
Methodology for a common D-2 capacity
calculation in accordance with Article 21 of
Commission Regulation (EU) 2015/1222 of 24
July 2015 establishing a guideline on capacity
allocation and congestion management within
Italy North CCR

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Whereas

- (1) Decision No 04/2024 of the European Union Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators (ACER) of 19 March 2024 on the amendment to the determination of capacity calculation regions has established the new Central Europe Capacity calculation region, created by merging, in a stepwise approach, the current Core CCR and Italy North CCR.

The merging process started in March 2023 with the development of the Central Europe capacity calculation methodology in the day-ahead timeframe to be followed by other methodologies taking into account potential interdependencies with existing regional implementation projects under the applicable Union law. Each subsequent step of the merger should require an amendment to the CCR determination.

Consequently, in August 2023 and May 2024, IN NRAs agreed with the proposals by IN TSOs to de-prioritize TRM study in D-2 and ID CCM v2 as resource-intensive development of the IN capacity calculation, in order to concentrate the IN TSOs available resources on the development and implementation of the upcoming Central Europe methodologies.

- (2) This document (hereafter referred to as “D-2 CCC methodology”), including its annexes, is the methodology for the common capacity calculation performed for the capacity allocation within the day-ahead timeframe for Italy North capacity calculation region (hereafter referred to as “Italy North CCR”) This methodology is required by Article 21 of Regulation (EU) 2015/1222 establishing a guideline on Capacity Allocation and Congestion Management as amended by Commission implementing regulation (EU) 2021/280 of 22 February 2021 (hereafter referred to as the “CACM Regulation”).
- (3) This methodology takes into account the general principles and goals set in the CACM Regulation, while respecting the principles set in the Regulation (EU) 2019/943 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 5 June 2019 on the internal market for electricity (recast) (hereafter referred to as “Regulation (EC) 2019/943”).

In addition, this methodology takes into account the effective structure of the grid and the borders between Italy and Third Countries by establishing TSO-TSO based contractual frameworks to include Third Countries as Technical Counterparties. Therefore, this methodology takes into account Technical Counterparties’ grid elements.

- (4) This methodology takes into account the general principles and goals set in CACM Regulation. Ensuring optimal use of the transmission infrastructure and operational security, which are among the objectives of capacity allocation and congestion management cooperation, laid down by Article 3 of CACM Regulation, requires the inclusion of Third Countries’ grid elements in the capacity calculation process of Italy North CCR. CACM Regulation’s objectives cannot be achieved in any other way but by including Third Countries’ grid elements. This inclusion is in line with Article 13 of Commission Regulation (EU) 2017/1485 of 2 August 2017 establishing a guideline on electricity transmission system operation (hereafter referred to as “SOGL Regulation”), providing that EU TSOs must establish “*cooperation concerning secure system operation*” with non-EU TSOs belonging to the same synchronous area via an agreement with these non-EU TSOs. In order to comply with the requirement laid down by EU

Regulation, this methodology includes Third Countries as Technical Counterparties.

Coordinated capacity calculators will take into account the whole Area of Common Interest (hereafter referred to as “ACI”) of the Italy North CCR and include Technical Counterparties’ remedial actions into coordinated remedial actions’ preparation and the optimization procedure. TSOs of Italy North CCR will conclude an agreement with relevant Technical Counterparties. In order to be taken into consideration in the capacity calculation process and enter into a TSO-TSO based contractual framework, Technical Counterparties must fulfil the conditions laid down by Article 1.3 of the “*All TSOs’ proposal for a common grid model methodology in accordance with Article 17 of Commission Regulation (EU) 2015/1222 of 24 July 2015 establishing a guideline on capacity allocation and congestion management*”, applicable to TSOs from jurisdictions outside the area referred to in Article 1(2) of the CACM Regulation. The agreement between Italy North CCR TSOs and the Technical Counterparty will include D-2 CCC methodology’s provisions and ensure that the Technical Counterparty is contractually bound by the same obligations as the ones binding upon TSOs of the Italy North CCR by virtue of EU Regulations. Such agreement will govern mutual obligations and responsibilities of the Technical Counterparty with TSOs of Italy North CCR in relation to the capacity calculation process on all elements of the Area of Common Interest. Ensuring optimal use of the transmission infrastructure and operational security, which are among the objectives of capacity allocation and congestion management cooperation, laid down by Article 3 of CACM Regulation, requires the inclusion of Technical Counterparties’ grid elements in the capacity calculation process of Italy North CCR.

- (5) The goal of the CACM Regulation is the coordination and harmonisation of capacity calculation and allocation in the day-ahead and intraday cross-border markets. To facilitate the achievement of these aims and implement single day-ahead and intraday coupling, it is necessary for TSOs to calculate in a coordinated manner the available cross-border capacity. In line with the requirements of the CACM Regulation, the TSOs of Italy North CCR will strive to cooperate with the Capacity Calculation Regions (hereafter referred to as “CCR”) connected to Italy North CCR in order to ensure that capacity calculation takes place in the most efficient and thorough way.
- (6) Article 21(1) of the CACM Regulation constitutes the legal basis for this methodology and defines several specific requirements that the D-2 Common Capacity Calculation (hereafter referred to as “CCC”) methodology should take into account:

“1. The proposal for a common capacity calculation methodology for a capacity calculation region determined in accordance with Article 20(2) shall include at least the following items for each capacity calculation timeframe:

- (a) *methodologies for the calculation of the inputs to capacity calculation, which shall include the following parameters:*
 - (i) *a methodology for determining the reliability margin in accordance with Article 22;*
 - (ii) *the methodologies for determining operational security limits, contingencies relevant to capacity calculation and allocation constraints that may be applied in accordance with Article 23;*

- (iii) *the methodology for determining the generation shift keys in accordance with Article 24;*
 - (iv) *the methodology for determining remedial actions to be considered in capacity calculation in accordance with Article 25.*
 - (b) *a detailed description of the capacity calculation approach which shall include the following:*
 - i. *a mathematical description of the applied capacity calculation approach with different capacity calculation inputs;*
 - ii. *rules for avoiding undue discrimination between internal and cross-zonal exchanges to ensure compliance with point 1.7 of Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 714/2009;*
 - iii. *rules for taking into account, where appropriate, previously allocated cross-zonal capacity;*
 - iv. *rules on the adjustment of power flows on critical network elements or of cross-zonal capacity due to remedial actions in accordance with Article 25;*
 - v. *for the flow-based approach, a mathematical description of the calculation of power transfer distribution factors and of the calculation of available margins on critical network elements;*
 - vi. *for the coordinated net transmission capacity approach, the rules for calculating cross-zonal capacity, including the rules for efficiently sharing the power flow capabilities of critical network elements among different bidding zone borders;*
 - vii. *where the power flows on critical network elements are influenced by cross-zonal power exchanges in different capacity calculation regions, the rules for sharing the power flow capabilities of critical network elements among different capacity calculation regions in order to accommodate these flows.*
 - (c) *a methodology for the validation of cross-zonal capacity in accordance with Article 26.”*
- (7) Article 14 of the CACM Regulation defines the capacity calculation timeframes as “*day-ahead, for the day-ahead market. For the day-ahead market timeframe, individual values for cross-zonal capacity for each day-ahead market time unit shall be calculated. For the day-ahead market timeframe, the capacity calculation shall be based on the latest available information. The information update for the day-ahead market timeframe shall not start before 15:00 market time two days before the day of delivery*”.
- (8) Article 20(1) of the CACM Regulation defines the approach to use in the common capacity calculation methodologies as “*flow-based approach*” and Article 20 (3) of the CACM Regulation specifies that: “*The TSOs from the capacity calculation region where Italy, as defined in point (c) of point 3.2 of Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 714/2009, is included, may extend the deadline without prejudice to the obligation in paragraph 1 for submitting the proposal for a common coordinated capacity calculation methodology using flow-based approach for the respective region pursuant to paragraph 2 up to six months after Switzerland joins the single day-ahead coupling.*”

- (9) TSOs of Italy North CCR agreed on a first version of D-2 CCC methodology proposing to apply a coordinated net transmission capacity methodology as interim approach for capacity calculation within the Italy North CCR, without prejudice to the future implementation of a flow-based approach as the target methodology for the Italy North CCR as foreseen in Article 20(1) of the CACM Regulation.
- (10) The first version of the D-2 CCC methodology was submitted to the NRAs of Italy North CCR according to Article 9(7)(a) of the CACM Regulation and was approved by the same NRAs on 25th November 2019.
- (11) Article 2(8) of the CACM Regulation defines the coordinated net transmission capacity approach as *“the capacity calculation method based on the principle of assessing and defining ex ante a maximum energy exchange between adjacent bidding zones”*.
- (12) As per the definition set in Article 2(11) of the CACM Regulation, the coordinated capacity calculator is delegated the task of calculating transmission capacity, at regional level or above.
- (13) Article 9(9) of the CACM Regulation requires that the proposed timescale for the implementation and the expected impact of the D-2 CCC methodology on the objectives of the CACM Regulation are described. The impact is presented below in the point (17) of this Whereas Section, while the timescale is included in the methodology.
- (14) Article 16(8) of the Regulation (EC) 2019/943 complements the principles of the CACM Regulation, with the introduction of a requirement for a minimum level of capacity to be offered to the market:
“Transmission system operators shall not limit the volume of interconnection capacity to be made available to market participants as a means of solving congestion inside their own bidding zone or as a means of managing flows resulting from transactions internal to bidding zones. Without prejudice to the application of the derogations under paragraphs 3 and 9 of this Article and to the application of Article 15(2), this paragraph shall be considered to be complied with where the following minimum levels of available capacity for cross-zonal trade are reached:
 - (a) *for borders using a coordinated net transmission capacity approach, the minimum capacity shall be 70 % of the transmission capacity respecting operational security limits after deduction of contingencies, as determined in accordance with the capacity allocation and congestion management guideline adopted on the basis of Article 18(5) of Regulation (EC) No 714/2009;*
 - (b) *for borders using a flow-based approach, the minimum capacity shall be a margin set in the capacity calculation process as available for flows induced by cross-zonal exchange. The margin shall be 70 % of the capacity respecting operational security limits of internal and cross-zonal critical network elements, taking into account contingencies, as determined in accordance with the capacity allocation and congestion management guideline adopted on the basis of Article 18(5) of Regulation (EC) No 714/2009.*

The total amount of 30 % can be used for the reliability margins, loop flows and internal flows on each critical network element.”

