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SMART ENERGY

CBAM Effects on Regional Market Dynamics

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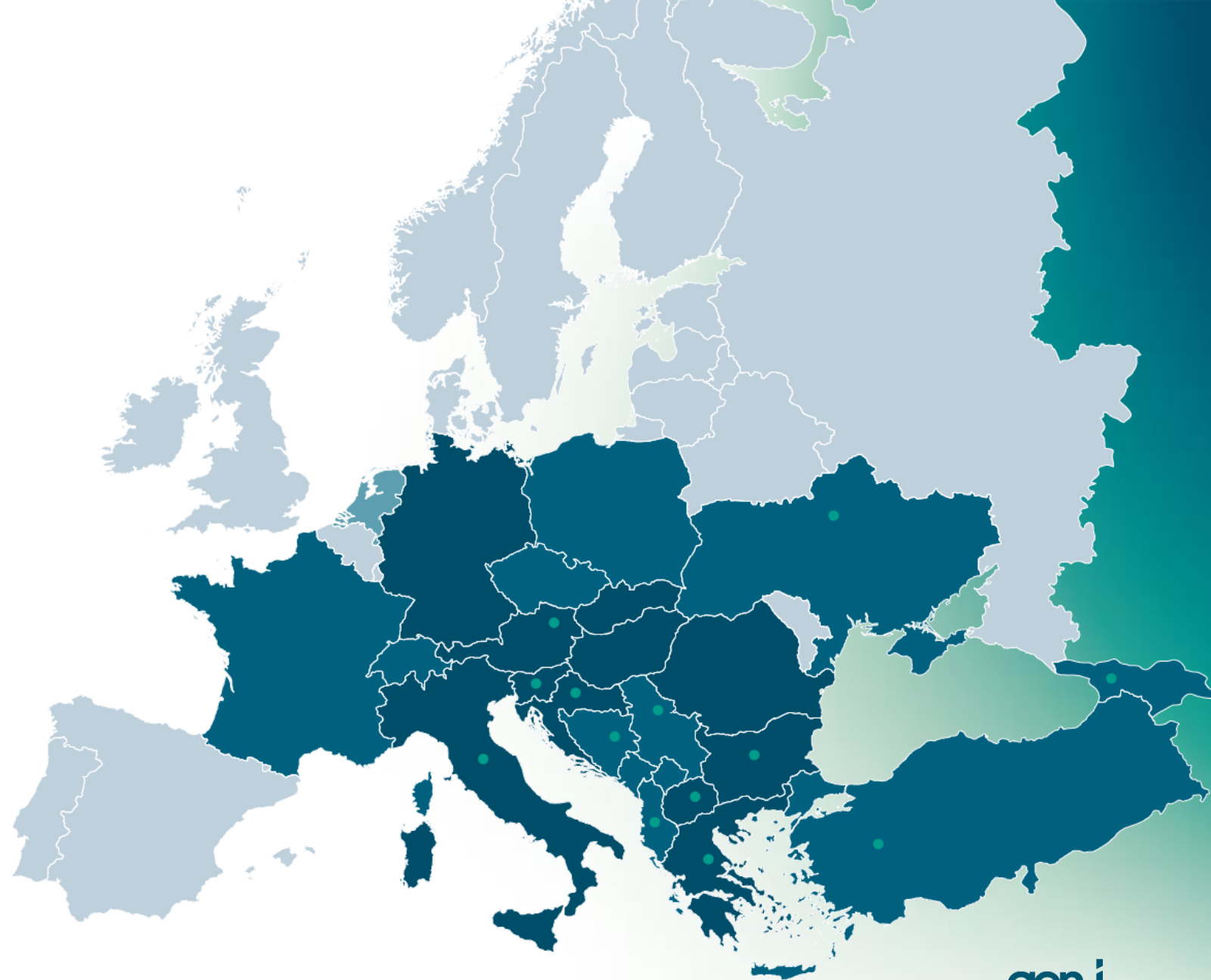
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17 companies within GEN-I Group

