

# Phase 2 - Overview Webinar 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2020





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# Outline



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# We want your feedback

## Today

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- Please ask questions throughout the presentation ٠
- Discuss your thoughts
- Open questions at the end of the session •

## After the event

Send feedback to : <u>sofia.eng@NODESmarket.com</u> •



# Outline

**IntraFlex** 







# **Project Overview**

- The project builds on WPD's existing procurement of flexibility services through Flexible Power.
- IntraFlex aims to understand how to deliver a link between DNO procurement activity and Balance Responsible Party (BRP) imbalance positions.
- It will test a short-term market for DNO flexibility which actively accounts for the imbalance it creates in the electricity market.
- It is a £1.2m project (£0.89m NIA funded) and runs from October 19 to November 21. The project partners are NODES and SGC.







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# Phase 1 Review

The Phase 1 trial was aiming to have a first pass at the platform, to gather learning and experience to feed into a larger Phase 2.

The Phase 1 trial was broken down into individual tests as follows;

Test 0 - Technical Proving

- Test 1 Basic Function and FSP Interaction
- Test 2 Speed of response to order requirements
- **Test 3** Increased Base price (Optional pending outcome of Test 2)
- Test 4 Profiled Capacity linked to pricing.





# Phase 1 Trial Plan

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# Phase 1 Review - What we saw

- There was a limited number of participants so results are anecdotal and shouldn't be seen as representative of a fully fledged market.
- ✓ We completed 241 trades procuring 50.15MW (½ hourly).
- ✓ We saw offers from 3MW down to 10kW and traded at prices £180 down to £120/MW/HH. Some bids matched within 10 minutes of submission; others matched within 2 hours of real time.
- Participant behaviour varied over the trial with different levels of engagement. Some of this was to do with the limited nature of the trial.
- ✓ We also believe that annual leave during the tests had an impact on the ability for participants to place offers.



## Bids put up proactively on Mondays and

Phase 1 Review - Learnings Summary

We learnt:

Fridays.

- Level of response was variable
- Speed of response was variable
- Bids driven by timings and volumes rather than price.

A lot of this driven by the early nature of the trial.

We hope to build on this going forward.

## IntraFlex

We operated 4 sub trials.





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# IntraFlex

# Phase 2 Overview

The focus is on ramping up and delivering a larger trial in Spring 2021. This Phase will focus on:

- Driving closer to a BaU behaviours
- Longer duration trial with more value on the platform
- Increased liquidity and hence competition.
- Active bids from providers to create competition on price rather than just speed.
- Platform and process improvements to make things simpler and easier to scale.
- Information Service.





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## IntraFlex Phase 2 Sub Trials

the IntraFlex portal to set up and test the API it is necessary to register and obtain a use

eived your username you will be able to set a password and securely access the API Testing

WPD INNOVATION Transforming the electricity network

Test 5

3 Weeks

Test 6

3 Weeks

Submit Registration Form

Test 0

4 Weeks

End March '21

Sign Membership agreement

Test 1

3 Weeks

Complete relevant technical build

Test 2

3 Weeks

Test 3

3 Weeks

Test 4

3 Weeks

Set up metering API in portal



Onboarding

**Pre-trial** 

IntraFlex Portal

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# Phase 2 Sub Trials

Test Zero (P2-T0) 4 weeks

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• Complete Test Zero (T0)

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End March '21

• Agree suitable assets and window for testing

Test 2

3 Weeks

Test 3

3 Weeks

Test 4

3 Weeks

- Submit offer on Platform
- WPD submit matching bid

Test 1

3 Weeks

- Fulfil event delivery
- Data check / settlement
- Approval to proceed into full trials



Test 6

3 Weeks

Test 5

3 Weeks

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Test 6

3 Weeks

Test 5

3 Weeks

Onboarding Test 0 End March '21 4 Weeks 3 Weeks 3 Weeks 3 Weeks 3 Weeks 3 Weeks



## IntraFlex Phase 2 Sub Trials

## **Key Principals**

- Increase participant interaction with the market
- Shift to participants leading the bid price
- DSO actions modified to support continuous clearing



