Open Networks Programme

2022 Scope Consultation & Call for Participation in Challenge Group webinar

2nd November 2021
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We will be taking questions throughout the session and we encourage you to ask your questions via the chat function.
ENAs Open Networks programme is a major industry initiative that is leading the transition to a smart and flexible energy system that will enable Net Zero.

Open Networks is delivering a Smart Grid by:

✓ **Opening local flexibility markets** to demand response and renewable energy
✓ Helping customers **connect faster**
✓ **Opening data** to enable customers identify best locations to invest
✓ **Delivering efficiencies** between network companies to operate secure and efficient networks

Areas of focus:

- **DSO Transition**
- **Flexibility Services**
- **T D Planning**
- **Whole Energy Systems**
- **Connections**

Open Networks Approach:

- **Standardisation**
- **Simplification**
- **Transparency**
- **Fairness**
- **Collaboration**
2022 Scope & Challenge Group

2022 is another important year for the Open Networks programme as we ramp-up our efforts to enable Net Zero. Delivering this change in collaboration with the industry will be more important than ever and therefore, we are revising our governance to enable greater collaboration with the industry.

With this in mind, we have launched the following that will be open until 16th November.

- **2022 High-Level Scope Consultation**

  In response to stakeholder feedback, we have brought forward our scope development process and are consulting on our high-level scope for next year to get early input from the industry on our work.

  We welcome all feedback from stakeholders on our proposed work for 2022. We will use this to shape the final Programme Initiation Document that we will launch in Jan 2022.

  - [Consultation on high-level scope for 2022](#)

- **Call for participation in Challenge Group**

  We are setting up a Challenge Group to give stakeholders a greater voice in the programme with a focus on challenging and shaping the work of the Open Network programme.

  A call for participation is currently open and we are welcoming applications from interested industry stakeholders.

  - [Terms of Reference for Challenge Group](#)
  - [Application form to join as Members](#)
  - [Invitation to apply for Independent Chair](#)
Challenge Group
Open Governance

As part of the scope for 2021, Open Networks (ON) has explored ways to work more collaboratively with the industry to deliver change proposals.

Key drivers

- Net Zero mandate
- Smart Systems & Flexibility Plan
- Stakeholder feedback
- Ofgem, BEIS & Steering Group input

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2021 PID Consultation feedback

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E.ON
2021 PID Consultation feedback

“Future plans to ongoing product governance should aim to facilitate change with industry involvement, drawing on stakeholders’ expertise across the industry.”

Renewable UK
2021 PID Consultation feedback
Open Networks Challenge Group

- The Challenge Group is being setup for 2022 that gives interested stakeholders a bigger voice in the programme and the opportunity to shape the direction of the programme, its priorities and the outcomes that it delivers through providing a more formal challenge function on behalf of the industry.

  ✓ Shape priorities and work plan
  ✓ Review and shape key programme proposals
  ✓ Provide challenge on progress
  ✓ Facilitate stakeholder engagement within their areas as required

- Given the programme’s mandate to deliver a common framework for flexibility by 2023, we anticipate that the interest and focus of this group will be on topics that relate to flexibility, but we will welcome and consider other topics as necessary.

- The Challenge Group will be chaired by an independent representative that would also represent this group at the Steering Group.

- The Challenge Group is currently being setup via an open call for nominations and will kick off in Jan 2022 and will meet every 2 months thereafter.
Open Networks Challenge Group

ENA is setting up this Challenge Group with up to 19 non-network industry representatives with the allocations per stakeholder group below.

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Other stakeholder engagement mechanisms that we will continue to utilise include focus groups to engage on key aspects of product development from time to time, webinars, public consultations etc.
Timeline and 2022 Scope Consultation

### Setup Challenge Group

- **Oct**: Call to industry to join Challenge Group
- **Nov**: Review nominations, finalise and notify representatives
- **Dec**: Kick off ON Challenge Group & programme of work

### 2022 Scope Development

- **Consultation on High-Level scope for 2022**
- **Review feedback and finalise Programme Initiation Document (PID) using stakeholder input**
- **Launch work plan and commence work**

Listening to stakeholder feedback, we have brought our 2022 scope development activity forward this year to give the industry the opportunity to provide early input and are consulting on our high-level scope for 2022.

We welcome all feedback from stakeholders to help shape our work plan for next year.

*As part of the application process, Challenge Group reps will be asked to provide their input on the scope that will be factored into the final work plan.*
2022 High-Level Scope
Flexibility Services – Product Areas

Supporting delivery of actions from **Smart Systems & Flexibility Plan**, with a focus on helping to deliver a common framework for flexibility by 2023.

Facilitating the development of local flexibility markets through more **standardisation** (across DNOs and with the ESO), **simplification**, and **transparency** in decision-making.