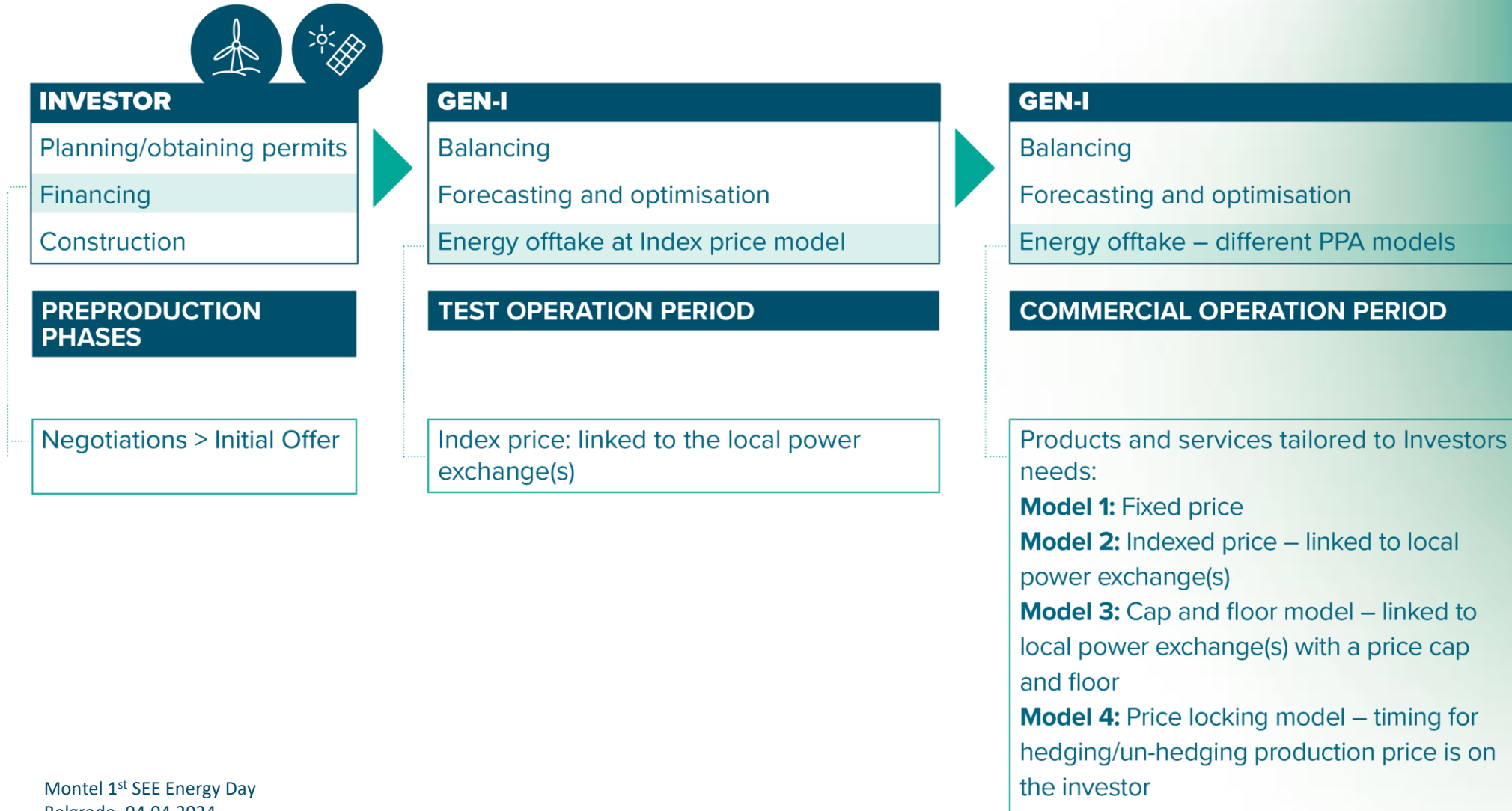
Present on **20+ energy markets**

Centralized strategic governance
over all subsidiaries



I. About the GEN-I Group

Comprehensive PPA solutions



II. About Energy Traders Europe



25 years of promoting competitive, Europe-wide markets

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Brussels, 11 July 2023

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Key results from the AFRY study that have us concerned

CBAM applied to GB electricity imports is counterproductive:



Flows on interconnectors (from GB) will be halved, harming investment in GB and the efficiency of cross-border supply



Renewable production (GB) will decrease with 50 to 200% more curtailments in volume



