

The logo for ACER (Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators) features the acronym 'ACER' in a large, blue, serif font.

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The background of the slide is a collage of energy-related images. On the left, two white wind turbines stand on a sandy dune with sparse grass. On the right, there are three circular inset images: the top one shows four large industrial cooling towers; the middle one shows a field of solar panels; the bottom one shows a dam with water flowing through its spillways. A green circle is positioned to the left of the main title text.

Report on ACER Progress

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● The Official Opening (1)

- ACER was officially opened on 3 March 2011 ...



- ... at the same time as the Third Energy Package entered into force

- ACER has been operating in its Seat in Ljubljana since 1 February 2011



● The Official Opening (2)



● The Official Opening (3)



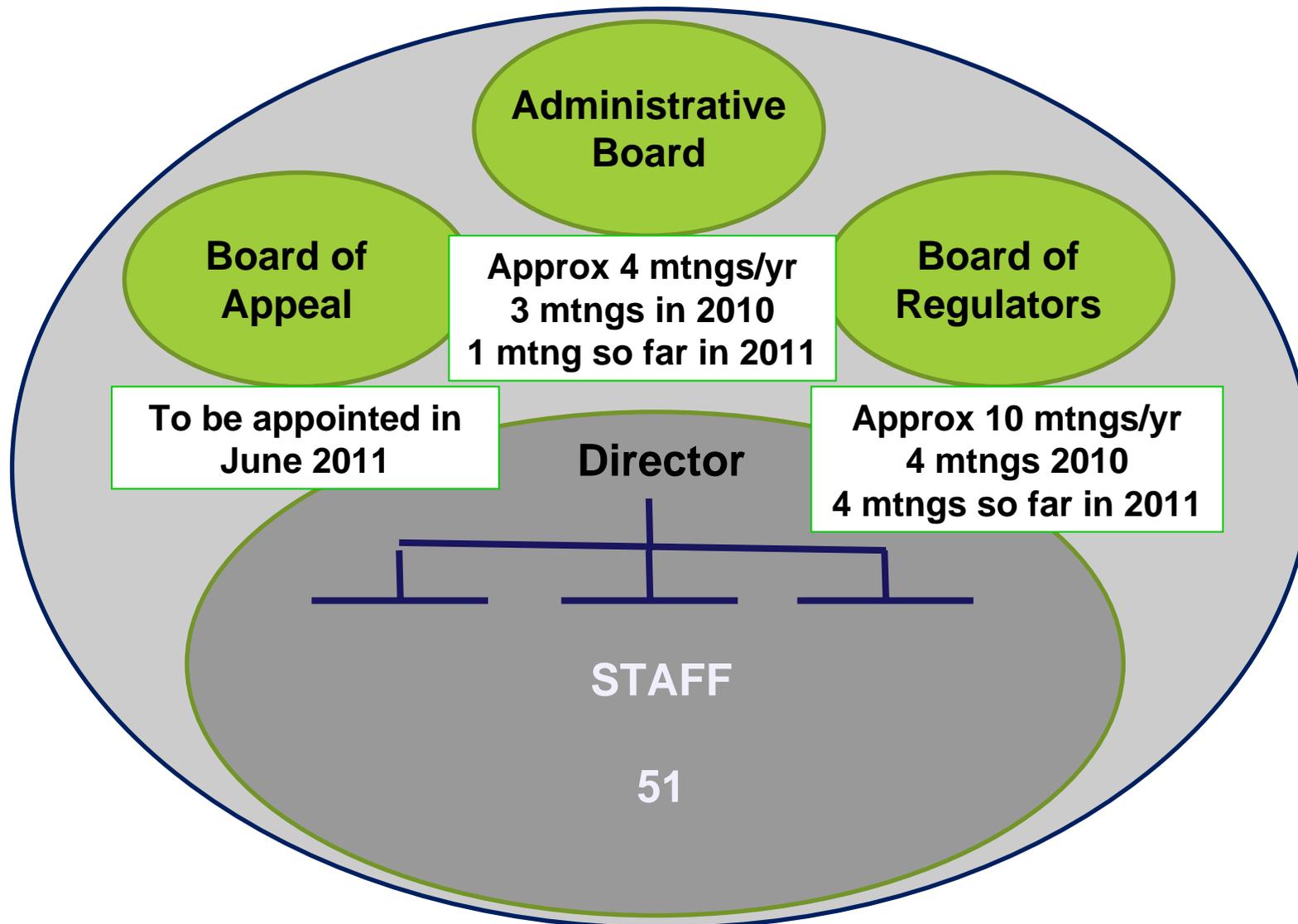
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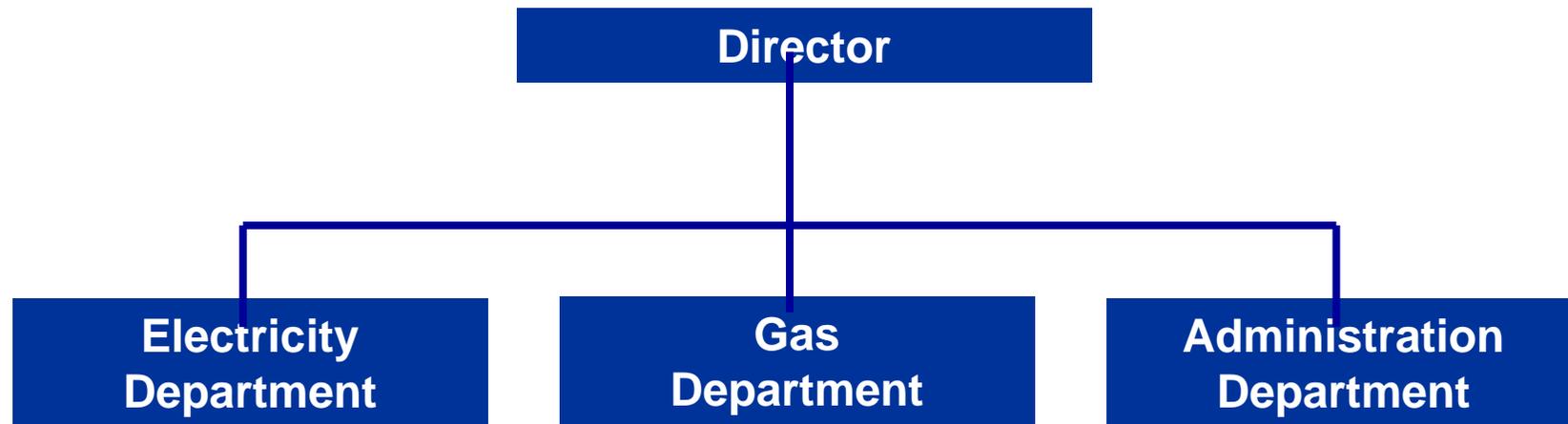
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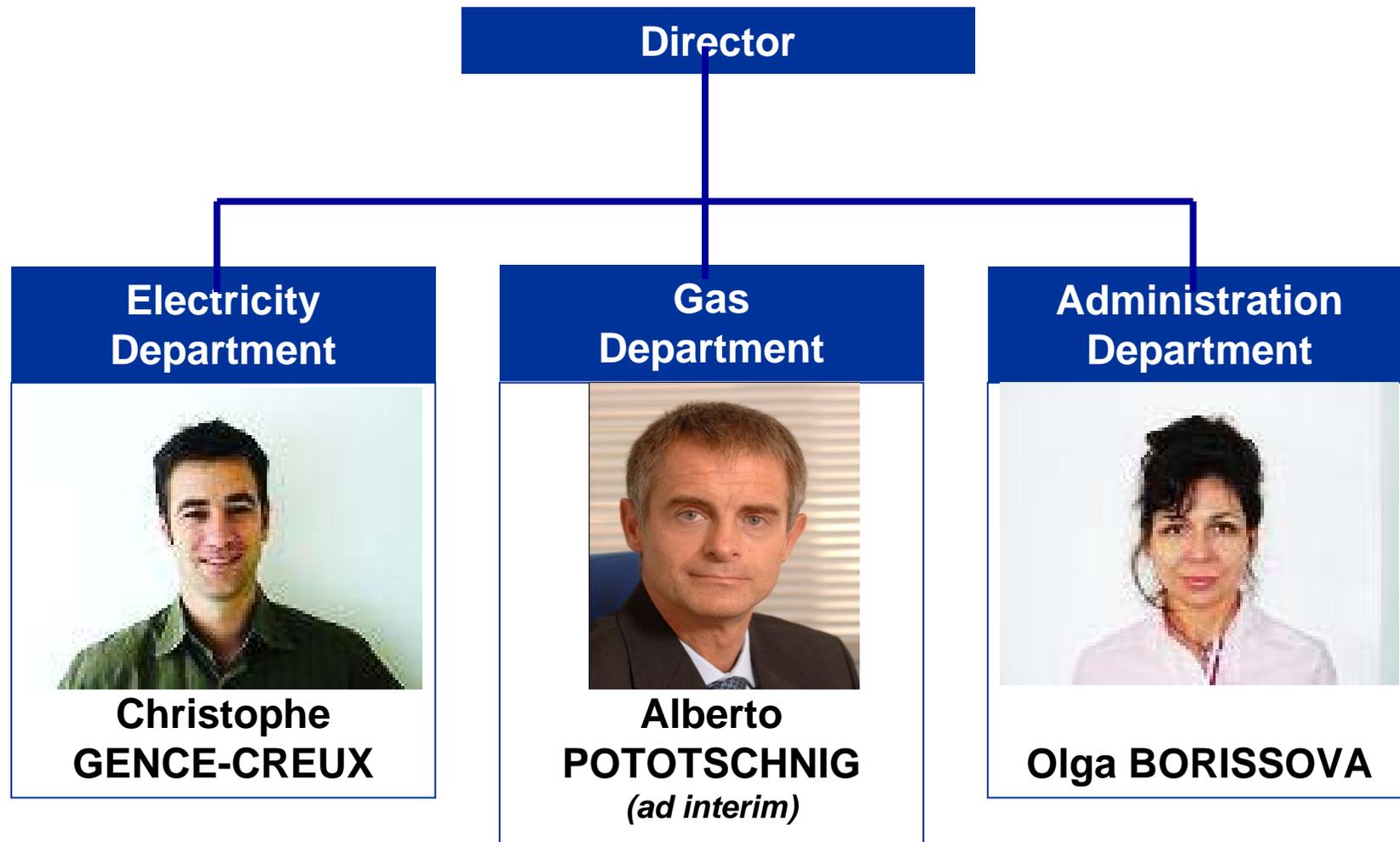
● ACER's Governance



