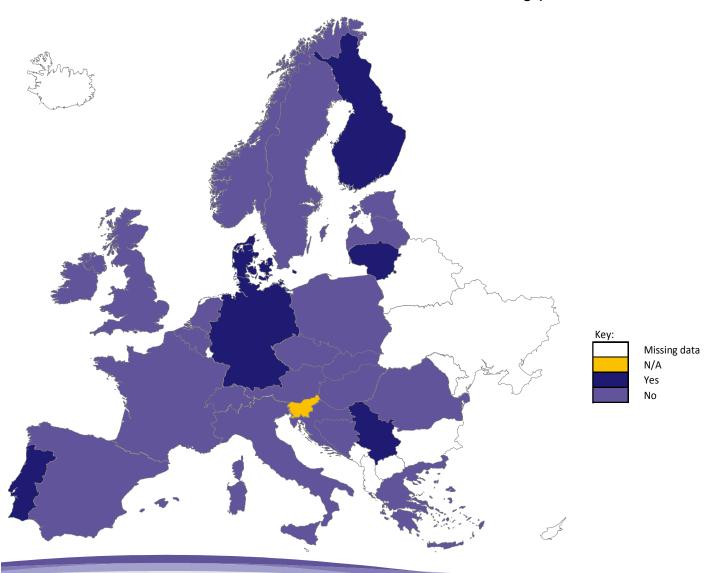


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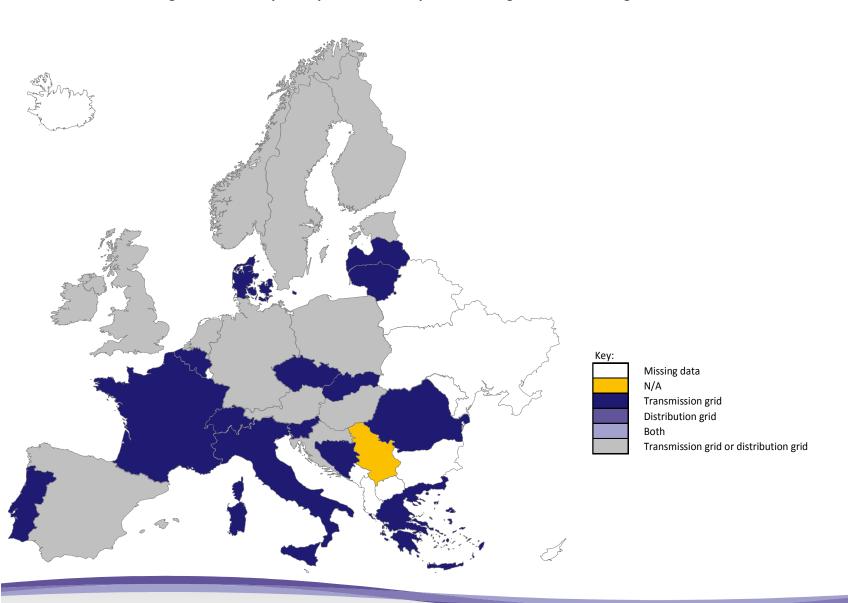


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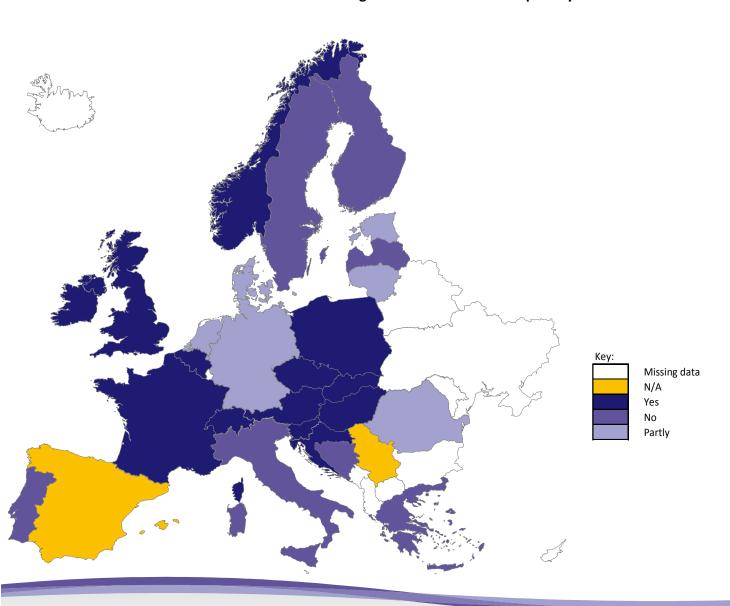


Voltage control - If a power plant is able to provide voltage control, which grid it should be connected to?



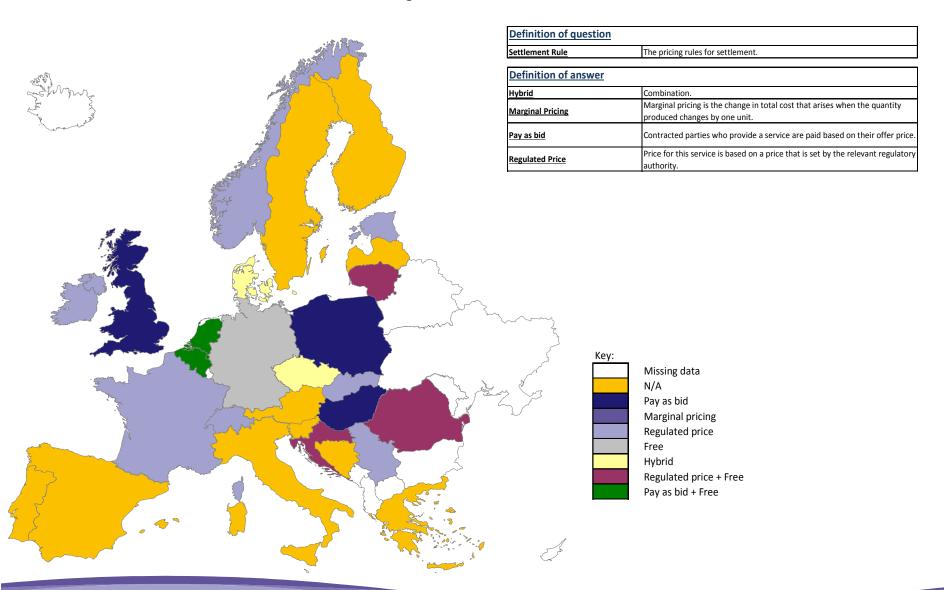


Voltage control - Is it a service paid by the TSO?



