



PDG Flexibility 25/09/2026 – Document Release 4 - Meeting Minutes

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Meeting Minutes

The Product Design Group presented the main changes proposed under **Document Release 4 (DR4)** to the flexibility documents published by Synergrid. The objective of the meeting was to explain the proposed changes, provide practical information on the consultation process and collect initial feedback from market parties.

DR4 aims to simplify and streamline the current framework for explicit flexibility, remove remaining barriers and prepare the framework for congestion management and future European developments, including the Network Code Demand Response.

The meeting was supported by a [slide deck](#). These meeting minutes capture the main questions and interactions between participants.

Discussions and questions on DR4 content

Market parties raised several questions on the proposed DR4 changes. The main clarifications were:

- **Access Contract Flexibility:** the contract provides a national framework applicable across the three regions and supports adequacy, balancing and congestion services (including reactive power / MVar services). Questions mainly concerned its scope and liability provisions.
- **Product combinations:** DR4 further clarifies which combinations are possible and under which conditions. The market design is still evolving, but the current approach is to keep the market as open as possible and refine the framework based on operational experience. Questions focused on the meaning of "not always possible" and on the applicable granularity. It was clarified that decisions will be taken at quarter-hour level. In the short term, system operators will monitor the occurrence of contradictory and coinciding activation events to assess whether additional rules are needed.
- **Activation Register:** the register will improve transparency and traceability. Access will depend on each party's role and area of responsibility, meaning that FSPs, FRPs and DSOs will only see the information relevant to them.

Additional discussions and questions

In addition to the discussions on the proposed DR4 changes, market parties raised a number of broader topics related to the future development of flexibility in Belgium.

- **Customer awareness and business cases:** Market parties stressed that the value of flexibility is still difficult to understand from an end-customer perspective. The question of "what is in it for me?" remains central, particularly as many customer business cases are currently insufficiently attractive.
- **Coordination:** The importance of coordinating activities and communications, for example with the ongoing iCAROS initiatives, was also highlighted, to connect related topics and avoid fragmented communication towards customers.
- **Corrected Model:** FEBELIEC, FEBEG and ENGIE asked to keep the Corrected Model (CM) actively on the agenda, pursue a gradual HV-MV-LV roll-out, and continue preparatory work

rather than waiting for full regulatory clarity. The topic will be on the agenda of the next Elia user group meeting on 12 November 2026.

Consultation and next steps

The DR4 public consultation runs from **28 September to 9 November 2026**. Market parties can provide feedback on both the need for the proposed changes and the proposed solutions. Concrete alternative proposals are particularly welcome where market parties disagree with the proposed approach.

After the consultation, the system operators will analyse the feedback and explain how the comments have been addressed. The documents will then be consolidated and submitted to the regulators.