- (15) Articles 15(1), 15(2) and 15(4), and Article 16(9) of the Regulation (EC) 2019/943 introduce possible temporary exemptions to comply with the minimum level of capacity set in the Article 16(8) of the Regulation (EC) 2019/943 through action plans and derogations.
- (16) Article 16(3) of the Regulation (EC) 2019/943 describes the capacity calculation process and attributes the role of coordinated capacity calculator to the regional coordination centres: *“Regional coordination centres shall carry out coordinated capacity calculation in accordance with paragraphs 4 and 8 of this Article, as provided for in point (a) of Article 37(1) and in Article 42(1). Regional coordination centres shall calculate cross-zonal capacities respecting operational security limits using data from transmission system operators including data on the technical availability of remedial actions, not including load shedding. Where regional coordination centres conclude that those available remedial actions in the capacity calculation region or between capacity calculation regions are not sufficient to reach the linear trajectory pursuant to Article 15(2) or the minimum capacities provided for in paragraph 8 of this Article while respecting operational security limits, they may, as a measure of last resort, set out coordinated actions reducing the cross-zonal capacities accordingly. Transmission system operators may deviate from coordinated actions in respect of coordinated capacity calculation and coordinated security analysis only in accordance with Article 42(2). By 3 months after the entry into operation of the regional coordination centres pursuant to Article 35(2) of this Regulation and every three months thereafter, the regional coordination centres shall submit a report to the relevant regulatory authorities and to ACER on any reduction of capacity or deviation from coordinated actions pursuant to the second subparagraph and shall assess the incidences and make recommendations, if necessary, on how to avoid such deviations in the future. If ACER concludes that the prerequisites for a deviation pursuant to this paragraph are not fulfilled or are of a structural nature, ACER shall submit an opinion to the relevant regulatory authorities and to the Commission. The competent regulatory authorities shall take appropriate action against transmission system operators or regional coordination centres pursuant to Article 59 or 62 of Directive (EU) 2019/944 if the prerequisites for a deviation pursuant to this paragraph were not fulfilled. Deviations of a structural nature shall be addressed in an action plan referred to in Article 14(7) or in an update of an existing action plan”*
- (17) Article 16(4) of the Regulation (EC) 2019/943 gives a framework for the consideration of costly remedial actions in the capacity calculation: *“The maximum level of capacity of the interconnections and the transmission networks affected by cross-border capacity shall be made available to market participants complying with the safety standards of secure network operation. Counter-trading and redispatch, including cross-border redispatch, shall be used to maximise available capacities to reach the minimum capacity provided for in paragraph 8. A coordinated and non-discriminatory process for cross-border remedial actions shall be applied to enable such maximisation, following the implementation of a redispatching and counter-trading cost-sharing methodology.”*
- (18) The D-2 CCC methodology contributes to and does not in any way hinder the achievement of the objectives of Article 3 of the CACM Regulation.

Article 3(a) of the CACM Regulation aims at promoting effective competition in the generation, trading and supply of electricity.

The D-2 CCC methodology serves the objective of promoting effective competition in the generation, trading and supply of electricity by defining a set of harmonised rules for capacity calculation and congestion management which contributes to the effectiveness of the single day-ahead coupling. Establishing common and coordinated processes for the capacity calculations within the day-ahead market timeframe contributes to achieving this aim.

Article 3(b) of the CACM Regulation aims at ensuring optimal use of the transmission infrastructure.

The D-2 CCC methodology contributes to the objective of ensuring optimal use of the transmission infrastructure by using last available inputs based on the best possible forecast of transmission systems at the time of each capacity calculation, updated in a timely manner.

Article 3(c) of the CACM Regulation aims at ensuring operational security.

The D-2 CCC methodology contributes to the objective of ensuring operational security by coordinating the capacity calculation with updated inputs for the day-ahead market timeframe at regional level to ensure its reliability.

Article 3(d) of the CACM Regulation aims at optimising the calculation and allocation of cross-zonal capacity.

By coordinating the timings for the delivery of inputs, calculation approach and validation requirements of the CCC between TSOs and the coordinated capacity calculator, the D-2 CCC methodology contributes to the objective of optimising the calculation and allocation of cross-zonal capacity.

Article 3(g) of the CACM Regulation aims at contributing to the efficient long-term operation and development of the electricity transmission system and electricity sector in the Union.

By using the best possible forecast of the transmission systems at the time of each capacity calculation within the Italy North CCR, the results of the coordinated capacity calculation contribute to determine the most limiting branches within this region, by then help TSOs for a more efficient development of the electricity transmission system.

- (19) In conclusion, the D-2 CCC methodology contributes to the general objectives of the CACM Regulation.

Article 1 Subject matter and scope

1. The D-2 CCC methodology as determined in this document is the common methodology for the capacity calculation performed for the capacity allocation within the day-ahead timeframe for Italy North CCR in accordance with Article 21 of the CACM Regulation. The previous version of the D-2 CCC methodology approved by the NRAs of Italy North CCR on 24/07/2020 is replaced.
2. Considering the structure of the grid, Third Countries' borders are taken into account via a separate agreement in the capacity calculation process.

Article 2 Definitions and interpretation

1. For the purposes of the D-2 CCC methodology, the terms used shall have the meaning given to them in Article 2 of Regulation (EC) 2013/543, Article 2 of the CACM Regulation, and Article 2 of Regulation (EC) 2019/943.
2. In addition, the following definitions shall apply:
 - a. 'APG' means Austrian Power Grid AG, the Austrian system operator;
 - b. 'AT-IT border' means bidding zone border between Austria and Italy;
 - c. 'CH-IT border' means bidding zone border between Switzerland and Italy;
 - d. 'ELES' means ELES, d.o.o., the Slovenian system operator;
 - e. 'Export corner calculation' means the common capacity calculation when at least one country is expected to be importing from Italy;
 - f. 'FR-IT border' means bidding zone border between France and Italy;
 - g. 'RTE' means Réseau de Transport d'Electricité, the French system operator;
 - h. 'SI-IT border' means bidding zone border between Slovenia and Italy;
 - i. 'Technical Counterparty' means any non-EU TSO to be included in the procedures of this methodology through respective agreements;
 - j. 'TERNA' means TERNA S.p.A. Rete Elettrica Nazionale, the Italian system operator;
 - k. 'Third Country' means country from jurisdiction outside the area referred to in Article 1(2) of the CACM Regulation;
 - l. 'Coordination area' means the whole Italy North capacity calculation region plus the CH-IT border.
3. Definition of Acronyms

CC	Capacity Calculation
CCC	Common Capacity Calculation
CGM	Common Grid Model
CGMES	Common Information Model (CIM) for Grid Model Exchanges
CNE	Critical Network Element
CNEC	Critical Network Element and Contingency. For the purpose of this methodology, the term CNEC also covers the case where a CNE is used in capacity calculation without a specified contingency.
CRA	Curative Remedial Action
D-2	Two Days Ahead

D2CF	D-2 Congestion Forecast
DACF	Day-Ahead Congestion Forecast
GSK	Generation Shift Key
IDCF	Intraday Congestion Forecast
IGM	Individual Grid Model
LSK	Load Shift Key
MACZT	Margin Available for Cross-Zonal Trade
MC	Market Coupling
MNE	Monitored Network Element
NEMOs	Nominated Electricity Market Operators
NRAs	National Regulatory Authorities
NTC	Net Transfer Capacity
PRA	Preventive Remedial Action
PST	Phase Shifter Transformer
PTDF	Power Transfer Distribution Factor
RAO	Remedial Action Optimization
RSC	Regional Security Coordinator
SDAC	Single Day-Ahead Coupling
SPS	Special Protection Scheme
TRM	Transmission Reliability Margin
TTC	Total Transfer Capacity (of the Italy North CCR)
Ur	Uncertainty of regulation
Us	Uncertainty of scenario
σ	Standard Deviation

4. In this D-2 CCC methodology, unless the context requires otherwise:
- the singular indicates the plural and vice versa;
 - headings are inserted for convenience only and do not affect the interpretation of this methodology; and
 - any reference to legislation, regulations, directives, orders, instruments, codes or any other enactment shall include any modification, extension or re-enactment of it when in force.

