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## DSOs as intermediaries

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Are there any actual challenges or issues in the operation of the power system between the TSO and DSO due to the mass deployment of RES/DER?
What were the causes or background consideration in dealing with such issues? What were or are the proposed solutions to such challenges?

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### **Motivation**

- TSO has system responsibility which is enforced through system services
  - Congestion management
  - Reserve capacities
  - Further ancillary services
  - Safety
- An high amount of provision units for system services will be located at DSO level
  - Small and decentral units
  - E.g. Photovoltaik, E-Mobility, Heat Pumps, Batteries, ...
- New concepts of communication will be required
  - How to facilitate information exchange between TSO and units?
  - How to handle uncertainty about service availability?

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### **Proposed solution**

- DSOs are required as intermediaries
  - Service availability must be known and aggregated
  - Local grid restrictions must be adhered
- Avoid excessive data exchange for security reasons
- Information transmitted is suffiencient to depict system state
- TSO receives only feasible offers for ancillary services
- DSO's aggregated result is more robust than individual service offers
  - Statistical self-balancing effects

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