## IntraFlex Phase 2 Sub Trials



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- Initial Market information bids placed 7 days ahead.
- Volume requirements communicated to participants
- Positive confirmation of network assessment
- Participants respond to volume with prices
- WPD submits value of bids closer to real time (to be discussed later)
- Bids clear
- Remaining volume stays





# **Volume Requirements**

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## IntraFlex Phase 2 Sub Trials

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- Initial Market information bids placed <u>7 days ahead</u>.
- Volume requirements communicated to participants
- Positive confirmation of network assessment
- Participants respond to volume with prices
- WPD submits value of bids closer to real time (to be discussed later)
- Bids clear
- Remaining volume stays



# Test 2 (P2-T1) Simple Bidding 3 weeks

✓ Retain a predictable timing for all actions

3 Weeks

Rather than email notice of requirements bids only reflect volume

Test 2

3 Weeks

System notifications of any activity

Test 0

4 Weeks

Onboarding

- ✓ Initial bid at T 7 days with just volume at 10:00
- FSP submit offers when they are ready with baseline and asset availability

Test 3

3 Weeks

Test 4

3 Weeks

- ✓ Max bid value published at T 3 days ahead at 10:00
- ✓ Full price available by Friday for following Monday
- ✓ Uncleared bids remain to T 90mins



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Test 6

3 Weeks

Test 5

3 Weeks

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# **P2-T1 Timeline**

Test 0 Test 2 Test 3 Test 4 Test 5 Test 6

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# P2-T1 Timeline

Onboarding Test 0 Test 1 Test 2 Test 3 Test 4 Test 5 Test 6 4 Weeks 3 Weeks

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### Fri Mon Wed Fri Sat Tue Thr Sun **Gate Close** T – 90 min Value Volume raised to Bid max **T-2** T-6 T-5 T-7 T-3 T-1 T-4 **Bid Clearing FSP** Pre Bidding

P2-T1 Timeline

Onboarding Test 0 Test 1 Test 2 Test 3 Test 4 Test 5 Test 6 4 Weeks 3 Weeks





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# **Test 2 (P2-T2)**

Phase 2 Sub Trials

Introducing Increments 3 weeks

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Retain a predictable timing for all actions

Test 1

3 Weeks

 $\checkmark$  Initial bid at T – 7 days

Test 0

4 Weeks

Onboarding

- System notifications of any activity
- Fixed schedule for bid increments each day at set time

Test 2

3 Weeks

- Fixed increase in bid price increments.
- Max bid value reached by 3 days ahead
- Full price available by Friday for following Monday



Test 3

3 Weeks

Test 4

3 Weeks



Test 6

3 Weeks

Test 5

3 Weeks



Test 0

Test 1

Test 3

Test 2

Test 4

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Test 6

Test 5

Test 3 (P2-T3) Variable increments at variable timing 3 weeks Further reduction in the structure of the bidding process encouraging FSPs to be more responsive to activity alerts from NODES system;

3 Weeks

Test 2

3 Weeks

✓ Initial bid at T – 7 days

Test 0

4 Weeks

Onboarding

- System notifications of any activity
- X Fixed schedule for bid increments each day at set time
- X Fixed increase in bid value.
- ✓ Max bid value reached by 3 days ahead

Test 1

3 Weeks

✓ Full price available by Friday for following Monday





Test 6

3 Weeks

Test 5

3 Weeks

Test 4

<u>3</u>Weeks

Phase 2 Sub Trials



Test 0 Test 1 Test 2 Test 4 Test 5 Test 6 Onboarding



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# Test 4 (P2-T4) Scarcity Pricing model 3 weeks

Further reduction in the structure of the bidding process encouraging FSPs to be more responsive to activity alerts from NODES system;

Test 2

3 Weeks

Test 3

3 Weeks

Test 4

3 Weel

- ✓ Initial bid at T 7 days
- ✓ System notification of bid activity
- ✓ Price increments relative to volume requirement
- Max bid value reached by 3 days ahead
- ✓ Full price available by Friday for following Monday