Article 3 Application of this methodology

- This methodology applies solely to the D-2 CCC based on the coordinated net transmission capacity approach within the Italy North CCR. For the avoidance of doubt, respective or relevant provisions of this methodology apply to any relevant Technical Counterparty of the Italy North CCR, by virtue of separate contracts as mentioned in Article 1. The D-2 CCC methodology using the flow-based approach, the CCC methodologies within others CCRs and other timeframes are outside the scope of this methodology.

Article 4 Cross-zonal capacities for the day-ahead market

1. For the day-ahead market timeframe, individual values for cross-zonal capacity for each day-ahead market time unit shall be calculated using the D-2 CCC methodology.

Article 5 Reliability margin methodology

1. For the CC performed in D-2, the TSOs of the Italy North CCR and Technical Counterparties shall define the reliability margin in line with Article 22 of the CACM Regulation and based on the analysis of the following data:
 - a. unintended deviations of physical electricity flows within a market time unit caused by the adjustment of electricity flows within and between control areas, to maintain a constant frequency;
 - b. uncertainties which could affect CC, and which could occur between D-2 and real time, for the market time unit being considered.More details on the computation of the reliability margin are provided in Annex I (D): TRM figure computation of the D-2 CCC methodology.
2. The reliability margin shall be defined as fixed value based on experience gained in the previous D-2 CCC methodology, not exceeding the 2018 historical value until the study described in Article 14(8) is completed.
3. The TSOs of the Italy North CCR and Technical Counterparties shall review once a year the reliability margin for the whole Italy North CCR¹.

Article 6 Operational security limits, contingencies and allocation constraints

1. For the CC, all TSOs of the Italy North CCR and Technical Counterparties shall provide the coordinated capacity calculator with its individual list of CNECs created based on a common contingency list. The coordinated capacity calculator shall then define the initial list of CNECs to be considered during the CC, by merging the individual list of CNECs provided by all TSOs of the Italy North CCR and Technical Counterparties into a single list.
2. Subsequently, the coordinated capacity calculator shall use the initial list of CNECs pursuant to paragraph 1 to create the final list of CNECs to be considered in the CC by selecting only network elements significantly influenced by cross-zonal power exchanges. The selection of these CNECs shall be based on a sensitivity analysis performed for each calculated timestamp in the different network states including but not limited to base case, after contingency and after remedial action.
3. Only CNECs that include a tie-line as a CNE, elements that are necessary for the calculation process or the RAO process (i.e.: topological remedial actions) and CNECs with a sensitivity to cross-zonal power exchanges equal or higher than 5% shall be monitored during the CC process. The sensitivity shall be assessed as explained in Annex I (C): PTDF computation for the selection of critical network elements. Any change to the sensitivity threshold shall lead to an amendment of the D-2 CCC methodology

¹ As agreed with NRAs on 28/08/2023, it was decided to deprioritise the TRM study in order to allocate available resources to other topics such as the update of the LTTC concept, optimization of operational processes and the merger of Core and Italy North.

according to Article 9(13) of the CACM Regulation. The TSOs of the Italy North CCR and Technical Counterparties will perform a proper study to assess the correlation between the threshold for CNEC selection (i.e. the number of CNECs to be considered in the CC and thus relevant for the requirement for the minimum level of available capacity as defined in the Article 16(8) of the Regulation (EC) 2019/943) and the volume of remedial actions to be activated in the coordinated security analysis process to grant the minimum level of cross-border capacity on all these CNECs.

4. The TSOs of the Italy North CCR and Technical Counterparties may define also a list of MNEs that are influenced by the application of cross-border relevant remedial actions in line with Articles 75 and 76 of the SOGL Regulation, but that are not significantly influenced by the cross-zonal power exchanges. These MNEs shall be monitored during the RAO. The additional loading, resulting from the application of RAs, on these monitored elements may be limited during the RAO, while ensuring that a certain additional loading up to the defined threshold (according to Article 8(7)) is always accepted.
5. The MNE concept is allowed for a temporary period of 18 months from the implementation of the export corner calculation.
6. Where the power flows on CNEs monitored in the CC are influenced by cross-zonal power exchanges indifferent CCRs, the TSOs of the Italy North CCR and Technical Counterparties shall define the rules for sharing the power flow capabilities of CNEs among different CCRs in order to accommodate these flows. These rules will be detailed in cooperation with the other CCRs during the implementation phase of this methodology.
7. The TSOs of the Italy North CCR and Technical Counterparties shall review the list of CNEs and MNEs to be monitored in the CC process at least once a year.
8. The coordinated capacity calculator shall use the CNECs in accordance with Article 7(3) for the CC performed within Italy North CCR in order to determine the maximum net transmission capacity for each bidding-zone border.
9. The Italian operational constraints related to the control of voltage profiles and dynamic stability of Italian system, which are needed to maintain the transmission system within operational security limits but cannot be transformed efficiently into maximum flows on CNEs, shall be expressed via allocation constraints pursuant to Article 2(6) of the CACM Regulation.
10. Ramping constraints, which are needed to avoid large variations of the exchange programs between one MTU and the next that may endanger the grid security during real time operations, shall be expressed via allocation constraints.
11. As a temporary solution, allocation constraints indicated in Article 6(9) and 6(10) will be directly applied to the results of the calculation performed by the coordinated capacity calculator, in the form of computation constraints. During this period, the unconstrained capacity will be computed in any case and made publicly and easily accessible according to the provisions set in Articles 12(5) and 12(6). Once the market coupling algorithm will be fully capable of managing the above mentioned allocation constraints in accordance with the definition given in Article 2(6) of the CACM Regulation, computation constraints will be abandoned in favour of proper allocation constraints pursuant to Article 2(6) of the CACM Regulation.

12. Allocation constraints will be given with a level of discretization of 50 MW.

Article 7 Generation shift keys

1. The TSOs of Italy North CCR shall define the generation shift keys in accordance with Article 24 of the CACM Regulation.
2. RTE shall define generation shift keys proportional to the base case scenarios for each market time unit with all expected generating units in the IGM, reflecting RTE's best forecast of market behaviour.
3. TERNA shall define generation shift keys merit order to the base case scenarios for each market time unit with all expected generating units in the IGM, reflecting TERNA's best forecast of market behaviour.
4. ELES shall define generation shift keys proportional to the base case scenarios for each market time unit with all expected generating units and selected loads in the IGM, reflecting ELES's best forecast of market behaviour.
5. APG shall define generation shift keys participation factors to the base case scenarios for each market time unit with all expected generating units in the IGM, reflecting APG's best forecast of market behaviour. To achieve this the shift is done in generation/load nodes (PV or PQ nodes), according to a participation factor. The chosen nodes are evaluated by APG and are nodes with generation/load units that will change along with a market change. The participation factor for each node is set by APG and reflects the best forecast of generation/load distribution in the Austrian grid.

Article 8 Remedial actions in capacity calculation

1. The TSOs of Italy North CCR shall define the remedial actions in accordance with Article 25 of the CACM Regulation.
2. Each TSO of Italy North CCR shall define individually the remedial actions of its responsibility area to be made available for the D-2 CCC within Italy North CCR.
3. The available remedial actions are those which can be activated in a coordinated way by the TSOs of Italy North CCR and Technical Counterparties to ensure the operational security.
4. The remedial actions to be defined by each TSO of Italy North CCR shall be either preventive (pre-fault) or curative (post-fault). The TSOs of Italy North CCR may use the following remedial actions, but not limited to:
 - a. changing the tap position of a phase shifter transformer;
 - b. topology measure: opening or closing of a line, cable, transformer, bus bar coupler;
 - c. switching of a network element from one bus bar to another; or
 - d. modification of generation.

The remedial actions given to CC process are assessed by each TSO of the Italy North CCR on a daily basis.

5. All types of remedial actions can be used in preventive and/or curative state. SPS will act only in curative stage, after tripping of grid elements. Due to this, there are three different types of remedial actions used in the Italy North CC process:

- a. PRA: They correspond, in operation, to remedial actions to be implemented independently of the occurrence of any outage to relieve the grid. They are also implemented in the CGM.
 - b. CRA: Each CRA is associated with a given outage and applied after the outage happened. They are taken into account during the CC process but not implemented in the model.
 - c. SPS: This represents an automatic change in grid topology in case predefined conditions (e.g.outage of 2 parallel lines) are met. They are taken into account during the CC process but not implemented in the model.
6. Preventive Remedial Actions are implemented in the final CGM of the CC. Their application during later operational security timeframes (DA CF, IDCF and real time) shall be evaluated based on the Security Analysis taking into account the latest grid information and in line with the methodologies to be defined according to the Articles 75 and 76 of the SOGL Regulation.
7. In accordance with Article 6(4), each TSO of Italy North CCR may define a list of MNEs. During the RAO, all the available transmission capacity of the MNEs can be used under the condition that MNEs' operational security limits including contingencies are respected. Even in case this leads to overloads, at least 5% of each MNE's respective thermal capacity in contingency case shall be made available for the RAO.
8. Each TSO of Italy North CCR shall inform the coordinated capacity calculator in a timely manner on any change in its remedial actions within Italy North CCR to ensure an efficient CC.
9. TSOs of the Italy North CCR shall coordinate with each other regarding the use of remedial actions to be taken into account in CC and their actual application in real time operation. The coordination of remedial actions is ensured by the CC methodology.
10. Each TSO of the Italy North CCR and Technical Counterparty shall ensure that the available remedial actions after CC are sufficient to ensure operational security. Furthermore, all TSOs of the Italy North CCR shall ensure that remedial actions agreed in the CC are also made available in the subsequent timeframes. In case multiple market directions are calculated (as, for example, in case of export corner calculation), the remedial actions representing the result closest to effective market outcome shall be considered in the subsequent timeframes. All TSOs of the Italy North CCR and Technical Counterparties shall in the day-ahead or intraday operational planning, when preparing a remedial action, make sure that cross-border relevant remedial actions agreed in the CC are coordinated pursuant to the processes defined in the methodologies developed according to Articles 75 and 76 of the SOGL Regulation.

