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- Informally established in 1999 as a TSO club
- Refounded in June 2001 as an association of TSOs, with clear rules and voting rights, and with a permanent secretariat in Brussels
- 33 TSO Members from 18 countries
- 4 Centrel-TSOs as Associate members
OBJECTIVES

- To ensure the development of the EU Internal Electricity Market while maintaining the security of supply
- To co-operate with organisations and institutions having similar objects
- To investigate and resolve scientific and regulatory issues of common interest to TSOs
ACHIEVEMENTS

- Implementation of a harmonised transitory cross-border tariff mechanism for Europe (CBT)
- Publication of Available Transmission Capacities in the European Interconnectors
- Proposals on congestion management methods
- Setting-up of Electronic highway to facilitate information exchange among TSOs
**ONGOING WORK (1)**

- Proposal for a future and more permanent CBT system for 2003
- Design of co-ordinated congestion management
- Harmonised specifications for an electronic data interchange between market participants
Analyses of the co-operation between TSOs and power exchanges to specify responsibilities and obligations

Benchmarking on transmission tariffs to identify different exiting methods and possible degree of harmonisation
NEW AREAS OF WORK

- Balance management: to improve understanding of current practices and harmonise the principles
- Security of Supply: to look into long-term aspects concerning availability of reserves, location of power plants, system adequacy, signals and incentives to market players, balance in a deregulated market
- RES and the role of TSOs on certification
- Development and integration of South East markets into EU electricity market
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