### Overarching Common Framework for Flexibility Services (P0)

Integrate the various aspects of flexibility into a coherent framework. Additionally, set out a clear strategic view of further development required to mature processes across key aspects of flexibility (e.g. real time procurement, interoperability across platforms etc.).

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Workstream support to monitor roll out of baselining methodologies, monitor industry trials to inform non-DSO services, support key strategic initiatives such as Full Chain Flexibility, Access and Forward Looking Charges SCR as required.

**Consultation on all work in Jul 2022**
Flexibility Services – Activities & Timelines

2022

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P5 – Primacy Rules for service conflicts
- Iteration 1 Development & Deployment (Limited Use Case(s))
- Implement and Test the designed processes and information flows
- Review rules and establish roll out process
- Publish V1.0 of Rules, further development/iterations

P6 – Flexibility Products
- Review & update previous analysis on stackability
- Progress actions as required
- Review reactive power related developments
- Define Reactive Power Product

P7 – Carbon Reporting
- Develop carbon reporting and forecasting methodology for flexibility services

P8 (ANM) – Curtailment Management
- Review progress on implementation plan for sharing of curtailment data
- Update and implement risk apportionment principle
- Review and align with Access SCR developments

P0 – Overarching Common Framework for Flexibility
- Integrate various components of flexibility work into a common framework that sets out a clear strategic vision across all key aspects of flexibility.

Workstream activities
- Monitor ongoing network trials (Transition/Leo) to inform non-DNO services
- Monitor roll out of baseline tool developed in 2021
- Support key strategic initiatives and their outcomes, such as Ofgem’s work on Full Chain Flexibility, Access and Forward-Looking Charges SCR and BEIS’s work on the development of a framework for monitoring flexibility.
- Monitor changes to ER-P2 Security of supply standard to release capacity to accommodate flex & LCTs undertaken by ENA’s engineering recommendation working groups
Transmission-Distribution planning – Product Areas

Focused on improving interactions and co-ordination between electricity transmission and distribution taking a whole electricity system approach across planning and forecasting functions. Supporting reporting against licence conditions that relate to planning and coordination.

**Future Energy Scenarios (P2)**
Further alignment between Future Energy Scenarios (FES) and Distribution Future Energy Scenarios (DFES). Further development of Best View Scenario.

**Operational DER visibility and monitoring (P6)**
Recommendation and implementation plan for gaining visibility of DER.

**Operational Data Sharing (P7)**
Mechanism of sharing real-time, operational and forecasting data between ESO and DSO.

**Network Development Process (P5)**
Review and update to Network Development Plan-Form of Statement.

**Whole Electricity System Coordination Register (P9)**
Review and update to Whole Electricity System Coordination Register- Form of Statement.
Transmission-Distribution planning – Activities & timelines

- **2022**
  - **P2 – Future Energy Scenarios**
    - Stakeholder engagement and implementation of “Best View” scenario
    - Review and standardise GSP naming conventions and how GSPs are currently split
    - Further alignments in FES/DFES demand/generation forecast modelling methodology in key building blocks
  - **P5 – Network Development Plan**
    - Support implementation and identify improvements to NDP Form of Statement
    - Stakeholder engagement
  - **P6 – Operational DER visibility & monitoring**
    - Extend CBA to include assets and process that facilitate data transfer from the DER point of connection
    - Recommendation and Implementation plan for gaining visibility of DERs
  - **P7 – Operational Data Sharing**
    - Review and standardise mechanism for sharing real-time data and operational forecasting between ESO-DSO
    - Review and update implementation plan for operation data sharing
    - Framework to optimise data sharing to improve market operation (in coordination with the DDSG and the Regs team)
  - **P9 – Whole electricity system Coordination register**
    - Support implementation and identify improvements to Coordination register Form of Statement
    - Stakeholder engagement
    - Progress actions as required

In addition to the above, WS1B will monitor industry developments on outputs delivered through P1 Investment Planning, P3 Real Time Data Exchange and P4 Data Exchange in Planning Timescales.
Connections & Information Provision – Product Areas

- Focused on visibility of data and process improvements through the application, connection and operations processes.