Article 9 Day-ahead capacity calculation

1. In accordance with Article 8 of the CACM Regulation, the TSOs of Italy North CCR shall calculate cross-zonal capacities for each bidding-zone border of Italy North CCR.
2. The TSOs of Italy North CCR shall provide the coordinated capacity calculator with the last updated information on the transmission systems in a timely manner for the CC that is started in the end of D-2.
3. The coordinated capacity calculator shall use the CGM built in accordance with Article 28 of the CACM Regulation no later than 6 months after the implementation of the CGM methodology developed in accordance with Article 17 of the CACM Regulation,

provided that the necessary tools are developed, and compatibility is ensured.

4. Before using the CGM built in accordance with Article 28 of the CACM Regulation, the CGM is created by merging the whole D2CF data set which contains:
 - a. The single D2CF data sets from the participating TSO;
 - b. For non-participating TSOs, DACF are chosen instead of the D2CF files in case D2CF files are not available.

5. The import direction to Italy is still expected to be the primary market direction. Therefore, a calculation in import direction from all the concerned countries to Italy is always performed. The export capacity from Italy for each border is principally reassessed every year, and this value is used for the daily allocation.

Due to the increased probability of exports from Italy on one or more borders, the TSOs of the Italy North CCR and Technical Counterparties created a roadmap for the implementation of the CC process in export direction from Italy. This includes as well as process for the determination of the most likely market direction based on specific criteria. In case of forecasted exports from Italy on one or more borders, a second, parallel calculation based on this most likely market direction is performed. TSOs of the Italy North CCR and Technical Counterparties shall implement this capacity calculation process according to the roadmap provided in Article 13(6).

6. The CC is performed by the coordinated capacity calculator with an iterative process made up of the following steps, these will be repeated until it is not possible to achieve a higher secure level of capacity:
 - a. Security analysis on the CGM, considering the constraints defined in Article 6;
 - b. RAO to secure the CGM;
 - c. In case the CGM is secure, increase of exchanges between Italy and the concerned countries as explained in Annex I (B): Iterative Approach for TTC Calculation.
7. The purpose of the RAO is to find an optimal set of Remedial Actions to secure the CGM. In case the operational security limits of a CNEC defined in Article 6 are exceeded, Remedial Actions are applied. The final set of Remedial Actions that has the highest positive effect on the congested CNEC without creating any negative impact on other CNECs and MNEs (as defined in Article 6) is chosen based on sensitivities.
8. As long as the temporary solution referred to in Article 6(11) is in place, the resulting capacity is corrected to take into account the constraints associated to voltage profiles and dynamic stability of the Italian system.
9. The coordinated capacity calculator shall ensure that the computed TTC reaches the minimum capacity requirements according to Article 16(8) of the Regulation (EC) 2019/943, using remedial actions committed by Italy North TSOs. In accordance with Article 16(3) of Regulation (EC) 2019/943, where the available remedial actions are not sufficient to reach the above-mentioned minimum capacities while respecting operational security limits, the coordinated capacity calculator may, as a measure of last resort, set out coordinated actions reducing the cross-zonal capacities accordingly.
10. The minimum capacity pursuant to paragraph 9 shall be 70% of the transmission capacity respecting operational security limits after deduction of contingencies, except for those for which a derogation has been granted or an action plan to address structural congestions has been set in accordance with the Articles 15 and 16 of the Regulation (EC) 2019/943. In case of such a derogation or action plan, the minimum capacity shall be defined by the decisions on derogations or action plans in accordance with the

Regulation (EC) 2019/943. The TSOs of the Italy North CCR affected by such derogations or action plans shall inform all the NRAs of the Italy North CCR about the values of minimum capacity applicable during the period covered by the derogation or the action plan.

11. The adjustment for minimum capacity pursuant to paragraphs 9 and 10 is computed as described in the Annex III.
12. The coordinated capacity calculator shall define the values of TTC for each market time unit. These values shall be provided to TSOs of the Italy North CCR and Technical Counterparties for validation.
13. In case several coordinated capacity calculators compute the values of TTC for each market time unit in parallel, the minimum value of the computed TTCs is provided to TSOs of the Italy North CCR and Technical Counterparties for validation. The provided value shall ensure maximisation of social welfare while respecting operational security constraints. The TSOs of Italy North CCR shall in cooperation with the coordinated capacity calculators deliver a yearly report to the NRAs of Italy North CCR with explanations on the significant differences in the calculated values.
14. The coordinated capacity calculator shall ensure the consistency of the D-2 CCC by calculating a lower TTC (LTTC). The lower TTC is calculated by deducting a margin from the last coordinated cross-zonal capacities for peak and off-peak hours. If the computed TTC is below the lower TTC, then the last coordinated cross-zonal capacities minus the deduction margin for peak and off-peak hours are provided to TSOs of the Italy North CCR and Technical Counterparties for validation.
15. The deduction margin shall be defined 20% of the last coordinated cross-zonal capacities for peak and off-peak hours. The TSOs of the Italy North CCR and Technical Counterparties shall review the deduction margin once a year or after the commission of a new cross border grid element.
16. The NTC Calculation for each border is achieved according to the following steps:
 - a. TTC Validation, performed in accordance with Article 9;
 - b. Border NTC Calculation. The lowest value provided by the TTC Validation sub process is considered, reduced by the TRM and then split between the borders according to agreed splitting factors. In this step, the already allocated long-term rights per border are taken into account.
17. In accordance with Article 46 of the CACM Regulation, the coordinated capacity calculator and the TSOs of the Italy North CCR shall ensure that the relevant NEMOs are provided with the validated NTCs for each bidding-zone border of Italy North CCR after application of the reliability margin defined in accordance with Article 5. The information shall be provided before the day-ahead firmness deadline as defined in accordance with Article 69 of the CACM Regulation.
18. Discrimination between internal and cross-zonal exchanges is avoided by the proper bidding zones configuration and CNEC selection in accordance with Article 6 based on the methodology described in Annex I (C): PTDF computation for the selection of critical network elements.

Article 10 Cross-zonal capacity validation methodology

1. The TSOs of Italy North CCR shall validate the cross-zonal capacities calculated by the coordinated capacity calculator of the Italy North CCR.
2. The coordinated capacity calculator shall make available the common grid model for Italy North CCR for all scenarios for the relevant market time unit to the TSOs of Italy North CCR.
3. TSOs of Italy North CCR shall validate the cross-zonal capacities calculated by the coordinated capacity calculator with grid model provided in accordance with Article 9.2.
4. In case one of the following situations endangers the operational security, the TSOs of Italy North CCR shall assess and validate a secure capacity value:
 - a. Contingencies or critical network elements are missing in the list of CNECs to be monitored in the CC process;
 - b. A mistake in an IGM, GSK or a CGM was found (e.g. a wrong topology);
 - c. Unplanned outages or a trip of an element in the respective TSO grid occurred;
 - d. An issue with the tools used in the CC process occurred;
 - e. Expectation of significant changes in the flow distribution due to high discrepancies between forecast in D-2 CC and the expected real-time market outcome (e.g. change of net positions or market directions) which are not covered by the statistical uncertainty related to the TRM;
 - f. Latest information on Remedial Actions availability does not ensure to give the additional NTC.
 - g. Resulting NTC exceeds thermal limit of cross-border elements.
5. Where one or more TSOs of Italy North CCR do not validate the cross-zonal capacity calculated, the concerned TSO(s) shall provide the updated amount of cross-zonal capacities for the border(s) considered and the reasons for the change. The final cross-zonal capacity is the minimum value sent by the TSOs of Italy North CCR.
6. Whenever a TSO of Italy North CCR reduces the amount of cross-zonal capacity during the validation, the location and amount of the reduction and further details about the reduction shall be stored.

Article 11 Fallback procedures

1. Prior to each CC performed in D-2, the TSOs of Italy North CCR shall ensure the coordinated capacity calculator is provided with the last coordinated cross-zonal capacities.
2. For the CC performed in D-2, where an incident occurs in the CC process and the coordinated capacity calculator is unable to produce results within the allocated time for the calculation process, the TSOs of Italy North CCR shall validate the last coordinated cross-zonal capacities which are the reduced yearly NTC. After this validation step, the coordinated capacity calculator or TSOs of Italy North CCR where applicable, shall provide the relevant NEMOs with this coordinated value.

