

## Electricity transmission planning

A perspective from Australia and the US





## The 'energy trilemma' is common across the world, now with the added challenges of decentralisation and digitalisation

#### Traditional one-way power flows...







#### ... are increasingly replaced by complex flows

















### Countries are constrained in how they address these issues by the wider structure of the markets and the regulatory focus

**US ISO model** 



**Europe** 



**NEM** 



- **Nodal pricing**

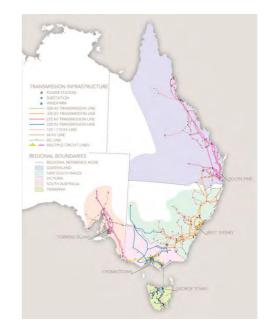
- ORGANIZATIONS
- Economic, reliability and public policy criteria

- Zonal pricing (often whole country)...
- ...but calls for LMPs (Poland?)



- Socio-economic welfare ...
- ...but some regulators focus on consumers (e.g. Ofgem)

Zonal pricing (Regional Reference Nodes)



- Socio-economic welfare...
- ...historical shift away from consumer emphasis





### US and Australia face the same problems of technological change and intermittency, but the approaches to planning differ significantly

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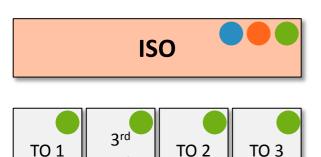


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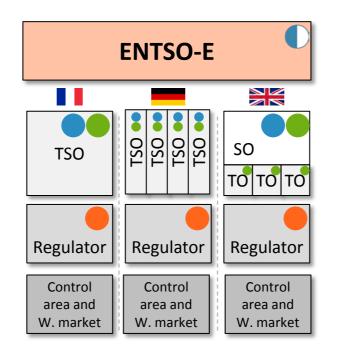




Regulators (FERC and state-level regulators)

party

Control area and wholesale market













Regulator (AER)

Control area and wholesale market

Legend:



Scenario development and identification of system needs



Optioneering and identification of possible solutions

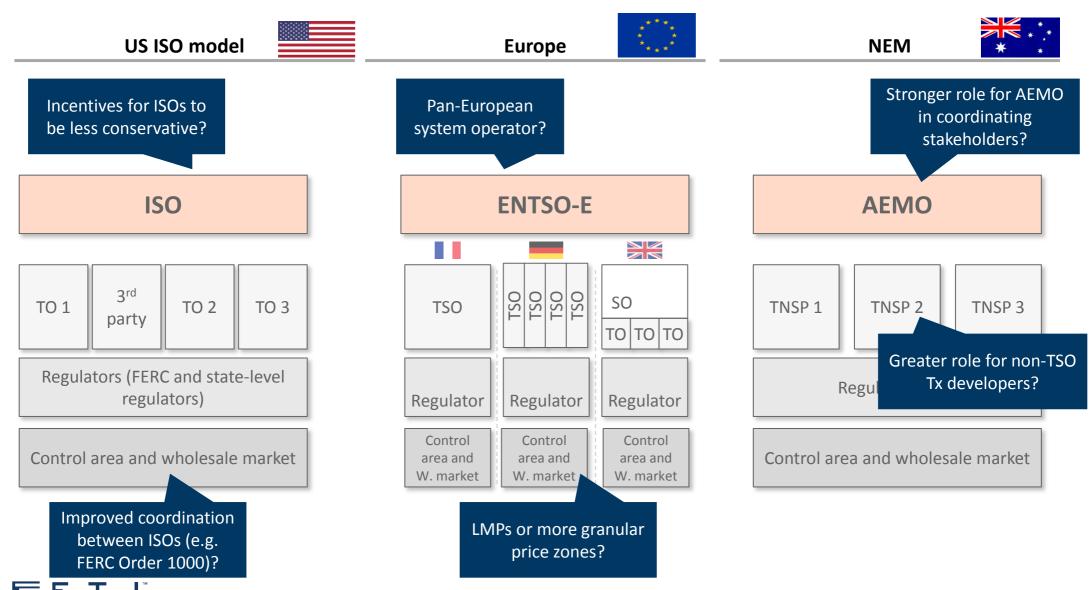


Decision-making on the preferred solution





# Market design can be adapted to improve outcomes, but policy makers need to make a concerted effort to deliver change



#### Any questions?



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