Test 6

3 Weeks

Test 5

3 Weeks

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Onboarding Test 0 Test 1 4 Weeks 3 Weeks

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@ £300

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Onboarding

Volume @ £100

Volume @ £1

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Phase 2 Sub Trials **Test 5 (P2-T5)** 

Further reduction in the structure of the bidding process encouraging FSPs to be more responsive to activity alerts from NODES system;

Test 2

3 Weeks

Test 3

3 Weeks

@ £200

3 Weeks

 $\checkmark$  Initial bid at T – 7 days

Test 0

4 Weeks

- System notification of bid activity
- Fixed schedule for bid increments each day at set time
- Fixed increase in bid value.
- Max bid value only reached Intraday
- ✓ Bids will not be placed over the weekend

Test 1

3 Weeks



3 Weeks

3 Weeks

@ £150



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# **P2-T5 Timeline**

Onboarding Test 0 Test 1 Test 2 Test 3 Test 4 Test 5 Test 6 4 Weeks 3 Weeks





# P2-T5 Timeline

Onboarding Test 0 Test 1 Test 2 Test 3 Test 4 Test 5 Test 6 4 Weeks 3 Weeks





# Phase 2 Sub Trials

Test 6 (P2-T6a) Intraday Scarcity Bids 3 weeks Further reduction in the structure of the bidding process encouraging FSPs to be more responsive to activity alerts from NODES system;

Test 2

3 Weeks

Test 3

3 Weeks

Test 4

3 Weeks

✓ Initial bid at T – 7 days

Test 0

4 Weeks

Onboarding

- ✓ System notification of bid activity
- ✓ Fixed schedule for bid increments each day at set time
- X Fixed increase in bid value
- ✓ Max bid value only reached Intraday
- $\checkmark$  Bids will not be placed over the weekend

Test 1

3 Weeks





Test 6

Test 5

3 Weeks

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# Test 6 (P2-T6b) Intraday Scarcity Bids 3 weeks

Phase 2 Sub Trials

Further reduction in the structure of the bidding process encouraging FSPs to be more responsive to activity alerts from NODES system;

Test 2

3 Weeks

Test 3

3 Weeks

Test 4

<u>3</u>Weeks

✓ Initial bid at T – 7 days

Test 0

4 Weeks

Onboarding

- ✓ System notification of bid activity
- X Fixed schedule for bid increments each day at set time
- X Fixed increase in bid value.
- ✓ Max bid value only reached Intraday
- $\checkmark$  Bids will not be placed over the weekend

Test 1

3 Weeks





Test 6

Test 5

3 Weeks



# Phase 2: Participants Trial Plan Check In

## Are there any perceived issues with this trial plan?

- Do the proposed mechanisms drive competition?
  - Simple bidding?
  - Incrementing pricing?
  - Scarcity pricing?
- Do the timings seem workable?
  - Initial bids?
  - Final bids?
  - Fixed vs variable timings?
- Any other comments?



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# **Participant Journey - Onboarding**

## 5 step process with dedicated support via NODES

For providers with assets in the relevant zones, there are 5 tasks needed before the trial can start:

- 1. Submit Registration Form
- 2. Sign Membership agreement
- 3. Complete relevant technical build
- 4. End to End System testing
- 5. Asset Approval

Submit all documents & raise any queries by email on:

member.services@nodesmarket.com



## Participant Journey – Relevant Systems overview

Participants inte	eract with 2 systems
Metering system	NODES marketplace
<ul> <li>Collects meter values from participants</li> <li>Uses these to provide the NODES system with (i) default baseline values and (ii) meter values for the validation of service delivery</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Commercial system that provides order matching and settlement services</li> <li>Dispatch signal</li> </ul>
Access via API	Access via web interface or API



# Participant Journey – Timeline



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## **Phase 2: Participants Journey Check In**

Are there any perceived issues with this participant journey?

- Timings ?
- Realistic ?



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- NODES are taking forward a number of platform developments related to orders and other features of the platform, following feedback from the Phase 1 participants.
- We welcome continued feedback throughout the project.





## Phase 2 Initiatives: Participants Check In

Phase 1 Participants -Have we missed anything?



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