Article 12 Publication of data

1. TSOs of the Italy North CCR and Technical Counterparties publish at least once a year a detailed description of the regional common grid model adopted for the CC, with all parameters, as resistance, reactance, and susceptance of each network element. The TSOs of Italy North CCR and Technical Counterparties will make sure that those data are available for market participants and NRAs of the Italy North CCR and up to date. The first publication is due by 31 December 2020.
2. The TSOs of the Italy North CCR and Technical Counterparties publish the following CC relevant data.
 - a. For each reference hour and CNEC:
 - i. Timestamp of the associated hour;
 - ii. Clear name and EIC code of both CNE and Contingency;
 - iii. Maximum flow of a CNE (F_{MAX});
 - iv. Reference flow in base case scenario (F_{REF});
 - v. Sensitivity used for CNEC selection and computed according to Annex I (C);
 - vi. Final flow at the end of the CC process (F_{NTC});
 - vii. Binary indicator whether the CNEC was limiting the NTC domain;
 - viii. Zone to Zone PTDF for all the different borders (Italy – France, Italy – Switzerland, Italy – Austria, Italy – Slovenia) computed in the base case scenario ($PTDF_{REF}$);
 - ix. Zone to Zone PTDF for all the different borders (Italy – France, Italy – Switzerland, Italy – Austria, Italy – Slovenia) computed at the end of the CC process ($PTDF_{NTC}$);
 - x. MACZT within CCR IN (MCCC);
 - xi. MACZT outside CCR IN (MNCC);
 - xii. Total MACZT;
 - xiii. Flow reliability margin (FRM)
 - xiv. Flow after long term nomination (F_{LTN})
 - xv. Remaining available margin (RAM);
 - xvi. Adjustment for minimum RAM (AMR);
 - b. For each market time unit and bidding zone:
 - i. Forecasted vertical load;
 - ii. Forecasted production;
 - iii. Forecasted net position;
 - c. Long-term nomination on each bidding zone border;
 - d. Final NTC and adjustment to NTC values to match 70% provisions computed according to Annex III.
3. For 2020 data defined in paragraph 2(a)(i) – (iii), (vii) and in paragraph 2(b) and (c) are provided on limiting CNECs starting from 1st January and non-limiting CNECs starting from 1st July 2020. Data are published on a quarterly basis 10 working days after the end of each quarter. Along with the report sent by 10th October 2020, an explanatory document explaining the procedure to compute MACZT on non- limiting CNEC shall be enclosed.
4. Starting from 2021, all data listed in paragraph 2 are published on a daily basis at latest one hour before the day-ahead market gate closure. Until the implementation of a common coordinated CC methodology using flow-based approach referred to in Article 14(5), data defined in paragraph 2(a)(xiii)-(xvi) are populated with null entry values. Until the implementation of a regional process for the adjustment for minimum capacity and CNEC selection referred to in Article 14(6), in case data defined in paragraph 2(a)(iv), (v), (viii)-(xii) are not available, the reporting will be populated with null entry

values.

5. As indicated in Article 6(11), as long as the allocation constraint is applied to the results of the calculation performed by the coordinated capacity calculator, the unconstrained capacity is published as well. Till the allocation constraint is shifted to the Euphemias algorithm, unconstrained capacity is provided on a quarterly basis (for 2020 along with the data referred in paragraph 3); eventually unconstrained capacity is provided on a daily basis (from 2021 along with the data referred in paragraph 4).
6. For voltage and stability constraints referred to in Article 6(9) TSOs of Italy North CCR publish at least the following elements for each market time unit:
 - a. the expected total load in the Italian system;
 - b. the expected total non-dispatchable production in the Italian system;
 - c. the minimum dispatchable thermal generation needed to grant voltage and system stability in the Italian system.TSOs of Italy North CCR publish also a feature to provide an estimation of the cross-dependence between the level of the allocation constraint and the parameters listed above.
7. Starting from 1st January 2021 at the latest, all data mentioned in this Article shall be published on one centralized web-platform (e.g. JAO) based on API interaction. Till end 2020 TSOs of Italy North CCR are allowed to use different solutions: in any of the platforms they intend to use, a document listing which data may be found in which platform shall be published.

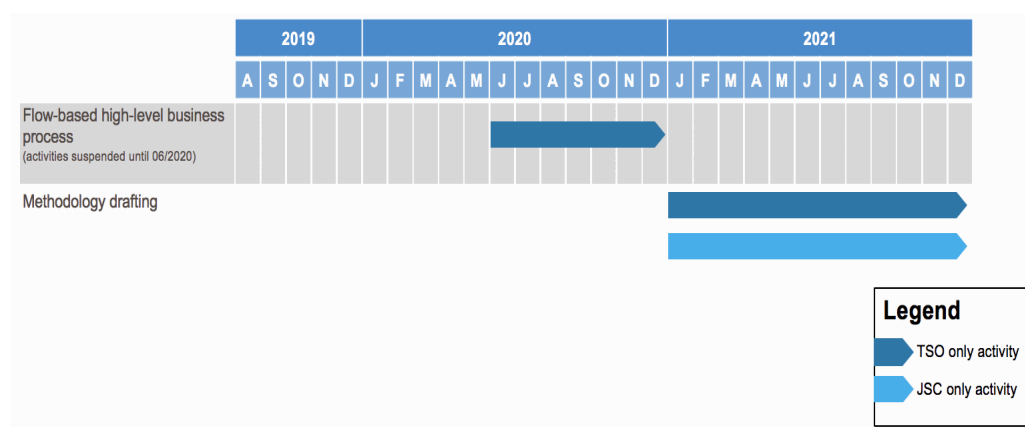
Article 13 Reporting

1. In accordance with Article 26(5) of the CACM Regulation, the coordinated capacity calculator shall prepare a report about all reductions called during the validation of cross-zonal capacity, reporting all the information mentioned in Article 10(6). The report shall be sent to all the NRAs of Italy North CCR on a quarterly basis 45 working days after the end of each quarter.
2. In accordance with Article 16(3) of the Regulation (EC) 2019/943, the coordinated capacity calculator shall prepare a report listing all the reductions disposed because of lack of enough remedial actions. The report shall be sent to all NRAs and to ACER on a quarterly basis 45 working days after the end of each quarter.
3. The TSOs of Italy North CCR shall prepare a report listing all the market time units for which a MNE defined in accordance with Article 6(4) has limited the capacity. The report shall be sent to all the NRAs of Italy North CCR on a quarterly basis 10 working days after the end of each quarter starting from the quarter of the export corner calculation go-live.
4. The TSOs of Italy North CCR shall prepare a report comparing the remedial actions agreed during the CC performed in D-2 with the remedial actions included in the IGM developed by each TSO of Italy North Region and each Technical Counterparty for the purpose of day-ahead coordinated security analysis pursuant to Article 75 and 76 of the SOGL regulation. The report shall be sent to all the NRAs of Italy North CCR on a quarterly basis 10 working days after the end of each quarter.

Article 14 Publication and Implementation of the D-2

CCC methodology

1. The TSOs of Italy North CCR shall publish the D-2 CCC methodology without undue delay after all NRAs of Italy North CCR have approved it.
2. The TSOs of Italy North CCR will implement this D-2 CCC methodology by complementing the D-2 CCC process whose implementation was started in accordance with the methodology approved by the NRAs of the Italy North CCR on 25th November 2019.
3. The implementation of this D-2 CCC methodology shall be completed as soon as the NRAs of the Italy North CCR approve it, except for the features listed in Article 13(6) or if other deadlines are stated in the articles of this methodology.
4. The TSOs of Italy North CCR currently calculate individual values for cross-zonal capacity based on eight timestamps per day. The TSOs of Italy North CCR shall foresee to calculate individual values for cross-zonal capacity based on twelve timestamps per day at the latest 24 months after the implementation of the CGM methodology developed in accordance with Article 17 of the CACM Regulation. The migration from eight to twelve timestamps calculated per day will be efficiently evaluated with regard to the management of IT tools on coordinate capacity calculator side.
5. The TSOs of Italy North CCR shall develop a common coordinated CC methodology using flow-based approach as stated in Article 20(3) of the CACM Regulation. The TSOs of Italy North CCR will submit this proposal based on the following planning:



The TSOs may adjust this planning due to dependencies with other deliverables: in the case the TSOs shall submit an updated plan to all the NRAs of Italy North CCR, specifying the new planning and the reasons behind the changes. In any case, the TSOs of Italy North CCR shall submit the proposal for a common coordinated CC methodology using flow-based approach at the latest within six months after Switzerland joins the single day-ahead coupling, in accordance with Article 20(3) of the CACM Regulation.

6. In derogation to what is stated in paragraph 3, the TSOs of Italy North CCR have implemented the following parts of the D-2 CCC methodology based on the timeline below:

D2CC²	Planned implementation	Effective implementation
Export Corner Calculation Implementation	30/06/2021	19/06/2024
CNEC Selection Implementation	31/01/2021	06/05/2021
Regional process for the minimum capacity adjustment Implementation	31/03/2021	29/10/2021
Allocation Constraints Adaptation of D-2CC process to long term solution	As soon as Request for Change for the algorithm was implemented and agreements with JAO about congestion rent and LTTR firmness and remuneration were updated	17/02/2022

The TSOs of Italy North CCR have provided all the NRAs of Italy North CCR with a report about the implementation of the D-2 CCC methodology according to the timeline above. The report has been sent on a quarterly basis 10 working days after the end of each quarter.

