

TSI 2027 multicountry proposal: Permitting for grids and renewables

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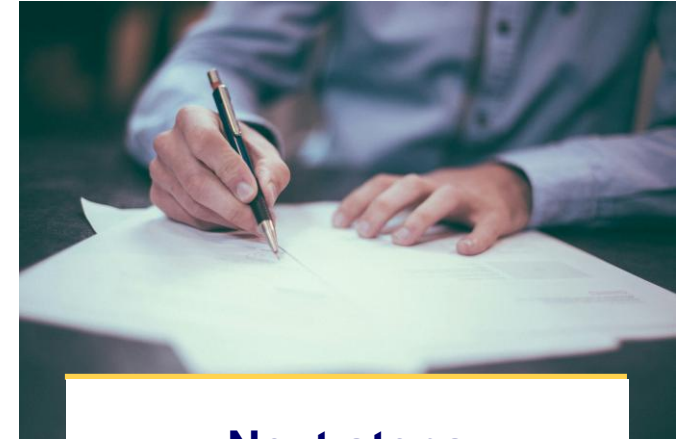
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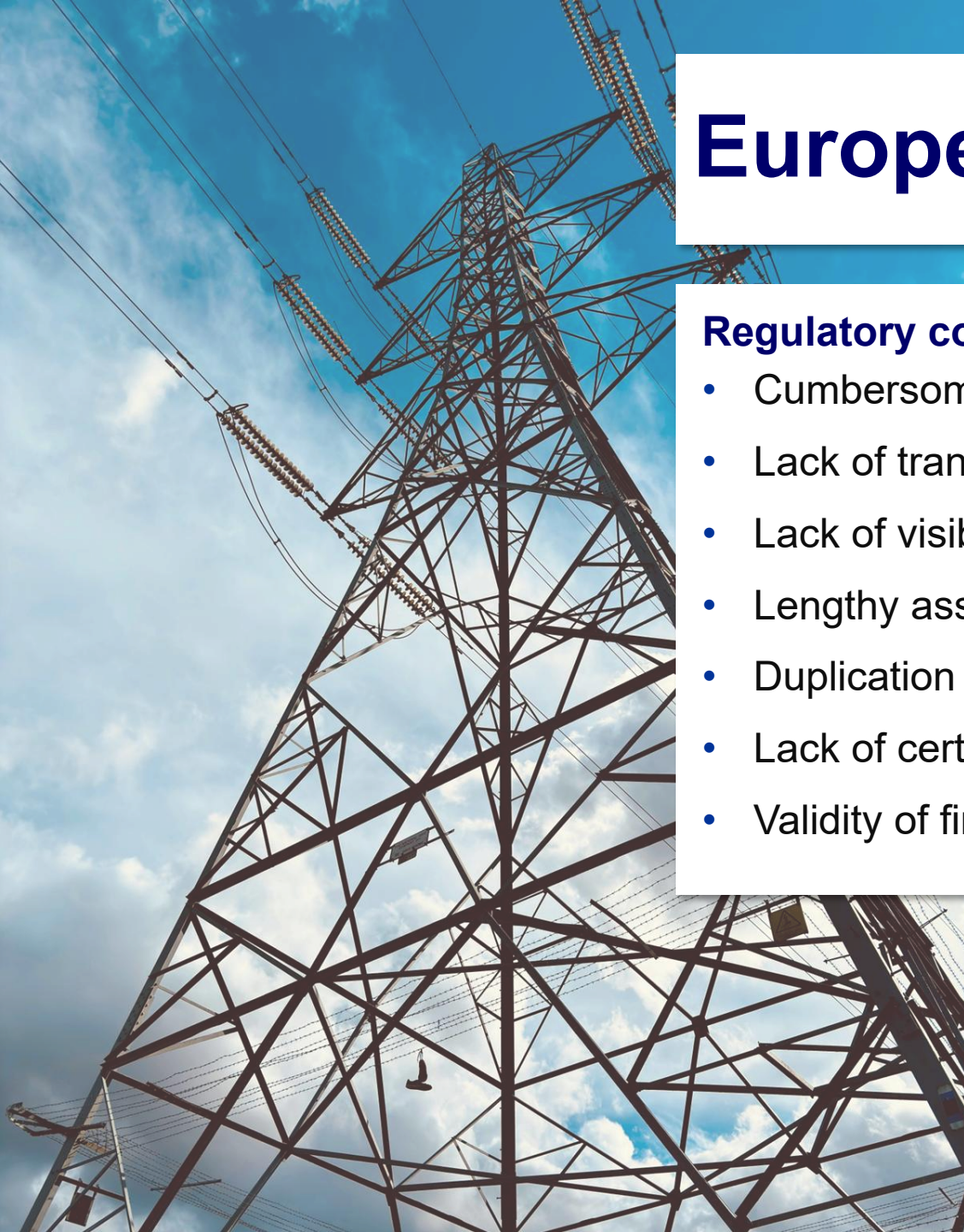
European grids: policy context