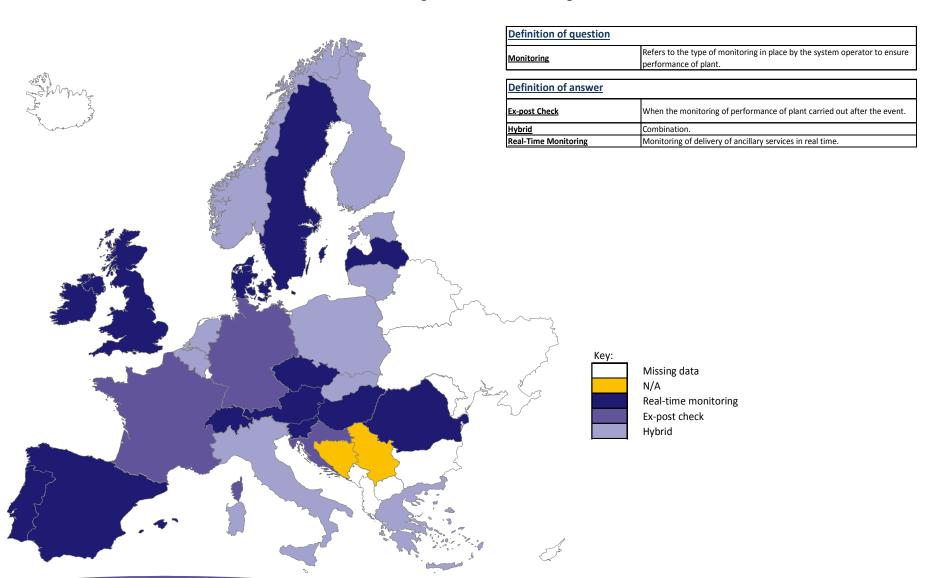


Voltage control - Settlement Rule



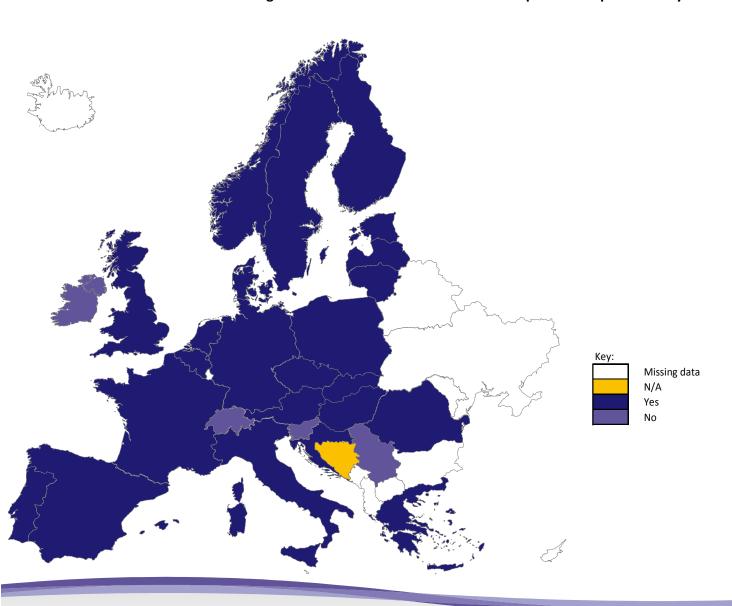


Voltage control - Monitoring



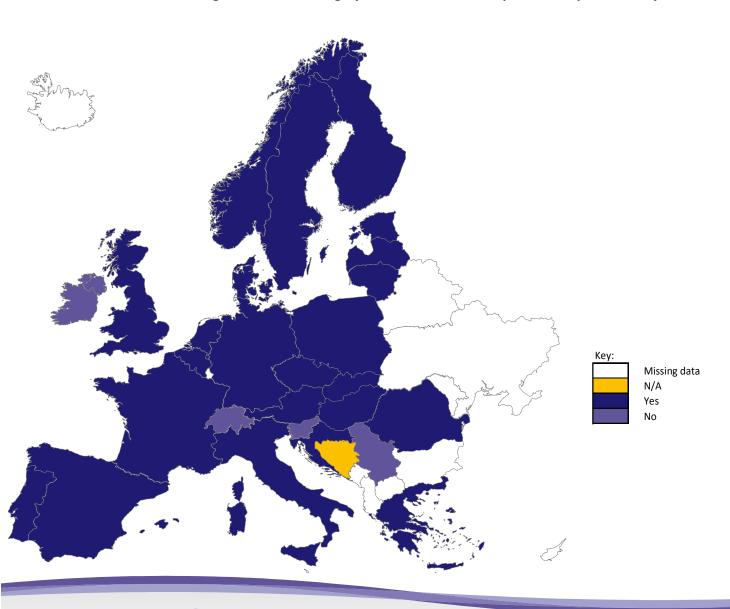


Voltage control - Does the TSO own reactive power compensation systems?



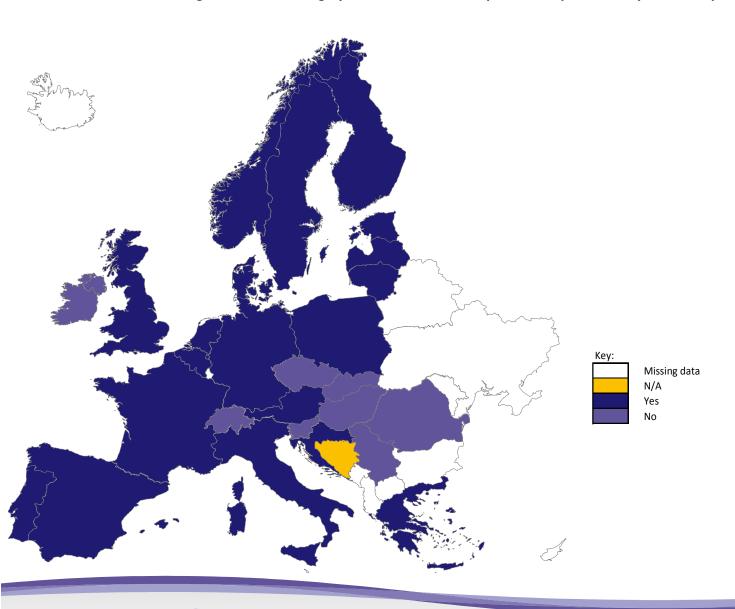


Voltage control - Owning by the TSO the reactive power compensation systems - Inductance



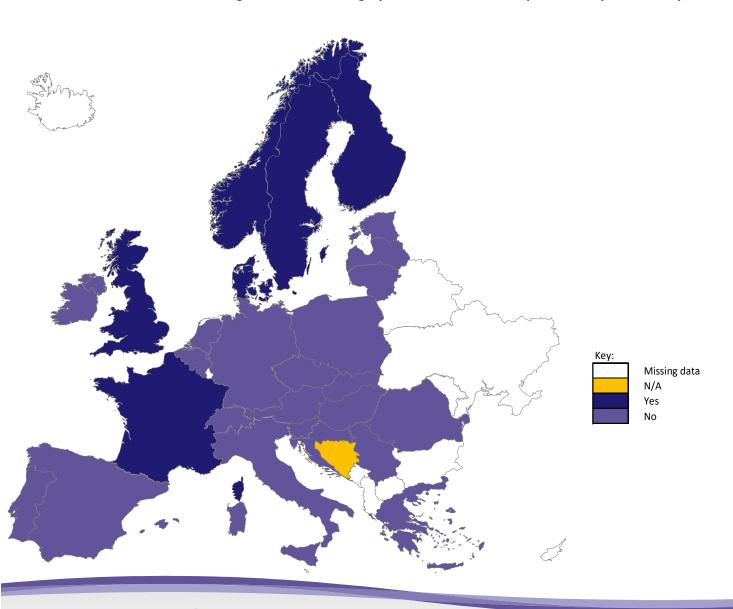


Voltage control - Owning by the TSO the reactive power compensation systems - Capacitor banks