7. The TSOs of Italy North CCR and Technical Counterparties shall follow the roadmap below for the CNEC selection threshold study referred to in Article 6(3). Such roadmap considers the CNEC selection implementation timeline, being the implementation of such part of the process fundamental to perform the proposed study:

Steps	Deadline
CNEC selection threshold study 1. Capacity calculation performed for different CNEC selection thresholds. 2. Implementation of capacity values, obtained for each CNEC selection threshold, on real time grid models. 3. Assessment of redispatching and counter-trading volumes needed to secure the grid.	27/02/2021
Submission of an amended methodology with the new value of the threshold	25/03/2021
Implementation of the new value of the threshold	Two months after the approval by NRAs of Italy North CCR

8. TSOs of Italy North CCR shall perform the reliability margin analysis according to Article 5(1) and define the appropriate risk level for the definition of reliability margin via a request for amendment to the D-2 CCC methodology.

² The implementation of the Reliability Margin Methodology has been deprioritized in alignment with all NRAs on the 28/08/2023. Higher priority has been given to other topics such as the update of the LTTC concept, optimization of operational processes and the merger of Core and Italy North.

9. TSOs of Italy North CCR shall perform a proper study about allocation constraints mentioned in Article 6(9) and will submit it to all NRAs of Italy North CCR by 30th June 2021, along with the proposal to phase out or to keep such constraints.
The study will include at least:
 - a. An estimation of the loss of social welfare due to the reduced cross-zonal capacity;
 - b. An estimation of the loss in the long-term transmission rights revenues due to the reduction periods included in the base products;
 - c. An estimation of the cost of the alternative measures (both curative ones and preventive ones).
10. The TSOs of Italy North CCR shall assess the avoided costs of remedial actions due to the MNE concept mentioned in Article 6(4) against the loss of social welfare due to the reduction of the cross-zonal capacity, and will submit the results to the NRAs of the Italy North CCR within 12 months after the go live of the export corner calculation, along with a proposal to phase out or to keep using the MNE concept.
11. In case TSOs of Italy North CCR cannot match any of the deadlines set in this Article, they shall inform all the NRAs of Italy North CCR at least six months before the affected deadline.

Article 15 Language

1. The reference language for this D-2 CC Methodology shall be English.
2. For the avoidance of doubt, where TSOs of Italy North CCR need to translate this D-2 CCC methodology into their national language(s), in the event of inconsistencies between the English version published by TSOs of Italy North CCR in accordance with Article 9(14) of the CACM Regulation and any version in another language, the relevant TSOs of Italy North CCR shall be obliged to dispel any inconsistencies by providing a revised translation of this D-2 CCC methodology to their relevant national regulatory authorities.

Annex I: Technical explanations

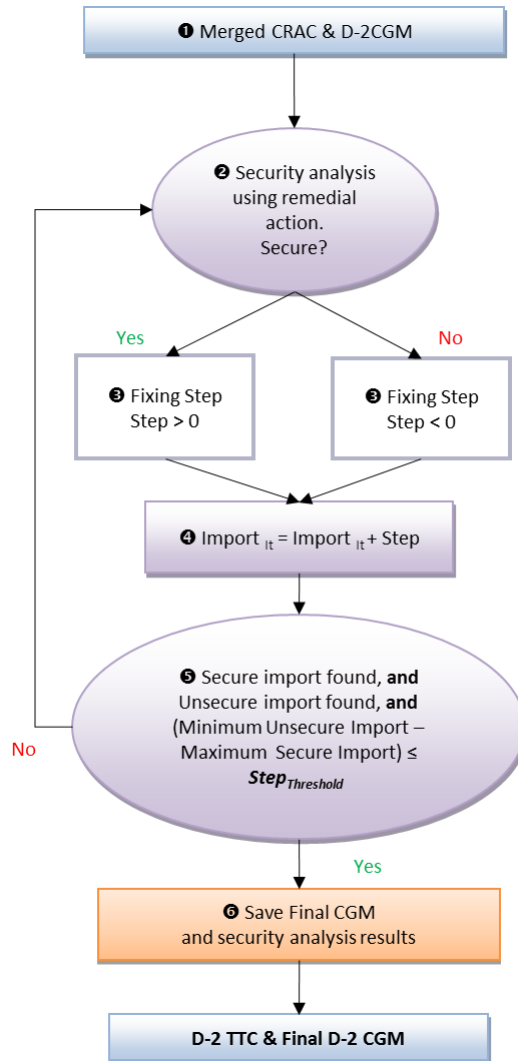
A. Load Flow Algorithm

The CC process is performed using Alternate Current (AC) load flow algorithms (available in the technical literature), considering reactive power capability limits of generators.

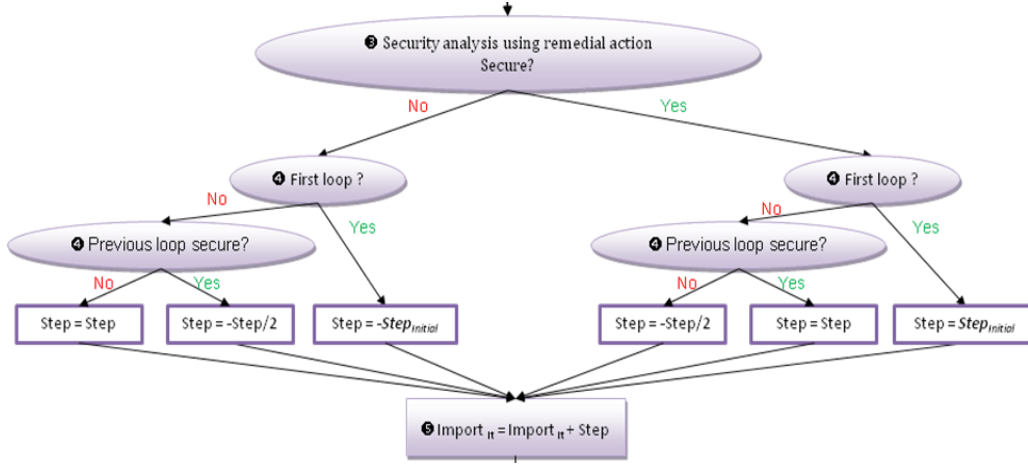
B. Iterative Approach for TTC Calculation

The CC step can be described as a calculation by dichotomy. The coordinated capacity calculator will define a starting capacity level and check if this level of exchange allows the transmission system to be operated within its operational security limits (i.e. no overloads are observed on CNECs).

Starting capacity level is equal to the reduced yearly value of TTC (i.e. yearly calculated value reduced for capacity of planned outages).



If the level is secure or can be made secure by optimizing remedial actions, the coordinated capacity calculator will then test a higher value of TTC. Otherwise, it will then test a TTC value in between the secure and unsecure TTC values until it reaches the last secure TTC. Stopping criteria for optimization is finding last secure and first unsecure level of import. Once both are found, last secure import is considered as maximum Italian import.



The dichotomy is set with a 50 MW step in order to optimize the capacity offered to the market while reducing the computation time. Considering optimal remedial actions have been applied in each step of CC, the dichotomy approach guaranties final solution is less than 50 MW suboptimal compared to absolute maximum Italian import.

C. PTDF computation for the selection of critical network elements

Critical network elements are selected based on their sensitivity to cross-zonal power exchanges, evaluated through a *PTDF* matrix. The elements of this matrix represent the influence of a commercial exchange between bidding zones on power flows on the considered combinations of CNECs. The calculation of the *PTDFs* matrix is performed on the basis of the CGM and the *GSK*.

The nodal *PTDFs* are first calculated by subsequently varying the injection on each node of the CGM. For every single nodal variation, the effect on every CNECs loading is monitored and calculated¹ as a percentage (e.g. if an additional injection of a 100 MW has an effect of 10 MW on a CNEC, the nodal *PTDF* is 10 %). Then the *GSK* translates the nodal *PTDFs* into zonal *PTDFs* (or zone-to-slack *PTDFs*) as it converts the zonal variation into an increase of generation in specific nodes.

PTDFs can be defined as zone-to-slack *PTDFs* or zone-to-zone *PTDFs*. A zone-to-slack $PTDF_{Ail}$ represents the influence of a variation of a net-position on a CNEC. A zone-to-zone $PTDF_{A->Bi}$ represents the influence of a variation of a commercial exchange from A to B on a CNEC i . The zone-to-zone $PTDF_{A->Bil}$ can be linked to zone-to-slack *PTDFs* as follows:

$$PTDF_{A->Bil} = PTDF_{A,i} - PTDF_{Bil} \quad \text{Equation 1}$$

Zone-to-zone *PTDFs* must be transitory i.e.

$$PTDF_{A->C,i} = PTDF_{A->Bil} + PTDF_{B->C,i} \quad \text{Equation 2}$$

The validity of Equation 2 is ensured by Equation 1.

Once all $PTDF_{A->B,i}$ are computed for each element i , all the elements which satisfy the condition:

¹ In this load flow calculation the variation of the injection of the considered node is balanced by an inverse change of the injection at the slack node.