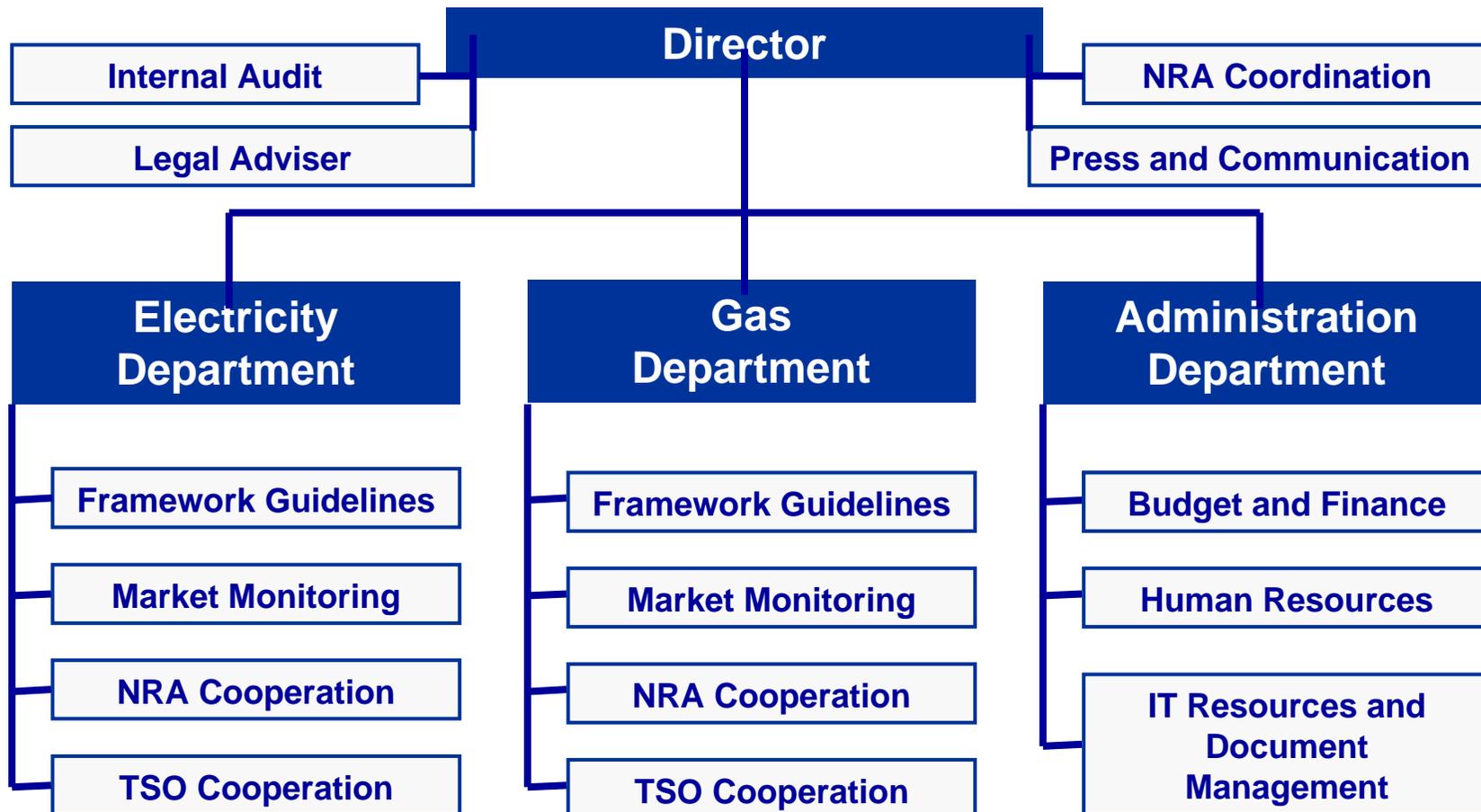
- ACER Internal Structure (1)