**Embedded Capacity Register (P1)**
Further development and digitalisation of the Embedded Capacity Register (working in collaboration with Data and Digitalisation Steering Group)

**Connection Agreement Review (P4)**
Progress 2021 recommendations

**Queue Management (P2)**
Monitor implementation of milestones.

**Interactivity (P3)**
Review code modification and Ofgem’s Access & Forward Looking Charges Significant Code Review decision
Connections & Information Provision – Activities & timelines

2022

P1 – Embedded Capacity Register
- Update ECR to include ESO Balancing Services
- Extension of ECR to include assets down to 50kW (Phase 1)
- Population of ECR with available information on DER assets down to 50kW (Phase 2)

P2 – Queue Management
- Monitor progress of CUSC modification CMP376
- Monitoring promotion of flexible connections
- Identify actions to address issues
- Address risk & issues identified
- Review of implementation

P3 – Interactivity
- Review of outcomes of CMP328, Ofgem’s SCR decision, and learning from Interactivity experience
- Identifying recommended actions from review phase
- Implement any recommendations from review phase

P4 – Connection Agreement Review
- Progress 2021 recommendations

In addition to the above, WS2 will be monitoring the Access and Forward-Looking Charges SCR and will support actions as needed. WS2 will also monitor the code mods raised in 2021 including QM, User Commitment Issues, and CMP328. WS2 will have a focus on continuing to monitor and progress the User Commitment Issues CUSC modification(s) raised in 2021.
DSO Transition – Product Areas

- Fulfilling an overarching role to monitor and steer Distribution system operation (DSO) developments across all workstreams.

**DSO Roadmap (P1)**

Identifying and tracking against key DSO initiatives and developments in the DSO transition.

**Conflicts of Interest & Unintended Consequences (CoI & UC) register (P2)**

Capturing and investigating potential CoI and UC raised by stakeholders, along with identifying appropriate mitigation measures, and monitoring their progress to provide visibility to industry.

DSO Transition will continue to take responsibility for horizon scanning possible impacts on the direction of travel for DSO. In light of major developments such as Access and Forward-Looking charges SCR and Energy Future System Operator, and the submission of DNO ED2 business plans, the need for further development within Open Networks will be considered.
WS3 will continue to fulfil an overarching role to monitor and inform DSO related policy and to steer DSO developments in line with this across the project. WS3 will act as the focal point for driving actions that are required for the transition in the short (ED1), medium (ED2) and long (ED3 onwards) timescales.
Whole Energy Systems – Product Areas

Facilitating more **cost-effective network investment and operations** across the whole energy system (electricity and gas) through **delivering tangible improvements** to existing processes through **more coordinated approaches and knowledge sharing**.

Proactively support and inform the development of a national framework and associated policies for **local area energy planning** from a networks perspective.

**Whole Systems CBA (P1)**
Monitoring & supporting CBA use and explore opportunities for co-ordination with the CEM tool.

**Coordinated Gathering of Regional Data (P3)**
Monitor and support trials of the longer-term local authority led approach identified in 2021.

**Local Whole System Optioneering Service (P4)**
Further develop service providing coordinated electricity and gas networks input to inform Local Authorities’ development plans using a go/no go approach.

**Shaping Local Area Energy Planning (P5)**
Shaping network input into BEIS, Ofgem, and ESC work on Local Area Energy Mapping and Planning

**Monitoring of Innovation Projects (P0)**
Consolidating and disseminating outcomes and learnings from innovation trails across the industry, deriving greater value from trails.
Continue to monitor and support the use of the CBA tool and gather feedback

Review CEM changes e.g. Carbon Value, and explore opportunities for co-ordination with the CEM, planning for longer term alignment

Monitoring trails and the outputs

Phased implementation of Investment planning service – Details TBC following scope proposal to Open Networks Steering Group in Nov 21

Provide networks input into Ofgem, BEIS and ESC initiatives that are progressing the development LAEP frameworks and policy. Develop best practice and guidance for local area energy planning.

Monitor ongoing industry innovation trials, collating and disseminating project outputs and learnings amongst networks

Whole Energy Systems – Activities & timelines

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P1 – Whole Systems CBA

P3 – Coordinated Gathering of Regional Data

P4 – Local Whole System Optioneering Service

P5 – Shaping Local Area Energy Planning (LAEP)

P0 – Monitoring of innovation projects

The voice of the networks
Comms & stakeholder engagement

Objectives

• Effectively deliver our key messages to stakeholders through targeted and general messaging.

• Publicise the outputs from Open Networks and their contribution to the outcomes in the key messages.

• Provide customers and interested stakeholders with the opportunity to engage with our development work and better understand our output.

• Reach the breadth of stakeholders we want to engage (including parliamentarians and policy-makers, industry parties and community energy participants).

Main Activities

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<td>Webinars to provide opportunities for the wider stakeholder community</td>
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<td>Online media-buying (advertising) to promote Open Networks events,</td>
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<td>Communications and engagement strategy development</td>
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How to get involved

If you are interested in learning more about any of the below please contact opennetworks@energynetworks.org.

- Becoming a Challenge Group representative (Closes 16 Nov)
- Applying for the Challenge Group Independent Chair role (Closes 16 Nov)
- Responding to the 2022 high-level scope document consultation (Closes 16 Nov)

Or click here to join our mailing list