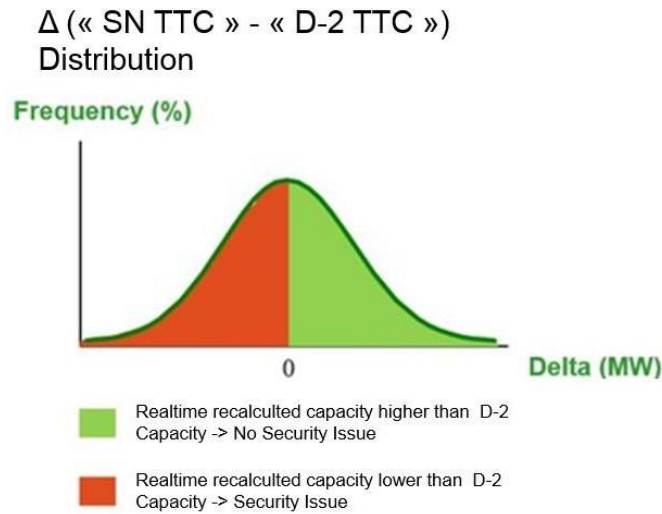
$$PTDF_{FR \rightarrow IT,i} * SF_{FR-IT} + PTDF_{CH \rightarrow IT,i} * SF_{CH-IT} + PTDF_{AT \rightarrow IT,i} * SF_{AT-IT} + PTDF_{SI \rightarrow IT,i} * SF_{SI-IT} \geq threshold$$

can be classified as CNEC significantly impacted by cross-zonal power exchanges of the Italy North CCR, where SF_{j-IT} represents the splitting factor for the border j-IT, in line with the shifting methodology applied during CC.

D. TRM figure computation

The process for the TRM_1 determination could be described as follows:

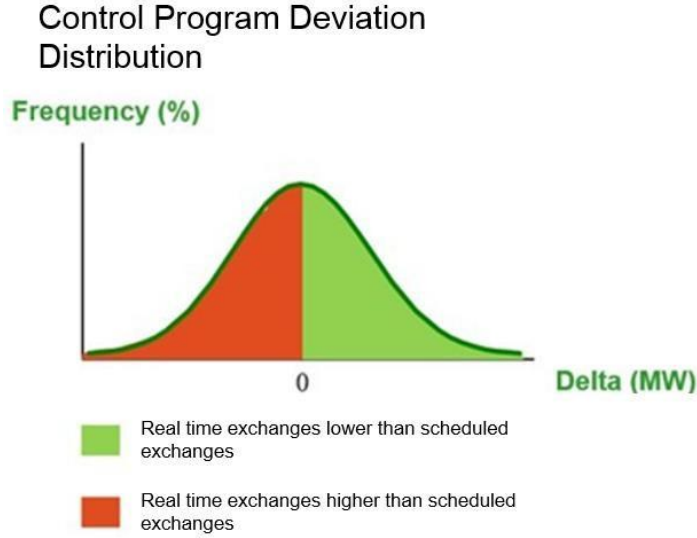
- Step 1: define the statistical period: one full year.
- Step 2: discard the timestamps (TSs) of the statistical period not useful for the study (e.g. TS where no CC has been performed, etc.).
- Step 3: retrieve the following data for all the selected TSs:
 - D-2 TTC without cap/floor (referred as “TTC D-2”),
 - the Real time CGM for the selected TS,
 - reduced Splitting factors.
- Step 4: estimate the TTC on the real time CGM (referred as “TTC RT”) selected after step 3 for all the selected TS. The estimation will be based on a linearised approach checking the operational security limits of a fixed set of CNECs. Then compute all the difference between D-2 and real-time estimated TTCs (“TTC RT” – “TTC D-2”) and plot those deltas in a distribution curve.



TRM₁ distribution function= uncertainties of the forecast

The process for the TRM_2 determination could be described as follows:

- Step 1: define the statistical period: one full year.
- Step 2: for the statistical period retrieve the control program error for the Italian control area (difference between the scheduled program and the actual physical exchange at the Northern Italian interconnection). One-minute average values could be used.
- Step 3: plot those deltas in a distribution curve:



TRM₂ distribution function= unintended deviation

Once TRM₁ and TRM₂ distribution functions have been calculated (f_{TRM1} and f_{TRM2} , respectively) the TRM distribution function (f_{TRM}) can be calculated as convolution of above-mentioned distribution functions:

$$f_{\text{TRM}} = f_{\text{TRM1}} * f_{\text{TRM2}}$$

The TRM shall be defined as the percentile of the convolution of the probability distribution functions of the two variables TRM₁ and TRM₂, with risk level kept below 10% (e.g. 90 percentile means 10% risk, 99 percentile 1% risk). When defining the percentile and the risk level, the historical experiences (i.e. TRM of 500 MW) should be taken into account.

E. Generation and Load Shift Keys

GSK file is defined for:

- an area;
- a time interval: GSK is dedicated to individual daily hours in order to model differences between peak and off-peak conditions per TSO.

Generation and Load shift keys are needed to transform any change in the balance of control area into a change of injections in the nodes of that control area. In order to avoid newly formed unrealistic congestions caused by the process of generation shift, TSOs define both generation shift key (GSK) and load shift key (LSK), where GSKs constitute a list specifying those generators that shall contribute to the shift and LSKs constitute a list specifying those load that shall contribute to the shift in order to take into account the contribution of generators connected to lower voltage levels (implicitly contained in the load figures of the nodes connected to the 220 and 400 kV grid). Each TSO can decide how to represent its best generation shift. If GSK and LSK are defined, a participation factor is also given:

- G(a) Participation factor for generation nodes
- L(a) Participation factor for load nodes

The sum of G(a) and L(a) for each area has to be to 1 (i.e. 100%). Definition of GSK and LSK Nodes:

The list of GSK nodes contains one or more node defined by:

- the name of UCTE Node
- the maximum power production of the node (optional for prop and fact,

- mandatory for the other methods)
- the minimum power production of the node (optional for prop and fact, mandatory for the other methods)

Several methods are supported by the process:

- *Proportional:*

Shift in defined generation/load nodes, proportionally to the base case generation/load.

- $Pg(n)$ Active generation in node n, belonging to area a (nodes n defined in GSK list) or
- $Pl(n)$ Active load in node n, belonging to area a (nodes n defined in LSK list)

The participation of node n in the shift, among selected gen. nodes (GSK) is given by:

$$Kg(n, a) = G(a) \cdot \frac{Pg(n)}{\sum_n Pg(n)}$$

The participation of node n in the shift, among selected load nodes (LSK) is given by:

$$Kl(n, a) = L(a) \cdot \frac{Pl(n)}{\sum_n Pl(n)}$$

- *Participation factors:*

Shift in defined generation/load nodes (PV or PQ nodes), according to the participation factors:

- $kg(n)$ Participation factor for generation in node n, belonging to area a
- $kl(n)$ Participation factor for load in node n, belonging to area a

The participation of node n in the shift, among selected gen. nodes (GSK) is given by:

$$K(n, a) = G(a) \cdot \frac{kg(n)}{\sum kg(n)}, 0 \leq kg(n) \leq 10$$

The participation of node n in the shift, among selected load nodes (LSK) is given by:

$$K(n, a) = L(a) \cdot \frac{kl(n)}{\sum kl(n)}, 0 \leq kl(n) \leq 10$$

- *Reserve:*

All power plants, which are chosen for the shift, are modified proportionally to the remaining available capacity, as presented hereafter in these equations (1) and (2).

$$P_i^{inc} = P_i + \Delta E \cdot \frac{P_i^{max} - P_i}{\sum_{i=1}^n (P_i^{max} - P_i)} \quad (1)$$

$$P_i^{dec} = P_i + \Delta E \cdot \frac{P_i^{min} - P_i}{\sum_{i=1}^n (P_i^{min} - P_i)} \quad (2)$$

Where:

P_i = Actual power production.

P_i^{min} = Minimal power production.

P_i^{max} = Maximal power production.

ΔE = Power to be shifted.

P_i^{inc} = New power production after positive shift.

P_i^{dec} = New power production after negative shift.

- *Merit order*

The chosen generation nodes shift up or down according to the correspondent merit order list GSKup or GSKdown, as described following:

- upward list contains the generation nodes which performs the total positive shift.
- downward list contains the generation nodes which performs the total negative shift.

Merit order factor defines the number of generation node to be shifted simultaneously.

It means that the first group (number defined with Merit order factor) of generating nodes are shifted together and if it is not sufficient, the next group generating nodes are used to complete the total shift, and so on.

The total shift is distributed to the last group of Merit order factor generation nodes proportionally to their available margin as defined for Reserve shift.

Generation shift keys in Italy North CCR are determined by each TSO individually on the basis of the latest available information about the generating units and loads.

F. Activities and timings of the process

The main activities of the process are summarized in the following table:

ID	Activity	Start Time	End Time
001	Italy North TSOs deliver input files to Coordinated Capacity Calculator	16:00 D-2	19:00 D-2
002	Building of the CGM by the Coordinated Capacity Calculator	19:00 D-2	21:00 D-2
003	TTC Calculation and transmission of the results to Italy North TSOs	21:00 D-2	3:00 D-1
004	Validation of the results by Italy North TSOs	3:00 D-1	7:00 D-1
005	NTC Calculation	7:00 D-1	7:30 D-1

The intermediate timings may be subject to adjustments in the future if deemed necessary by Italy North TSOs.