Technical support to permitting for grids and renewables



Next steps



European Grids: Policy Context

Regulatory context

- Cumbersome framework;
- Lack of transparency and publicity of procedures;
- Lack of visibility on geographical and environmental data;
- Lengthy assessments;
- Duplication of assessments and approvals;
- Lack of certainty on the duration of procedures;
- Validity of final decision;



European Semester

24 EU Member States received a Country Specific Recommendation (CSR) on grids and 22 Member States received a CSR on renewables

Examples of CSRs and Recitals

“Decrease electricity grid congestion by increasing the capacity of the transmission and distribution grid [...] and **further simplifying permitting procedures.**” (CSR)

“The **delays in roll-out of major grid infrastructure investments** remain, in particular, due to the bottlenecks in spatial planning and administrative capacity.” (Recital)

“While measures to ease and **digitalise permitting procedures** were introduced, significant delays still affect the connection of new renewable energy plants to the grid.” (Recital)

“Accelerating the upgrade of grid infrastructure and **speeding up permit-granting procedures** would promote the deployment of renewables.” (Recital)

“Increase energy security and resilience against hybrid threats, for example by **ensuring the sufficient capacity of electricity interconnections**” (CSR)

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Why?



- Lengthy permitting remains a major bottleneck: grid projects can take more than **10 years**, over half of which is spent on permitting alone. Renewable energy permitting can **take up to 9 years**.
- Grid congestion slowing down the clean energy transition: congestion costs reached **€5.2 billion in 2022** and could increase to **€26 billion by 2030**.
- High prices are affecting consumers and businesses

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Objective



- Accelerate and simplify permitting for electricity grids, renewables and energy storage, and thus helping to remove key barriers to Europe's clean energy expansion.
- Achieve a coordinated and timely transposition of the amending Directives
 - Reduced deadlines;
 - Presumption of overriding public interest;
 - Streamline the application of certain environmental rules.

Support Measures

Topics covered

- Digitalisation of permitting
- Simplification and acceleration of permitting
- Permitting governance
- Transposing and implementing Grids Package provisions
- Streamlining cross-border infrastructure projects



Support format

- Technical expertise for a single digital portal
- Support for establishing single points of contact
- Support transposition and implementation of the Grids Package
- Recommendations for faster approvals of cross-border projects



How to apply to the Grids multicountry?

Application process

- One (joint) application per Member State
- Multi-country in parallel
- There will be a **ready-made form** for application



Target beneficiaries

- National authorities involved in grid and renewable energy reforms
- Authorities involved in designing and implementing digitalisation measures for grids and renewable energy permitting
- Any other public authorities closely involved



Next Steps

- Dedicated information session with potential beneficiaries
- Ready-made form
- Application by 31 October 2026
- We are available for any follow-up questions and bilateral discussions

THANK YOU



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