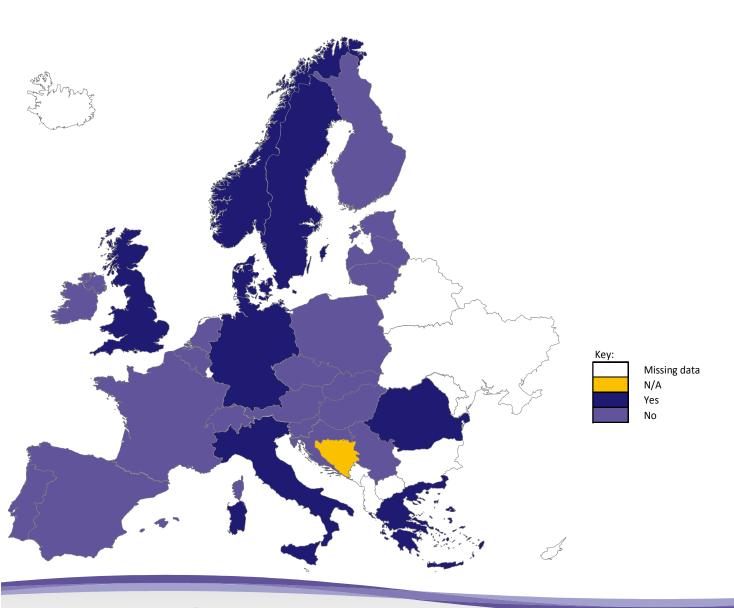


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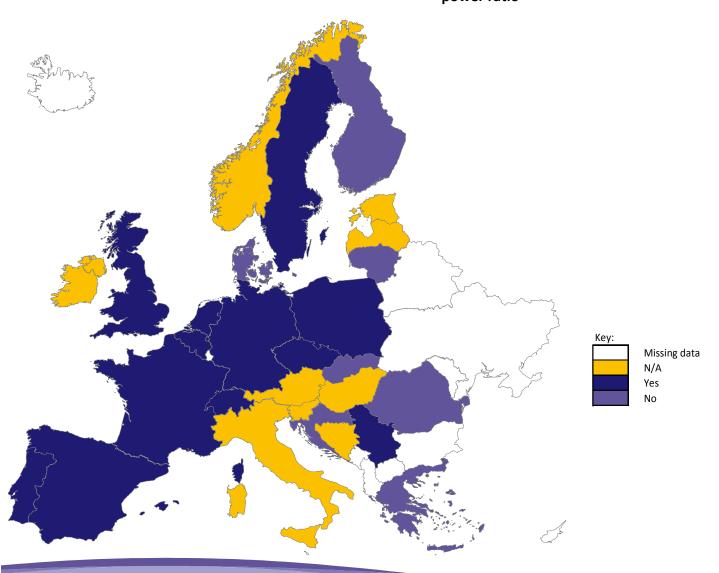


Voltage control - Owning by the TSO the reactive power compensation systems - Synchronous compensator



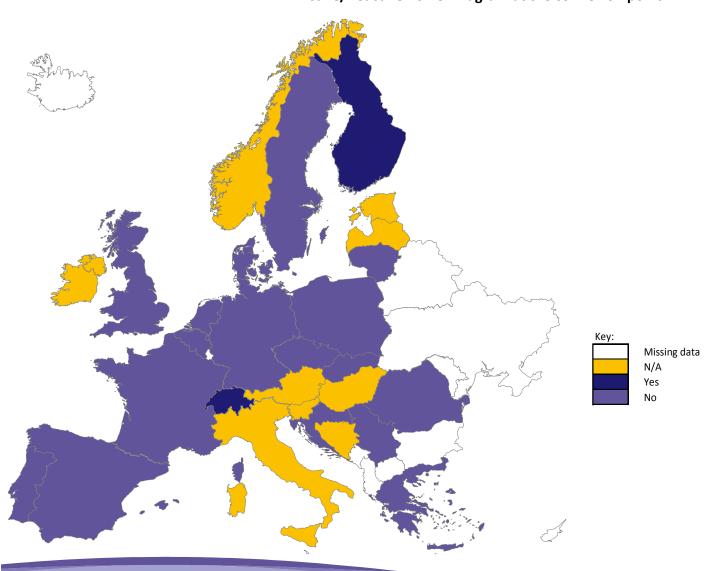


Voltage control - Settlement rules for the exchange of reactive power between transmission and distribution grids - Respect a Reactive/Active power ratio



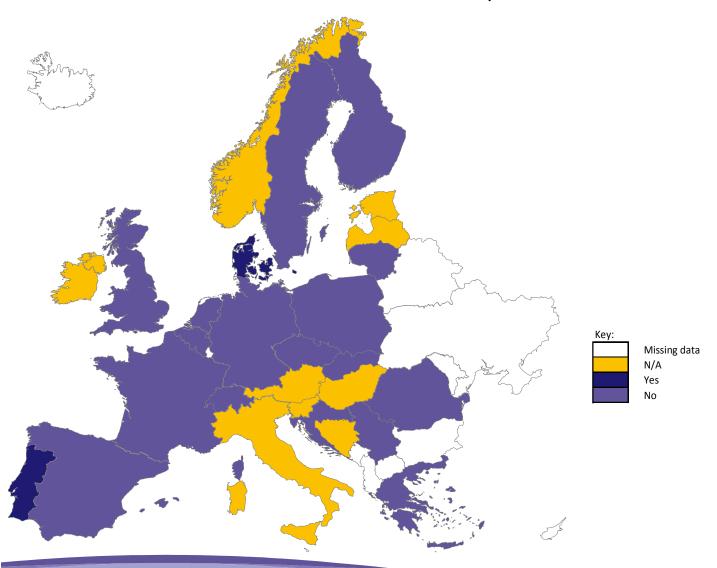


Voltage control - Settlement rules for the exchange of reactive power between transmission and distribution grids - Respect of an Active/Reactive Power Diagram at the connexion point



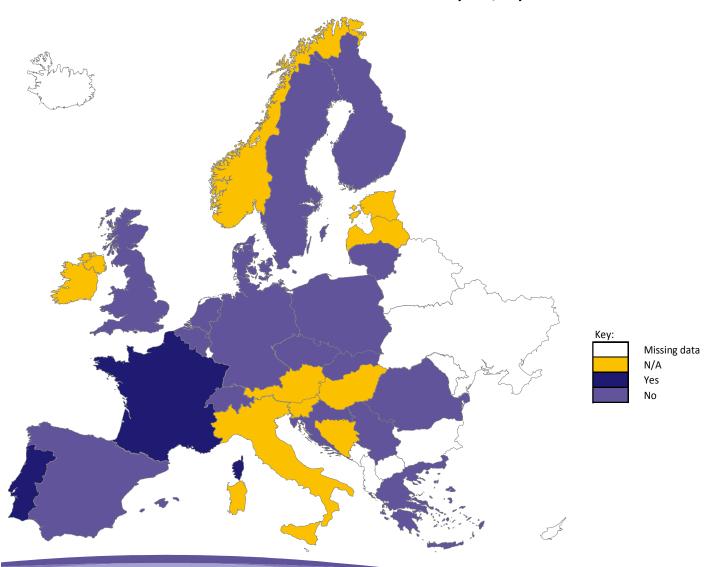


Voltage control - Settlement rules for the exchange of reactive power between transmission and distribution grids - Min/max fixed value of reactive power



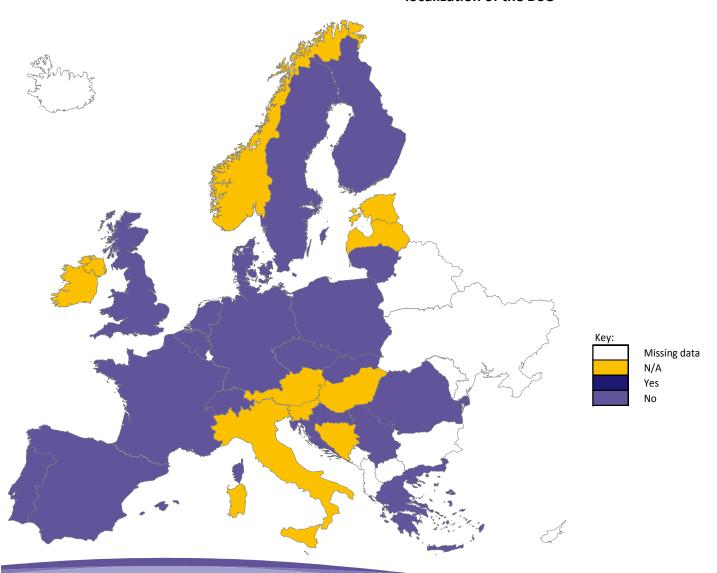


Voltage control - Settlement rules for the exchange of reactive power between transmission and distribution grids - Depending of the period of the day and/or year