● ACER Internal Structure (2)



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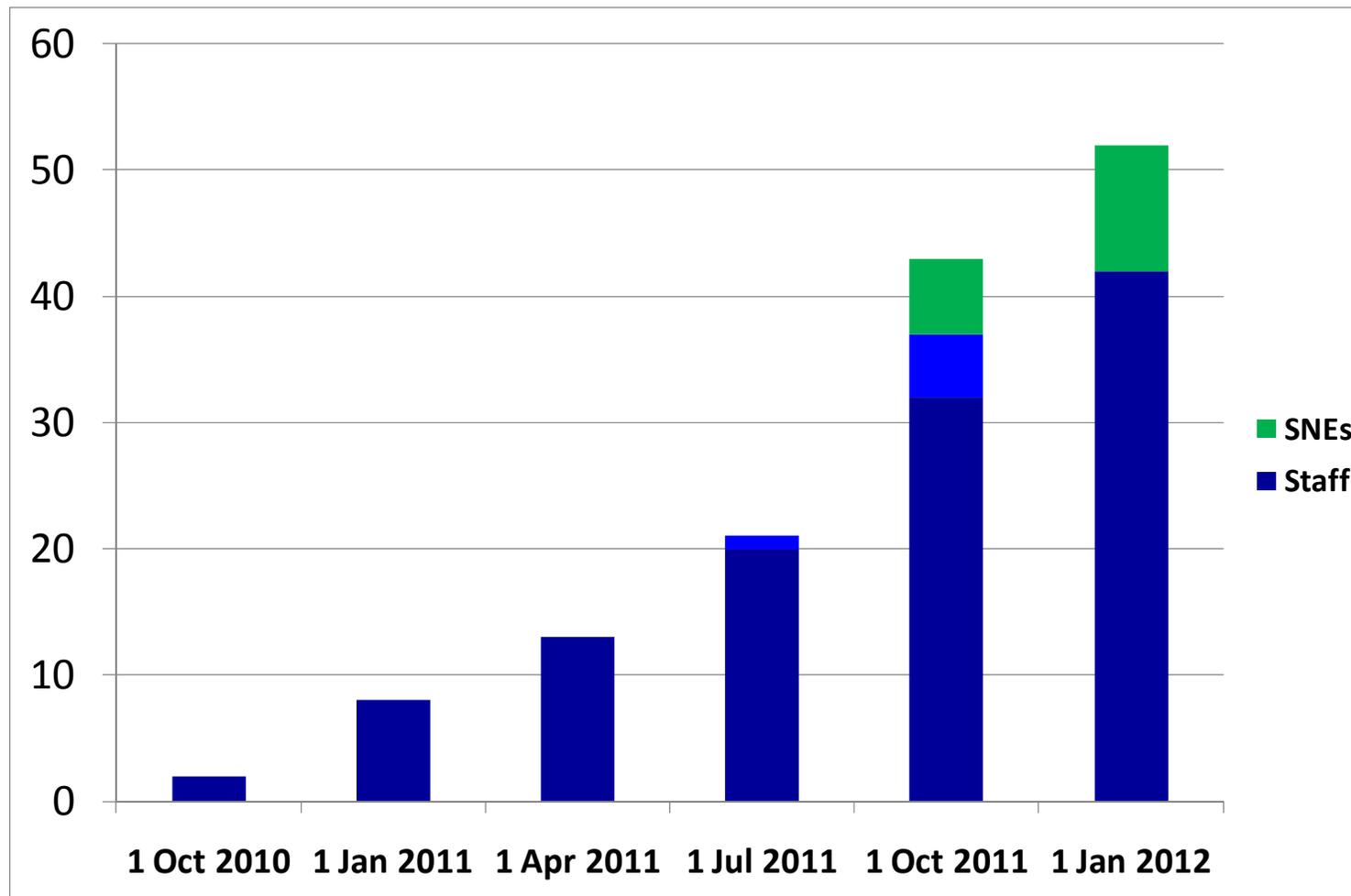
● ACER Staff



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● Temporary Agents (TA)	40
● Contract Agents (CA)	2
● Seconded National Experts (SNE)	10
● TOTAL	52

● Staff Recruitment Plan (1)

