

# VALUING HYDROPOWER FLEXIBILITY IN EVOLVING ELECTRICITY MARKETS

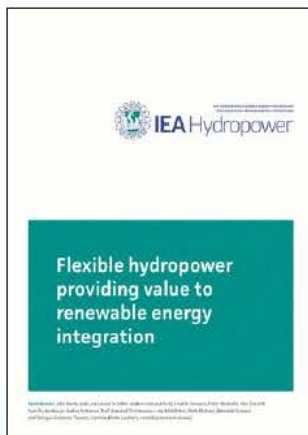


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# Flexible hydropower providing value to renewable energy integration



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# ANNEX IX WHITE PAPER 2 - OUTLINE

## Title: Valuing Hydropower Flexibility in Evolving Electricity Markets

- Brief description of system flexibility needs (ref. white paper 1)
  - Definition of flexibility services to focus on in white paper
    - How are these services impacted by more VRE
    - To what extent can hydropower provide the selected services
- Mechanisms to provide system flexibility services
  - Market-based or other (e.g. contracts, interconnection requirements)
  - Flexibility service product definitions
- International case studies of flexibility services
  - Flexibility services, procurement, prices, hydropower role, important trends
- Perspectives on future electricity markets
- Conclusion
  - Current status, evolving trends, best practices, hydro implications
- Appendix: Brief list of most important terminology

# TIMESCALES OF POWER SYSTEM FLEXIBILITY

| Flexibility type                                   | Short-term   |  |  | Medium term  | Long-term  |   |
|--|--|--|--|--|--|---|
|  | Sub-seconds to seconds                                     | Seconds to minutes                       | Minutes to hours                                 | Hours to days  | Days to months                                     | Months to years   |
| <b>Issue</b>                                       | Ensure system stability                                    | Short term frequency control             | More fluctuations in the supply / demand balance | Determining operation schedule in hour- and day-ahead          | Longer periods of VRE surplus or deficit           | Seasonal and inter-annual availability of VRE   |
| <b>Relevance for system operation and planning</b> | Dynamic stability: inertia response, voltage and frequency | Primary and secondary frequency response | Balancing real time market (power)               | Day ahead and intraday balancing of supply and demand (energy) | Scheduling adequacy (energy over longer durations) | Hydro-thermal coordination, adequacy, power system planning (energy over very long durations) |

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# FLEXIBILITY QUESTIONNAIRE

- Questions across timescales
  - Please provide a brief overview of relevant grid flexibility services and products
  - How are these flexibility services currently procured?
  - Are these services compensated?
  - Does hydropower currently provide these services to the power grid?
  - How much is normally procured of this service? Use the last year(s) average or similar
  - List important current and future developments related to these flexibility services
- Responses from 12 countries received so far
  - A wide variety of flexibility mechanisms
  - Hydro provides flexibility services across the timescales

# NEXT STEPS

- Confirm contributors to write the white paper
  - Volunteers welcome!
- Select case studies
  - Covering different flexibility topics (timescales and mechanisms)
  - Geographical diversity
- Extract relevant findings from survey
- Finalize outline and assign writing responsibilities
- Timeline
  - June-July: Prepare sections
  - Aug: Integrate material
  - Sep: Finalize
  - Oct: Announce white paper at Hydro 2020 (Strasbourg, France, Oct 26-28)

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