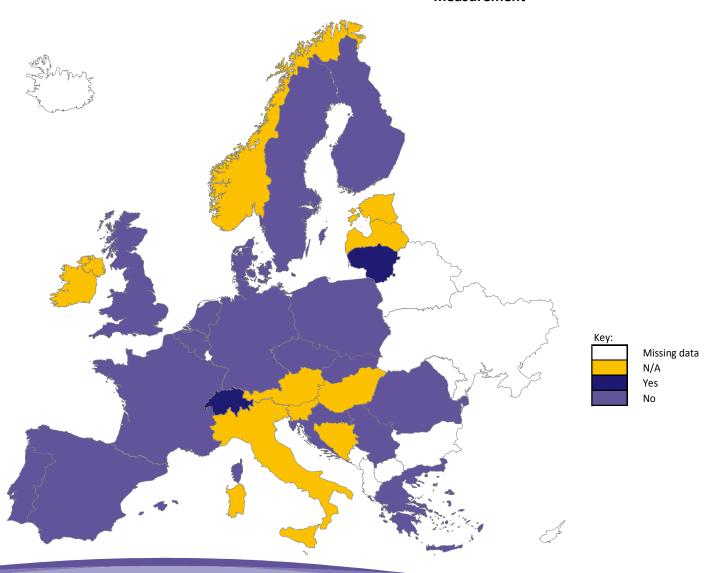


Voltage control - Settlement rules for the exchange of reactive power between transmission and distribution grids - Depending on the localization of the DSO



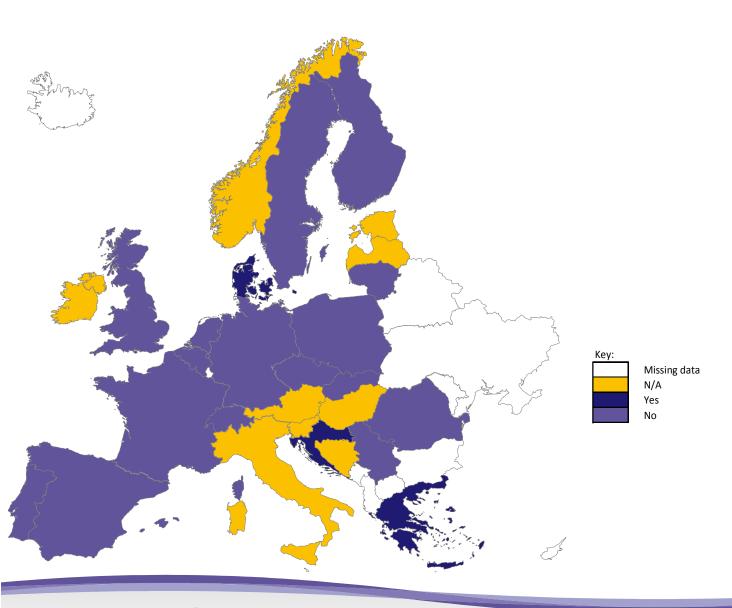


Voltage control - Settlement rules for the exchange of reactive power between transmission and distribution grids - According to the measurement



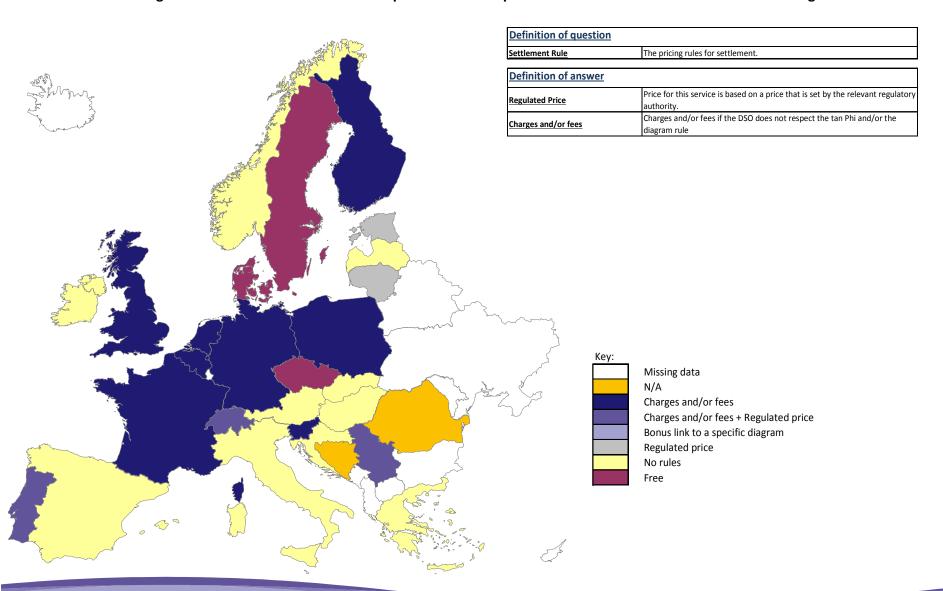


Voltage control - Settlement rules for the exchange of reactive power between transmission and distribution grids - No rules



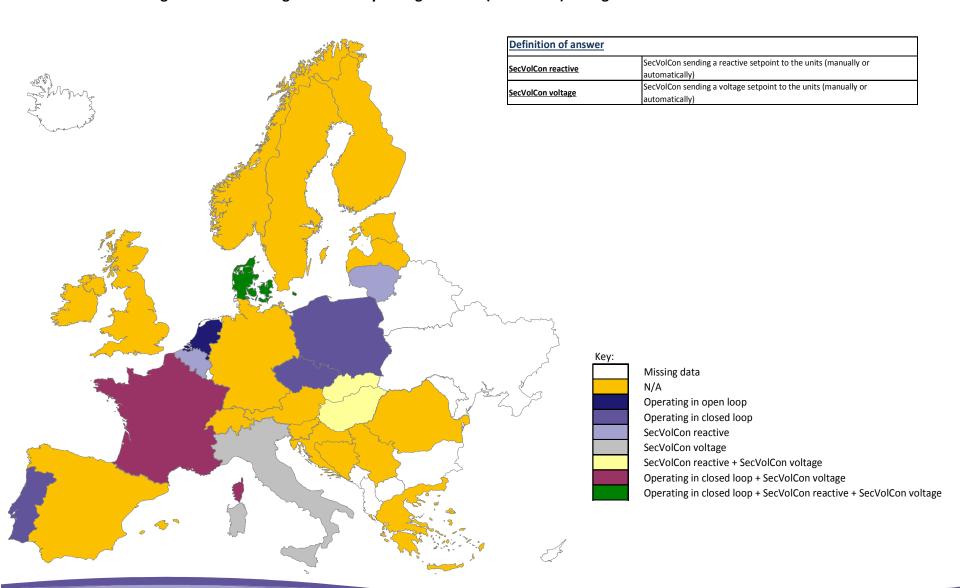


Voltage control - Settlement Rule for the price of reactive power between transmission and distribution grids



