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● Study on the Regional Initiatives

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● Three concerns from EC-side

- risk of divergence between regions
 - » e.g. single auction office
- quite some progress, but some regions encounter several obstacles and delays
- how to meet
 - » top-down approach of the 3rd package with
 - » bottom-up approach of RI

● Expected output from study

- identification of issues where an identical approach between MS or Regions is necessary for IEM
 - » Identification of issues where a regional/bottom-up approach can be valuable;
- roadmap with precise methodology, structure, timetable, decision making criteria and responsibilities of stakeholders involved in order to guarantee that the bottom-up approach of the regional initiatives, perfectly matches the more top down approach of the 3rd package;
- best practices for the regional initiatives;
- practical set of recommendations, determining the role and responsibilities of all stakeholders involved

● Timing of study is strict

- everis/MercadosEMI started end July 2009
- Interim Report presented at RI-Conference 17 November 2009
- Florence&Madrid Forum: presentation of Draft Final Study
- Draft Final Study will be sent to participants by 18 December at the latest
- ERGEG and stakeholders are invited to give comments/suggestions by 31 January 2010
- Final Study ready by +/- 20 March 2010

● Commission plans on follow-up

- Study will serve as input for EC for *Communication on the Regional Initiatives* to be adopted in June 2010
 - » vision of EC on way forward with regional initiatives
 - » proposals as to
 - role of Member States
 - role of EC
 - appropriate format of stakeholder involvement



Thank you for your attention