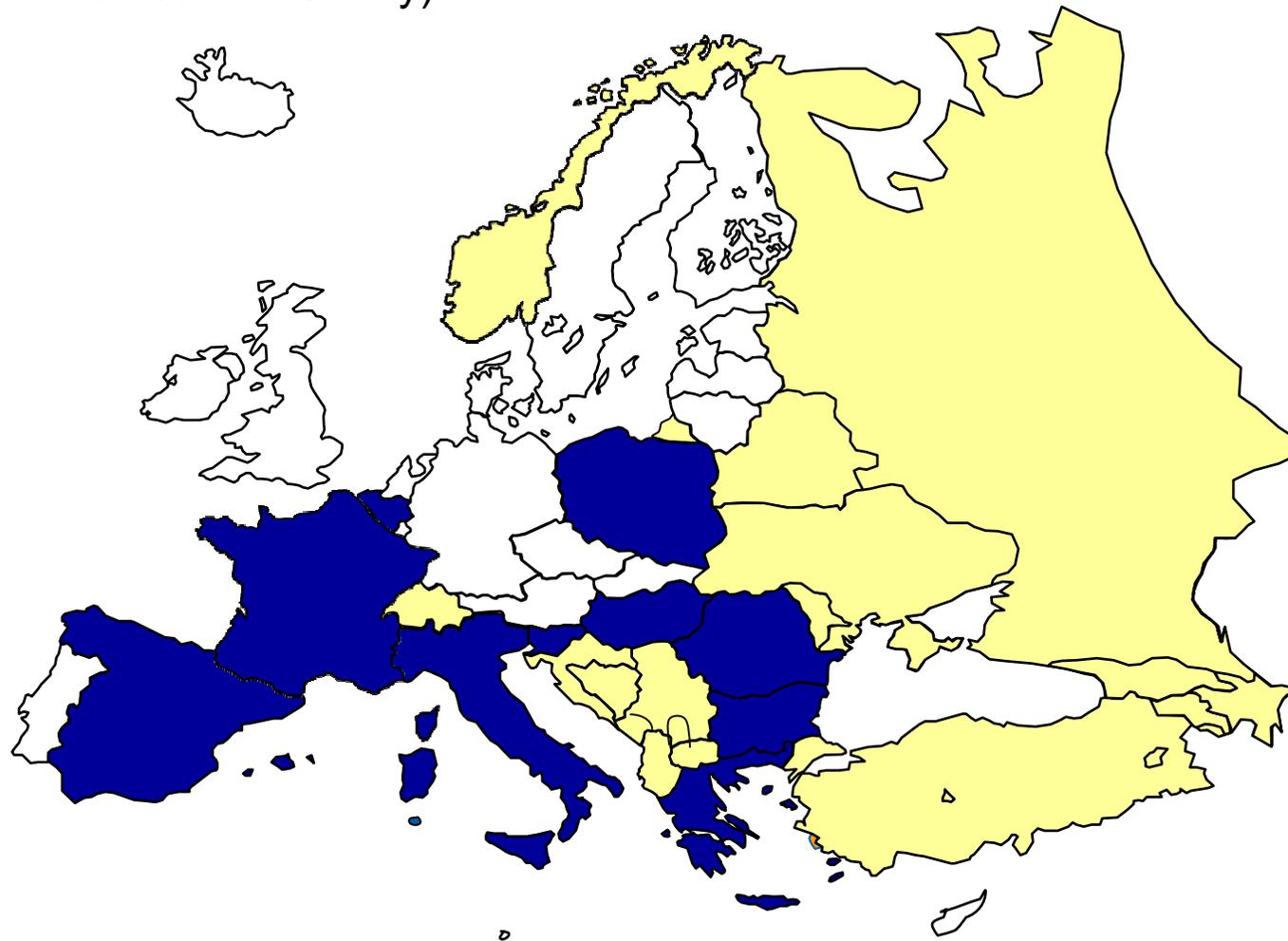


- Staff Recruitment Plan (2)

Status	Staff/Positions
Already in office	20 (19 TAs + 1 CA)
Appointed	7 (1 TA + 6 SNEs)
Under selection	11 (10 TAs + 1 CA)
Still to be published	14 (10 TAs +4 SNEs)