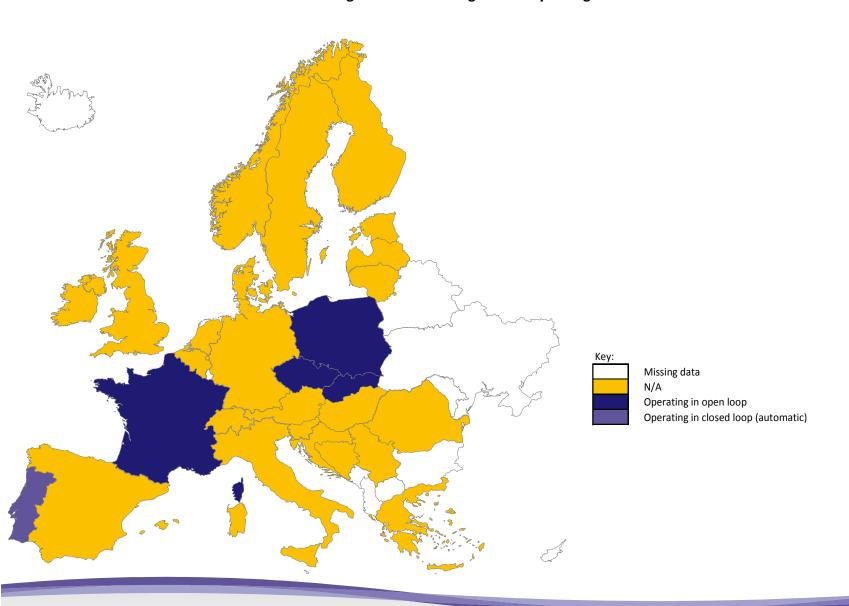


Voltage control - Existing of secondary voltage control (SecVolCon) voltage control for the nominated mains





Voltage control - Existing of tertiary voltage control







Black start

(Referring to questions of AS survey from BSQ1.0 to BSQ13.0)



Black Start - Which power plants have to provide black start (for example: capacity, technology etc)? Is it a mandatory service in your country? 1/3

TSO	Answer
ADMIE	Predefined power plants have to provide Black Start service.
APG	Black start provision according to respective black-start concepts, based on grid connection and specific contracts.
AST	No special rules - agreement with hydro power plant for providing the service.
CEPS	No obligations to provide black start for any unit.
EirGrid	It is not mandatory in Rol. It is mandatory in NI. Technologies providing black start: Hydro, pumped storage & open cycle gas turbines.
Elering	Black start service is provided by power plants which are included in the restoration plan as black start providers. It is not a mandatory service.
ELES	No.
Elia	Gas Power plant & Hydraulic power plants. It is not mandatory.
EMS	HPPs. It is mandatory according to Grid Code.
Energinet.dk	No.



Black Start - Which power plants have to provide black start (for example: capacity, technology etc)? Is it a mandatory service in your country? 2/3

TSO	Answer
Fingrid	Not mandatory, agreed bilaterally with suitable plants.
German TSOs	Black start provision according to respective black-start concepts, based on grid connection and specific contracts.
HOPS	It is mandatory for plants determined by defense plan.
Litgrid	Power plants that are included in the black start plan must provide the black start service (due to technology).
MAVIR	If the installed capacity is more than 500 MW and the power plant is connected to the transmission grid, the service is mandatory. But there are some power plants who are able to provide BS capability, but their installed capacities are less than 500 MW.
National Grid	Not a mandatory service for generators. However, mandatory for NG to maintain Black Start capability – Grid Code & Transmission Licence requirements. Black Start services are procured via bilateral contracts with power stations.
NOS BiH	It is a mandatory service.

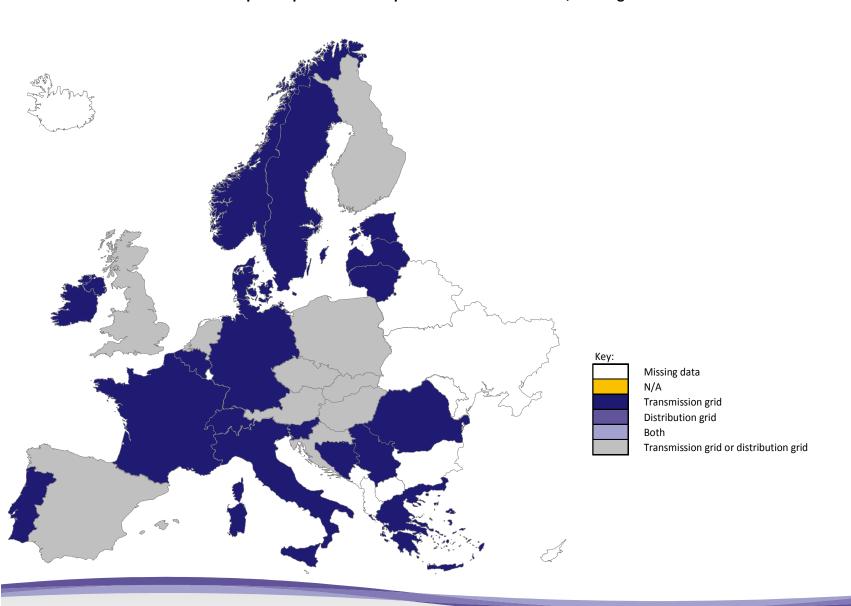


Black Start - Which power plants have to provide black start (for example: capacity, technology etc)? Is it a mandatory service in your country? 3/3

TSO	Answer
PSE	It is not a mandatory service in Poland.
REE	Not a mandatory service; main providers are hydro units.
REN	Black Start is not a mandatory service in Portugal. We have a CCGT and a Hydro that provide that service.
RTE	Nuclear, hydro, gas units.
SEPS	No, this service is not mandatory.
Statnett	Power plants that have a significance impact on the reconstruction of the network or other critical functions: >100MVA.
Svenska kraftnät	We have contracts with some suppliers of blackstart capability.
Swissgrid	Currently 8 power plants are prequalified to provide this service.
TenneT TSO BV NL	It is contracted service. it is not a mandatory service.
Terna	It is not mandatory.
Transelectrica	Power plants that are included in the black start plan must provide the black start service (due to technology).

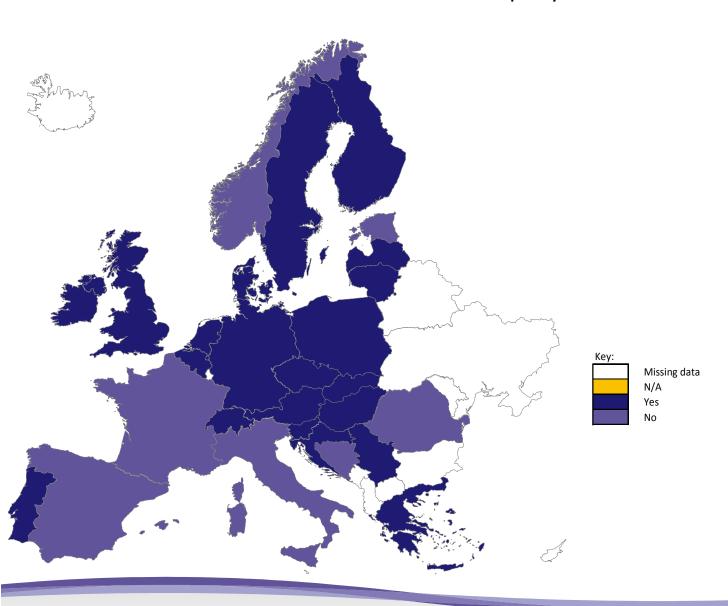


Black Start - If a power plant is able to provide black start service, which grid it should be connected to?



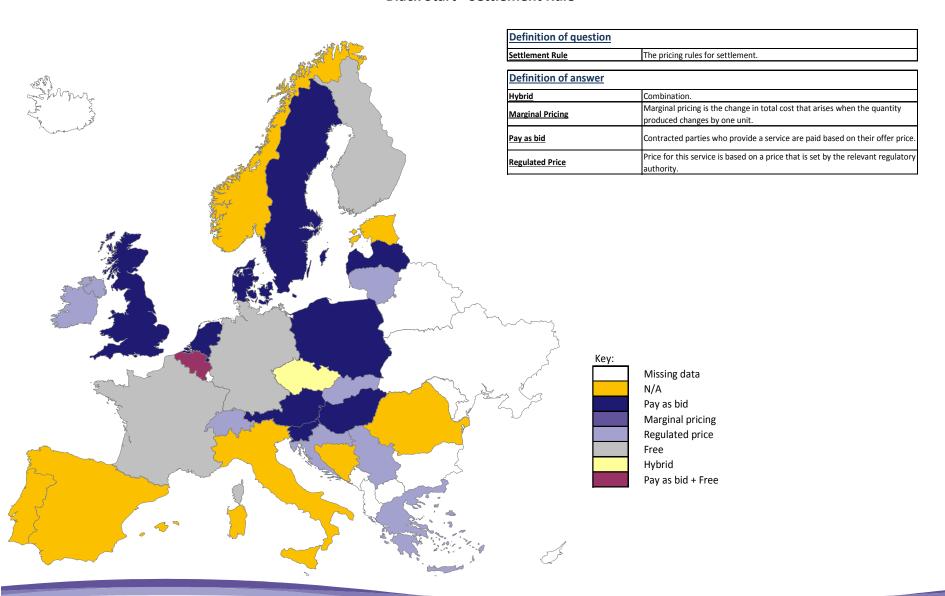


Black Start - Is it a service paid by the TSO?



