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# Germany base station power supply bidding



## Overview

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Should Germany split its electricity price zone into 5 bidding zones?

"Germany as an industrial location needs reliability, planning security and affordable energy," says energy industry association BDEW. Photo: Mohn/CLEW. European transmission system operators (TSOs) have recommended that Germany split its single electricity price zone into up to five bidding zones.

Should Germany's power price zone be rearranged?

Think tank Agora Energiewende said the issue of rearranging Germany's power price zone will only gain in importance as more flexible consumers – including hydrogen electrolyzers, electric vehicles, heat pumps and storage facilities – form part of the future, renewables-based electricity system.

Will Germany split its power price zone in 2023?

In their coalition treaty, Germany's likely next government parties rejected the splitting of Germany's uniform power price zone. Grid balancing costs in Germany have increased in recent years, amounting to 3.2 billion euros in 2023.

How did the German power market perform in 2023?

The trading volume for German power brokered by LEBA members increased by about 31% from 2,073 TWh in 2022 to 2,725 TWh in 2023.<sup>17</sup> The volume of over-the-counter (OTC) clearing of German power futures on EEX increased by about 42% in 2023 to 1,977 TWh.

Who can trade electricity in Germany?

Currently, electricity producers, such as wind parks and coal power plants, and consumers, such as utilities or businesses, can freely trade electricity across Germany, regardless of where it comes from or where it is needed, and without needing to consider transmission constraints.

What was Germany's first electricity import surplus in a long time?

Generation by conventional power plants was down by 78.2 TWh (26.5%) to 216.4 TWh. Germany recorded the first electricity import surplus in a long time (12.4 TWh). Electricity generation in the chapter on generation refers to net electricity generation, unless otherwise indicated.

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