Nationality Composition of ACER Staff

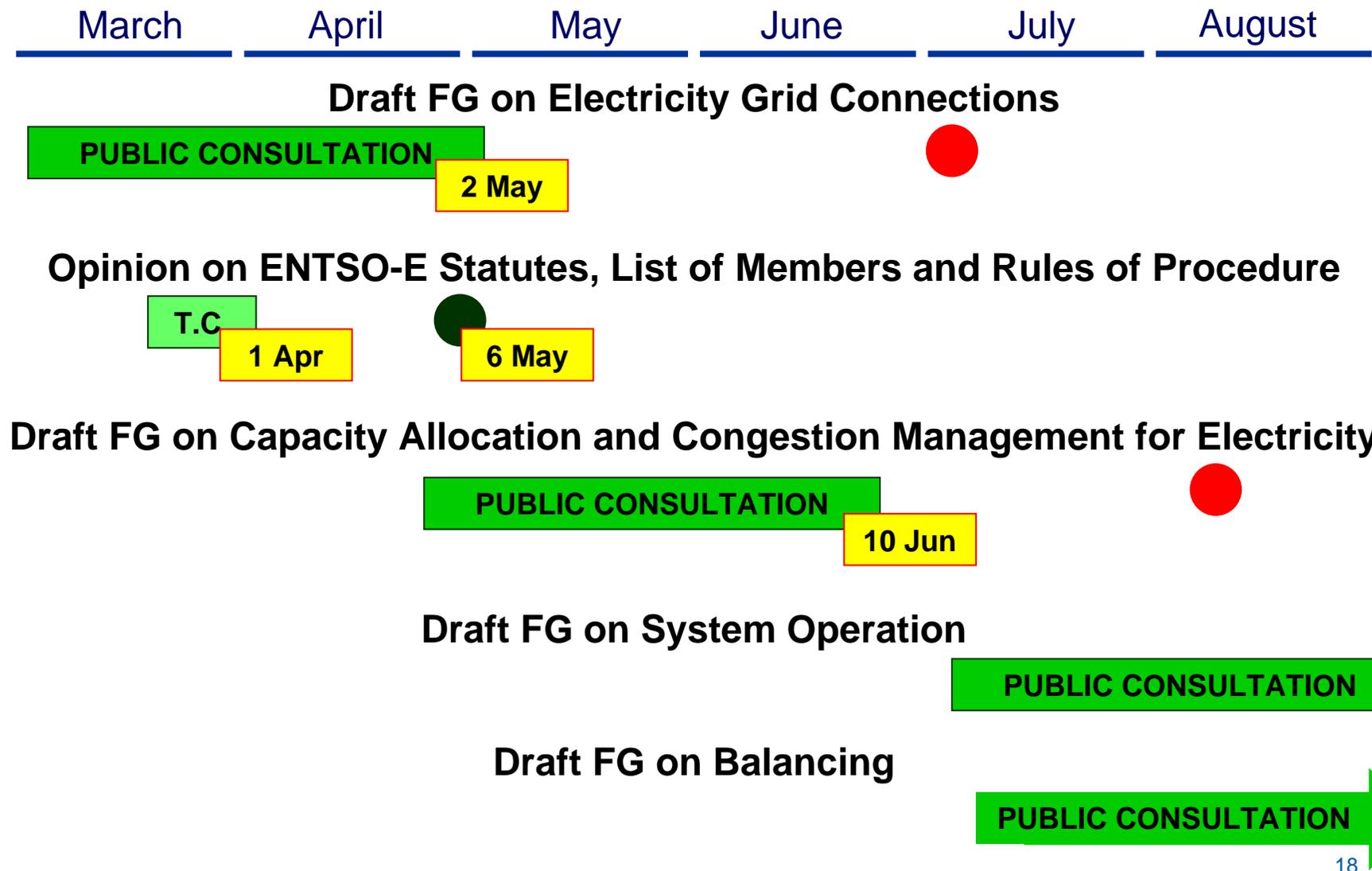
(staff in office on 15 May)



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● The recent past and immediate future



● Working Groups

- Two Working Groups established on March 1st, 2011
 - Electricity Working Group
 - Chairman: Peter Plug
 - Vice-Chairman: Martin Crouch
 - Gas Working Group
 - Chairman: Walter Boltz

AESAG

Agency Electricity Stakeholders Advisory Group

- Established as a continuation of AHAG
- Voluntary process and participation
- Similar composition: EC, NRAs, ENTSO-E, Stakeholder (CEDEC, CEFIC, EFET, GEODE, IFIEC, Eurelectric, EuroPEX)
- Coordinated by ACER
- Main objectives:
 - To come up with a feasible Roadmap for the implementation of the “Target Model” to meet the 2014 Target
 - In parallel with the formal process (FG – NC)
 - To be endorsed by Commission and ACER/NRAs
- Good response from stakeholders
- Three meetings: 15 March, 3 May and 10 May

● Regional Initiatives (1)