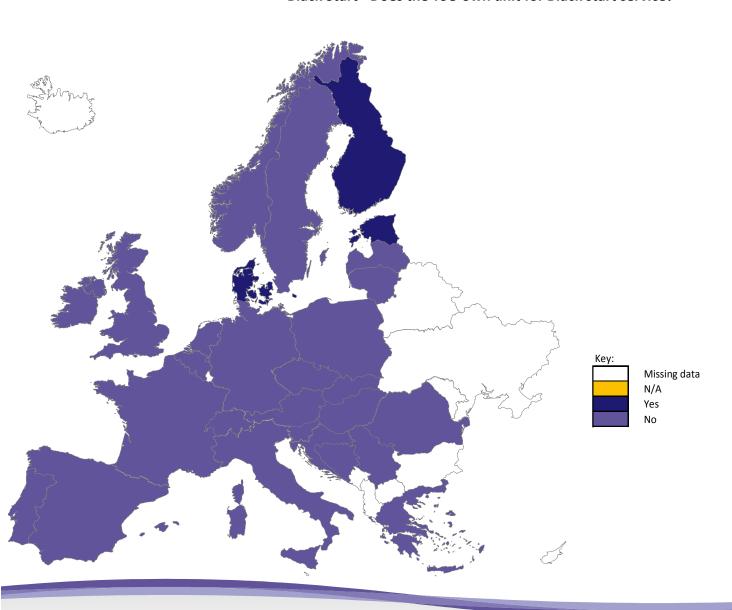


Black Start - Settlement Rule





Black Start - Does the TSO own unit for Black start service?





Black Start - Does the TSO have some special rules for the distributaion/location/number etc of black start service units? 1/3

TSO	Answer
APG	Geographical Distance.
AST	No special rules.
EirGrid	Black Start is procured through a tender process. The location of the service is one of the factors considered in the tender, so that the system can be divided into subsystems for restoration and each subsystem will have one or more sources of black start.
Elering	There is no special rules.
Elia	Number of BS production unit is defined at control level (Belgian control area) but Elia defined specific rules for their location (electrical zones within BE control area).
EMS	No.
Energinet.dk	2 units pr. area (DK1 - DK2). These can be max. 1 VSC HVDC and min. 1 generation units.
German TSOs	According to respective black-start concept.
HOPS	No, exact units are determined by defense plan.



Black Start - Does the TSO have some special rules for the distributaion/location/number etc of black start service units? 2/3

TSO	Answer
Litgrid	No special rules for distribution, black start service unit shall be located in such a place, where is feasible to restart main generation units.
MAVIR	No special rules.
National Grid	Contracting strategy is to split GB in to 6 geographical zones (Scotland, North West, North East, Midlands, South West & South East) and contract for at least 3 Black Start power stations within each zone.
NOS BiH	No.
PSE	TSO is obliged to fullfill standards from OH Policy 5.
REN	No special rules.
RTE	No special rule, we just ensure a sufficient spread over France to fulfil blackstart capacities.
SEPS	Yes, we have a set of different rules. Each application for BS providing is assessed separately.
Svenska kraftnät	Yes, we have a set of different criterias.

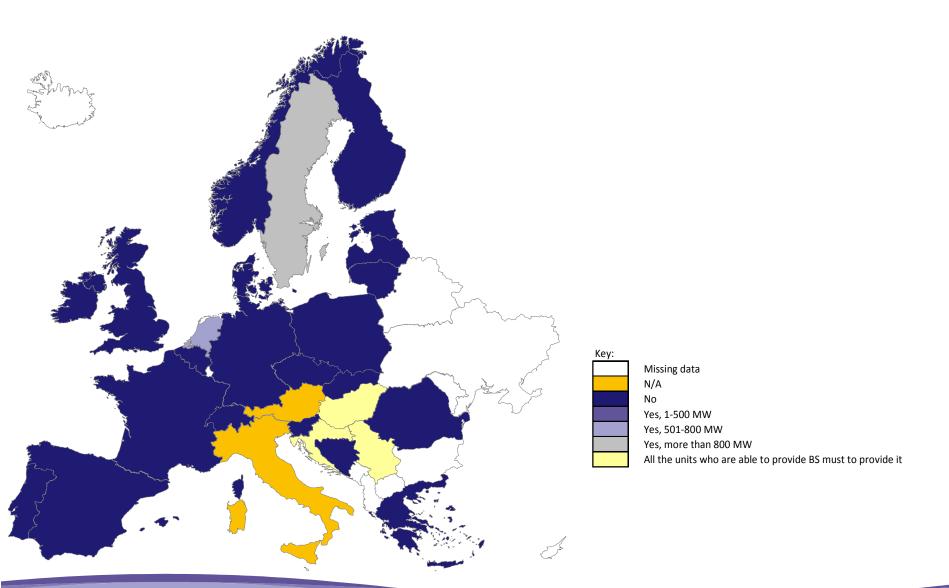


Black Start - Does the TSO have some special rules for the distributaion/location/number etc of black start service units? 3/3

TSO	Answer
Swissgrid	The distribution of the black start service units depends also on the geographical location of the units. It is foreseen to have at least 4 clusters of units providing that service covering the whole Swiss system. These clusters are named accordingly: Middle, East, West, South. The aforementioned concept is not yet in place.
TenneT TSO BV NL	Minimum 3 locations 2 units per location 200 MW capaility per location These are own requirements, i.e. not regulated (see next question).
Terna	We have a fixed number of "restoration path,".
Transelectrica	Geographical distance according to respective black-start concept.

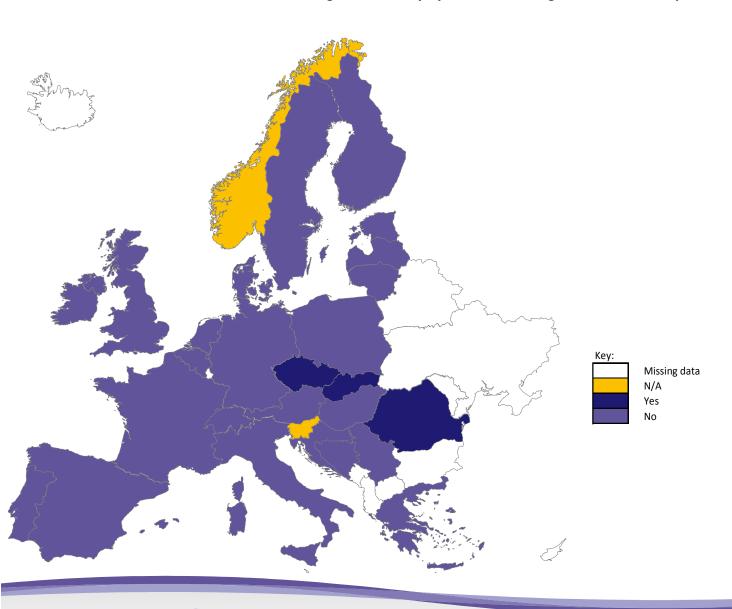


Black Start - Does the TSO have a regulated amount of BS control (regarding the whole control area)?