Annex II: Handling of Remedial Actions

The scheme below summarizes the conditions to be fulfilled with this combination of remedial actions to state that all security constraints are respected. Each rounded square represents a different network state.

On N state, preventive remedial actions are implemented and I_{max} of “base case” CNEs are monitored.

On N-1 states, CNECs are applied and I_{max}_AfterOutage are monitored. They represent transient admissible current on the monitored branches. Transient current can exceed permanent admissible current provided that available SPS and curative remedial actions are sufficient to keep permanent current not greater than permanent admissible current.

On After Curative states, outage, SPS and curative remedial actions are implemented and I_{max}_AfterCRA are monitored. They represent permanent admissible current on the monitored branches.

If an outage or a remedial action leads to an unbalance situation due to a modification of generation or load pattern, this unbalance has to be compensated inside the concerned country, by using the GSK of this one.

On SPS states, outage and SPS are applied, I_{max}_AfterSPS are monitored. I_{max}_AfterSPS represent transient admissible current on the monitored branches after SPS. Transient current can exceed permanent admissible current, provided that available curative remedial actions are sufficient to keep permanent current not greater than permanent admissible.

In order to prevent overloading of network elements that are influenced by the application of cross-border relevant remedial actions during the CC, these network elements can be included as MNEs in the RAO. For each MNE in a contingency case, the following has to hold:

$$Loading_{after\ RAO,i} \leq \max(OL_i; Loading_{before\ RAO,i} + Threshold)$$

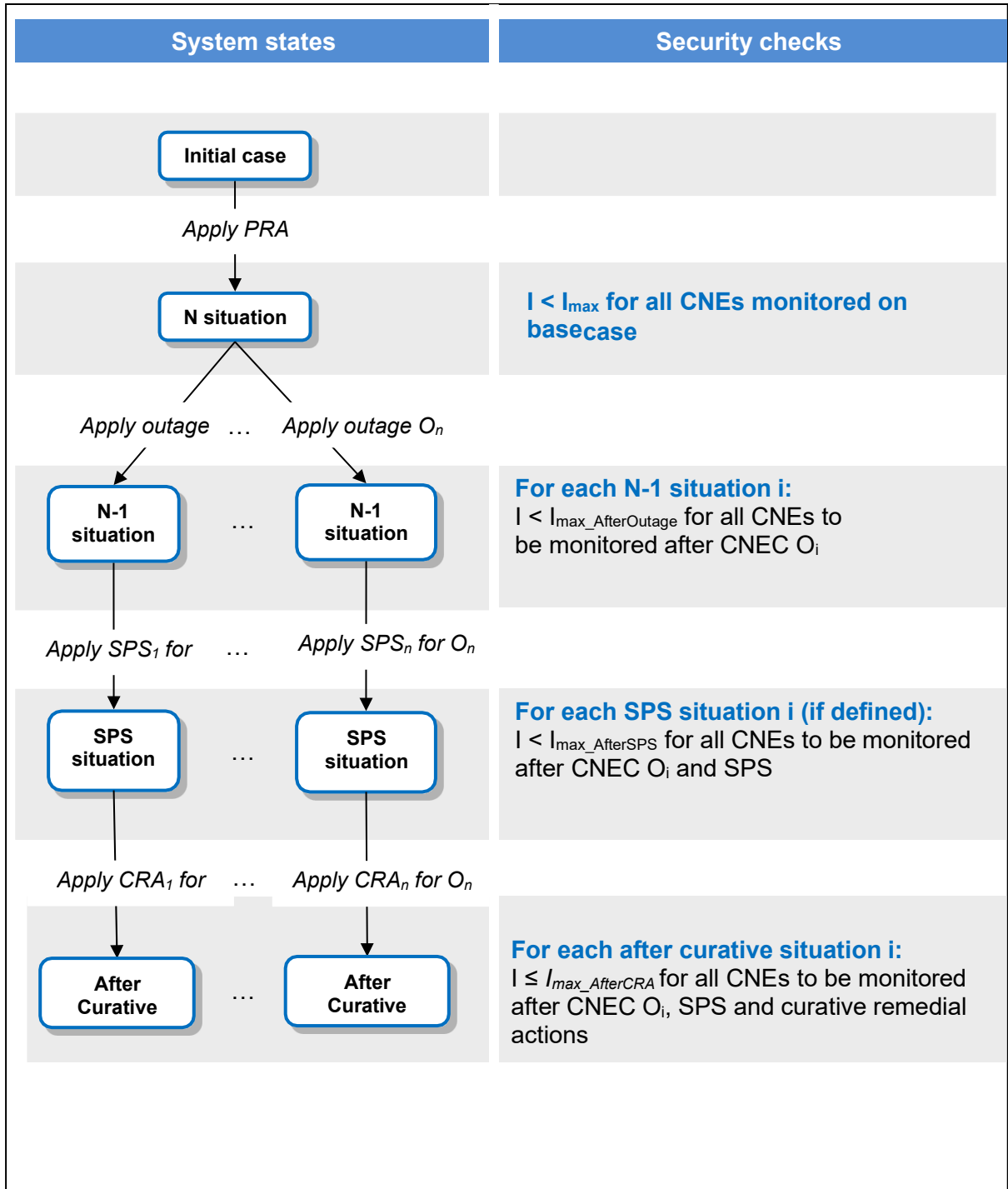
Loading_{before RAO i} ... Loading of the MNE in a contingency case (based on maximum thermal capacity) before RAO

Loading_{after RAO i} ... Loading of the MNE in a contingency case (based on maximum thermal capacity) after application of a remedial action during the RAO

OL_i ... Represents operational limits of the respective MNE in a contingency case

In words:

If Loading_{before RAO} is over OL_i the Loading_{after RAO} cannot become bigger than Loading_{before RAO} plus the defined Threshold.



Annex III: Adjustment for the minimum level of capacity as set in the Article 16(8) of the Regulation (EC) 2019/943

The minimum level of capacity as set in the Article 16(8) of the Regulation (EC) 2019/943 is translated on the margin on a limiting CNEC. The margin on a limiting CNEC is computed for each hour as follows:

$$\text{Margin} = \sum_b pPTDF_{i, z2z, b} \cdot NTC_b + \sum_n PTDF_{z2z, n} \cdot CGME_n$$

where

b	Oriented bidding-zone border which belongs to the coordination area (both import and export direction separately)
$pPTDF_{z2z, b}$ $= \max(0, PTDF_{z2z, b})$	Positive zone-to-zone PTDF associated with the oriented bidding-zone border b (0 for a negative zone-to-zone PTDF)
NTC	Net transfer capacity computed for all the Italian Northern borders
NTC_b	Net transfer capacity for the oriented border b
SF_b	Splitting factor for the oriented bidding zone border b in the computed direction
n	Oriented bidding-zone border, which does not belong to the coordination area
$PTDF_{z2z, n}$	(Positive or negative) zone-to-zone PTDF associated with the oriented bidding-zone border n
$CGME_n$	CGM forecast of the net exchange on the oriented bidding-zone border n.

If the margin of a limiting CNEC is below the minimum margin, an additional net transfer capacity $ANTC_i$ is computed to reach the minimum margin. This is done for the Full Import scenario as follows:

$$ANTC_i = \frac{\text{minMargin} - \text{Margin}}{\sum_{b \in \text{coordination area} \cap \text{computed direction}} pPTDF_{z2z, b} \cdot SF_b}$$

And for the Export Corner scenario as follows:

$$ANTC_i = \frac{\text{minMargin} - \text{Margin}}{\sum_x pPTDF_{z2z, x \rightarrow IT} \cdot SF_{EC, x} \times SF_{EC, IT} + \sum_x \sum_y pPTDF_{z2z, x \rightarrow Y} \cdot SF_{EC, x} \cdot SF_{EC, Y}}$$

Where:

$ANTC_i$	Additional net transfer capacity related to CNEC i
minMargin	Minimum Margin Available for Cross-Zonal Trade, as defined in Article 9(9)
$pPTDF_{z2z, x \rightarrow IT}$ $= \max(0, PTDF_{z2z, x \rightarrow IT})$	Positive zone-to-zone PTDF associated with the oriented bidding-zone border $x \rightarrow IT$ (0 for a negative zone-to-zone PTDF)
$pPTDF_{z2z, IT \rightarrow y}$ $= \max(0, PTDF_{z2z, IT \rightarrow y})$	Positive zone-to-zone PTDF associated with the oriented bidding-zone border $IT \rightarrow Y$ (0 for a negative zone-to-zone PTDF)
$SF_{EC, x}$	Shifting factors for the countries exporting towards Italy in the Export Corner scenario
$SF_{EC, Y}$	Shifting factors for the countries importing from Italy in the Export Corner scenario

$SF_{EC,IT}$	Shifting factor of Italy in the Export Corner scenario
x	Countries that are exporting towards Italy in the Export Corner calculation (x→IT)
y	Countries that are importing from Italy in the Export Corner calculation (IT→Y)

If the margin of a limiting CNEC is equal or above the minimum margin, the additional net transfer capacity associated to that CNEC is equal to 0.

The additional net transfer capacity ANTC applied to the NTC value for all the Italian Northern borders is computed according to the guidance that will be expressed by NRAs. TSOs are requested to update this annex once the guidance is given.

The adjusted net transfer capacity is then equal to:

$$NTC_{adj} = NTC + ANTC$$