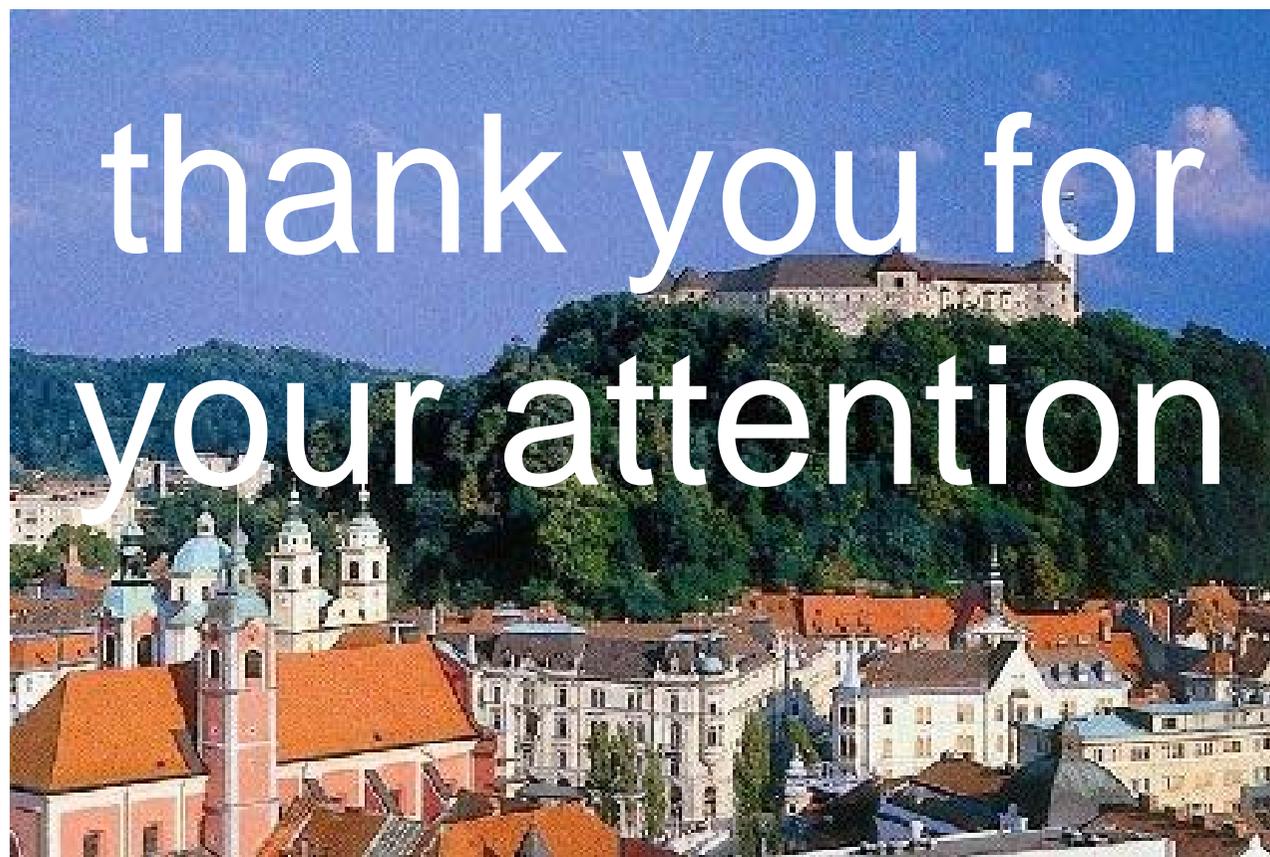
- Agency's role in promoting regional cooperation (Regulation (EC) No 713/2009):
 - The Agency shall monitor the regional cooperation of transmission system operators (art. 6(9))
 - The Agency shall provide a framework within which national regulatory authorities can cooperate. It shall promote cooperation between the national regulatory authorities and between regulatory authorities at regional and Community level (art. 7(3))

● Regional Initiatives (2)

- No RI Working Group will be established
- Final approach to RI coordination to be defined after Communication by the Commission
- In the meanwhile, Regional Initiatives to be coordinated directly by ACER (joint Coordination by HoDs and Rafael Gómez-Elvira González appointed as Joint Coordinator)
- Provide support to RI NRAs in developing their contribution to the EU Energy Work Plan 2011 – 2014 to be submitted to the Commission and ACER by the end of June

● Looking ahead

- Developing 2012 Work Programme (in line with the joint EC/ACER/ENTSO-E 3-year Work Plan)
 - Submitted by the Director to the BoR, the EP and the EC by 30 June
 - Approved by the BoR by 1 September
 - Adopted by the AB by 30 September and transmitted to the EP, the Council and the EC
- REMIT likely to assign additional responsibilities in wholesale market monitoring



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