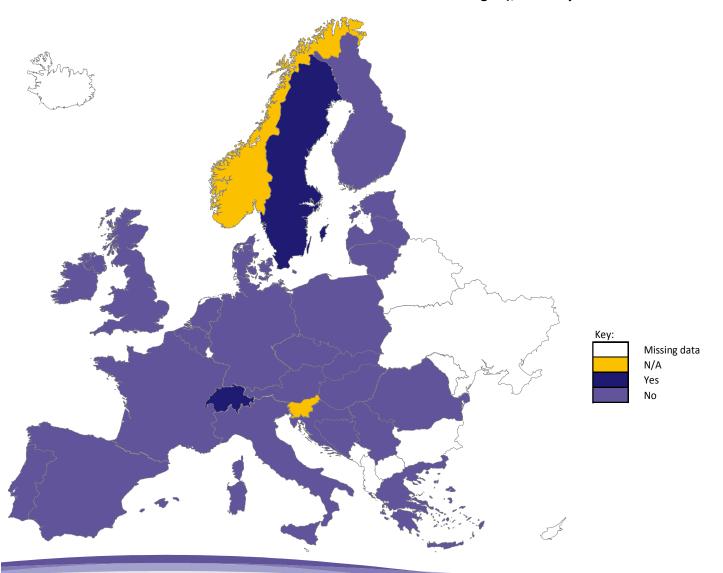


Black Start - Testing the BS ability by the TSO - During the accreditation process only



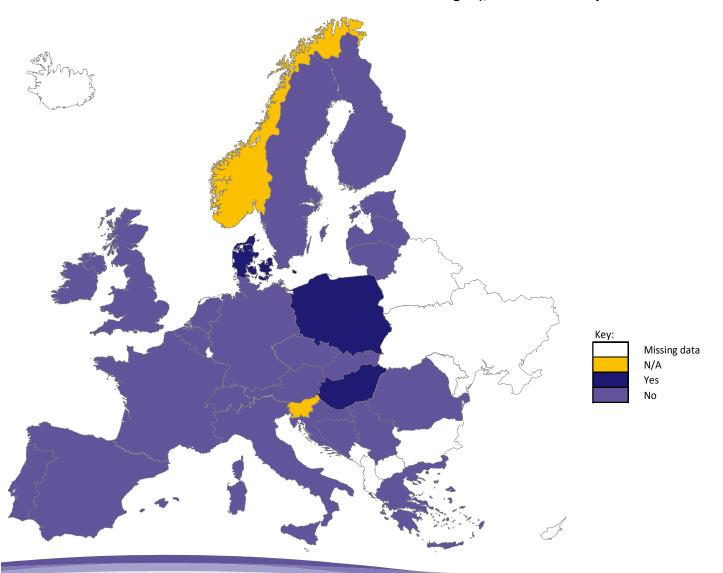


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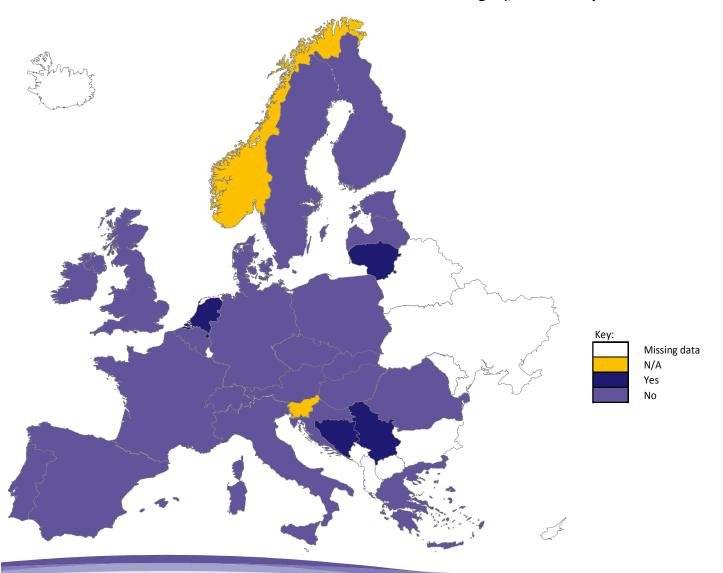


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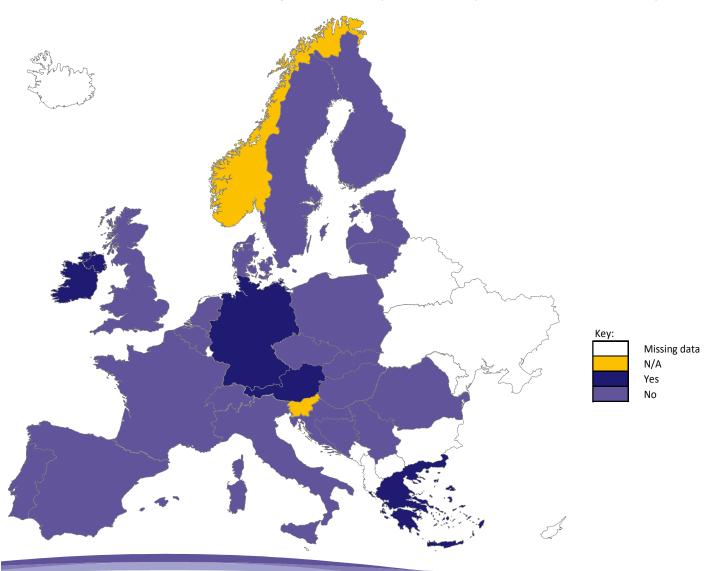


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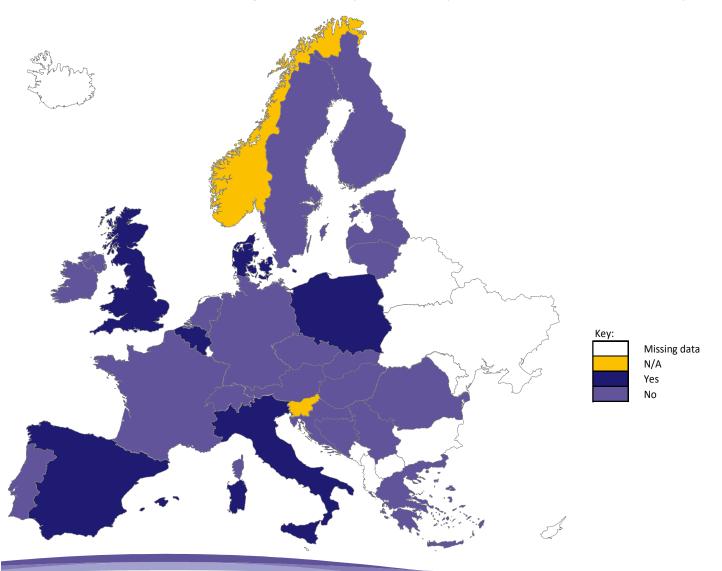


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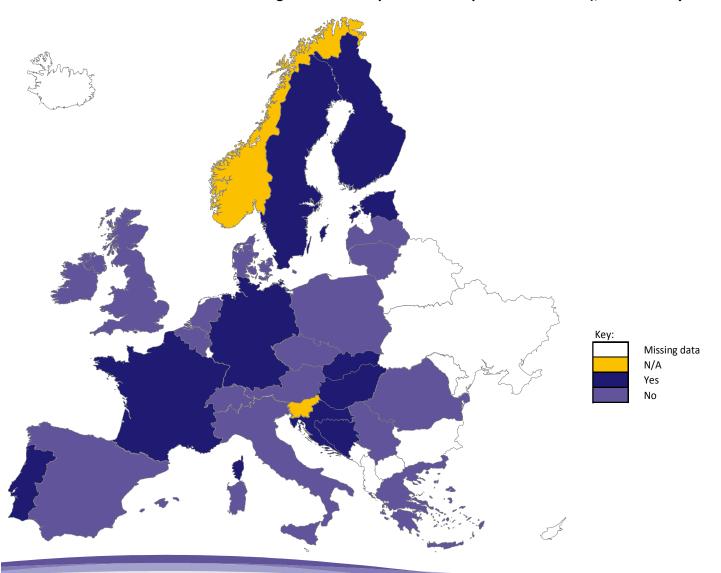


