





## A Common Target Regulatory Framework for the Mediterranean TSOs

## **Harmonization of Technical Rules**

Today, Wednesday 15 march 2017, a workshop took place in Madrid, entitled "A Common Target Regulatory Framework for the Mediterranean TSOs – Harmonization of Technical Rules". The workshop has been organized by Med-TSO, the Association of Mediterranean Transmission System Operators, hosted by Red Eléctrica de España (REE) at its headquarters in Alcobendas, Madrid, and supported by the European Commission.

Almost 60 people from 13 countries took part to the event, promoted by Med-TSO's Technical Committee 2 "Regulation and Institutions" to share views on the Common Target Regulatory Framework and the Tentative Road Map, as well as to interchange experiences and challenges in the different fields of practical implementation at national level and multinational harmonization of rules concerning TSOs functions.

The definition of a Common Target Regulatory Framework for the Mediterranean and the possible Road Map for its implementation are outcomes of the activities performed by Med-TSO in the frame of its Mediterranean Project: funded by the EU, the project aims at establishing a permanent exchange of knowledge, developing and implementing a harmonized and integrated Mediterranean electricity grid and setting up a roadmap to share resources, costs and risks of investments in energy infrastructures in the Mediterranean Region.

**Eva Pagan,** General Manager of Transmission Division of Red Eléctrica de España, welcomed the guests: "The Mediterranean is our natural area of influence. Our Spanish electric system is connected to the Moroccan network since 1998 and REE, RTE, REN, ONEE, SONELGAZ and STEG share technical and economic information. This has shown to be very useful for all partners and has improved operational issues of the interconnected systems through shared experiences and common knowledge.

We fully support Med-TSO's Mission, Vision and Objectives and I sincerely hope that today's experience will contribute to the progress of work of our common project called « Mediterranean Project » to be completed in approximately one year. All Med-TSO Partners, our stakeholders Medreg, UfM (Union for the Mediterranean), ENTSO-E and the EC (European Commission DG NEAR), which is supporting our work with a three-year grant, are contributing and assisting us in achieving the expected results".

Thus, **Victor Baptista**, Med-TSO acting President wished all an excellent experience and then left the floor to **Juan Francisco Alonso**, Med-TSO TC2 chairman and Manager of Grid Access Department of REE, who opened the first session of work on "Presentation of Med-TSO Technical Committee 2 Regulation and Institutions". The second and third sessions of the workshop dealt with the multinational harmonization and the national implementation.

Mr. Ramón Granadino, Manager of Engineering and Design Area of REE, and Angelo Ferrante, Secretary General of Med-TSO, closed the workshop in the afternoon, before a visit to Red Eléctrica's Electricity Control Centre.