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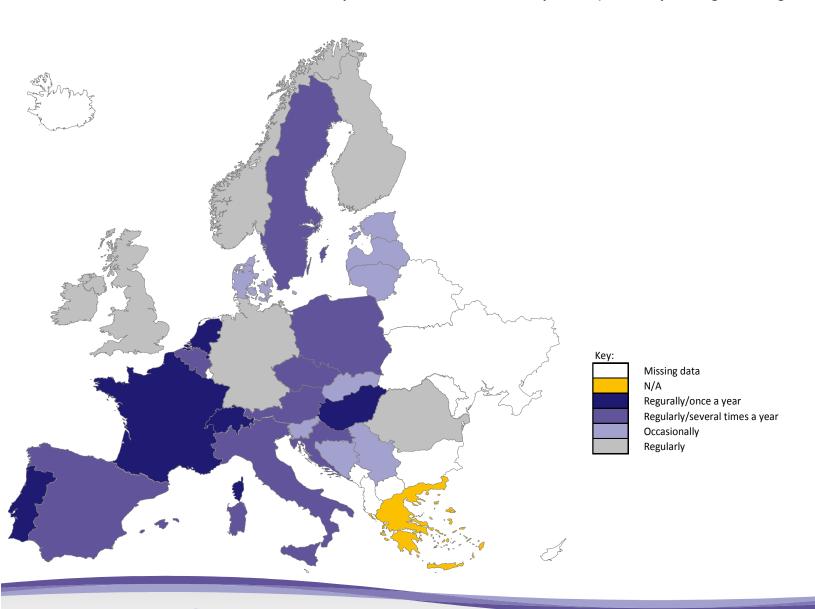


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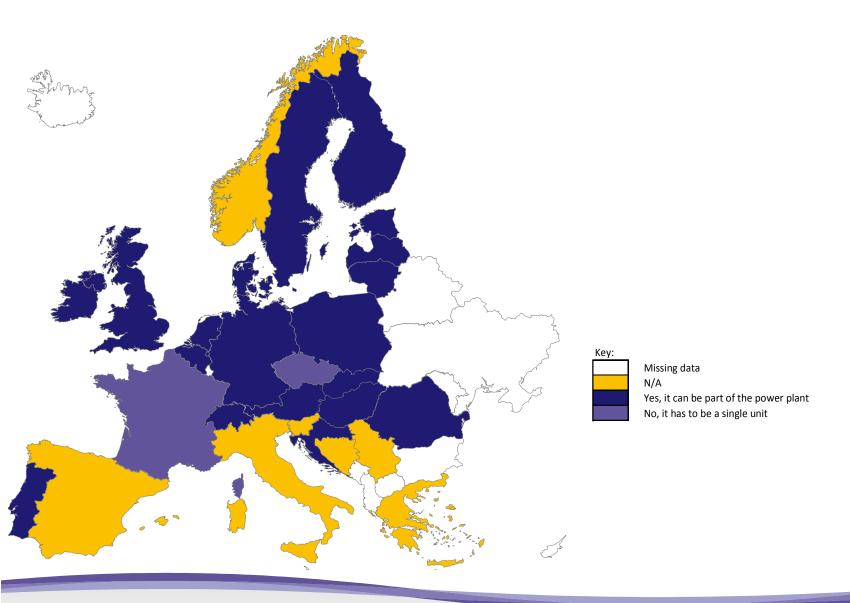


Black Start - How often does the TSO practise the method of the BS process (for example using a training simulator)?



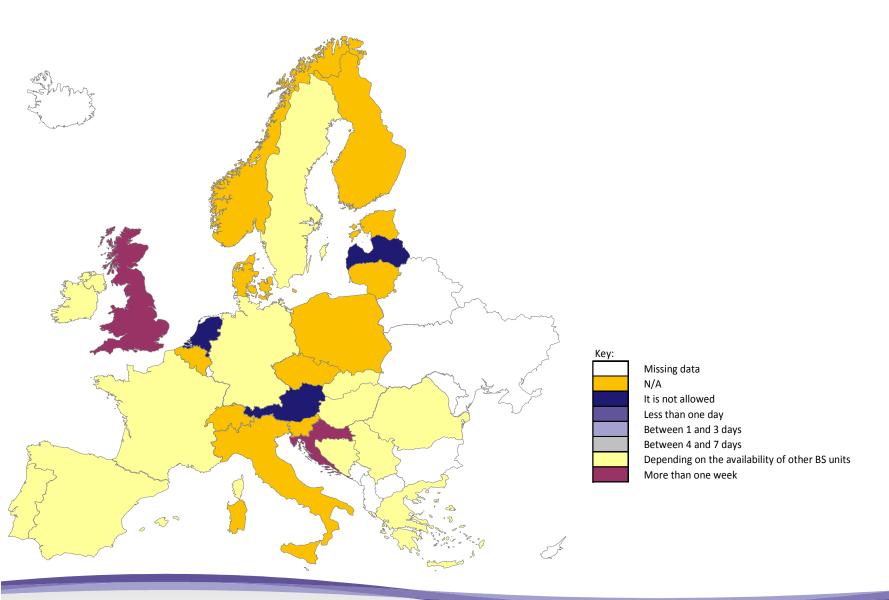


Black Start - Should be the Black start service provided by a single unit or it is allowed to be a part of a power plant?



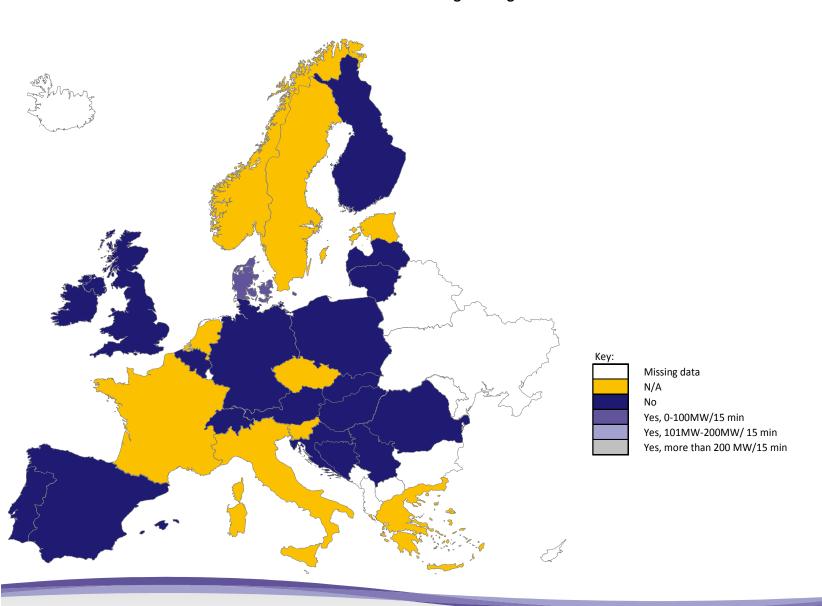


Black Start - How long is the acceptable non-availability period of the BS unit (planned, for example: resurrection&mainteance of the unit)?





Black Start - Is there a regulated gradient for the BS unit?





Black Start - Monitoring