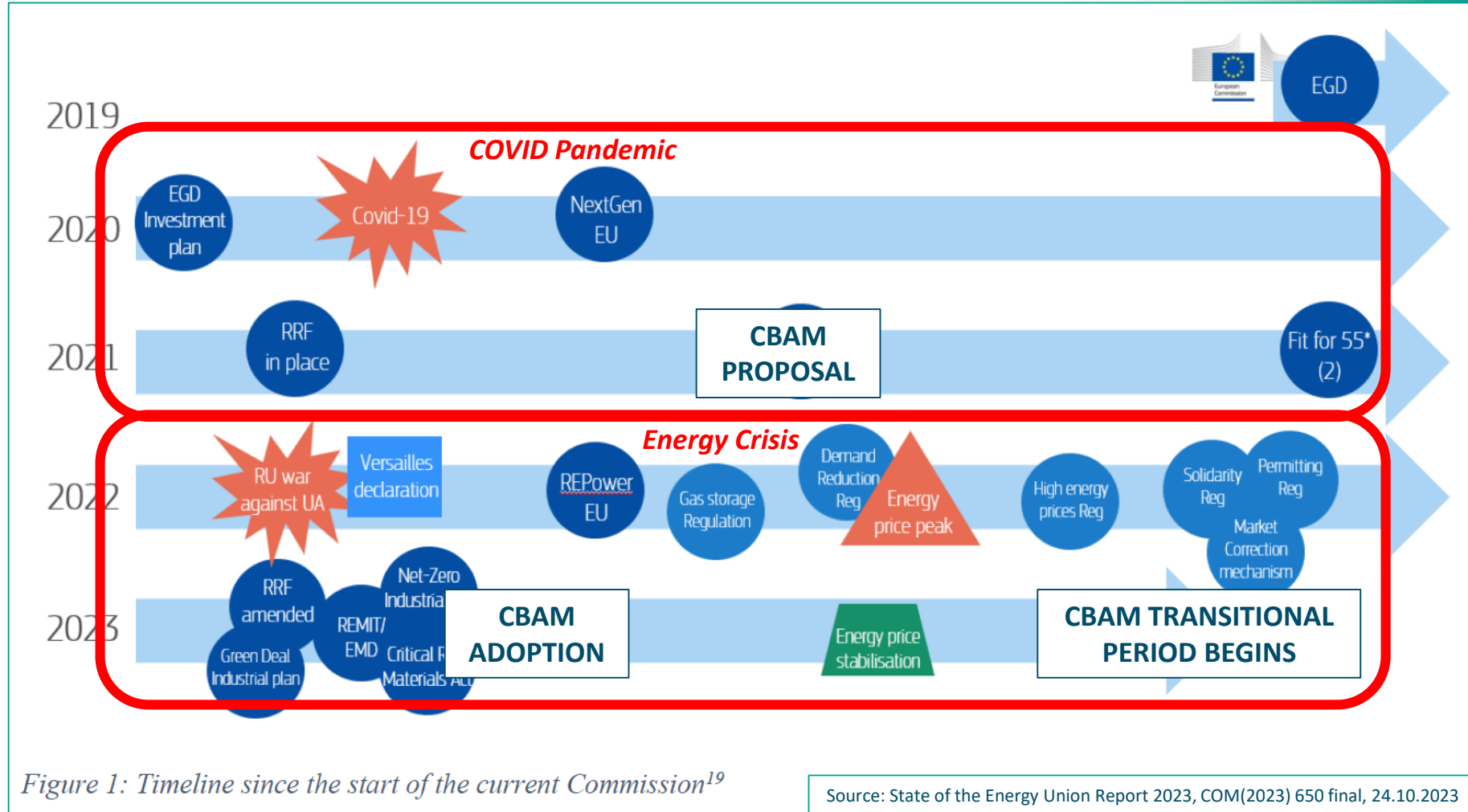
Costs for consumers (EU) will increase by up to 4,6 billion euro/year



Carbon emissions (EU) will increase by between 5 to 12 million tonnes/year, undermining CBAM goals

*Securing an exemption from CBAM would be a **win-win** situation for both EU and GB electricity markets*

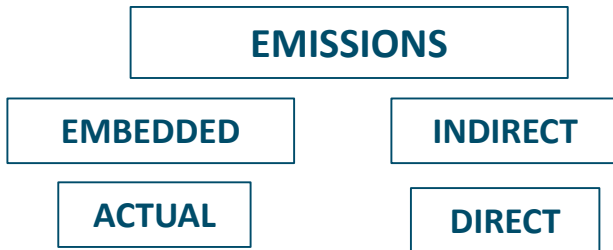
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IV. CBAM Essential Elements



Aim: address carbon leakage in relevant sectors, by charging imported (covered) goods with CBAM certificates (price link with EU ETS) according to their embedded emissions, to ensure level-playing field between EU and non-EU sectors



COVERED SECTORS



KEY POINTS FOR IMPORTERS OF ELECTRICITY TO REMEMBER IN THE CBAM TRANSITIONAL PHASE

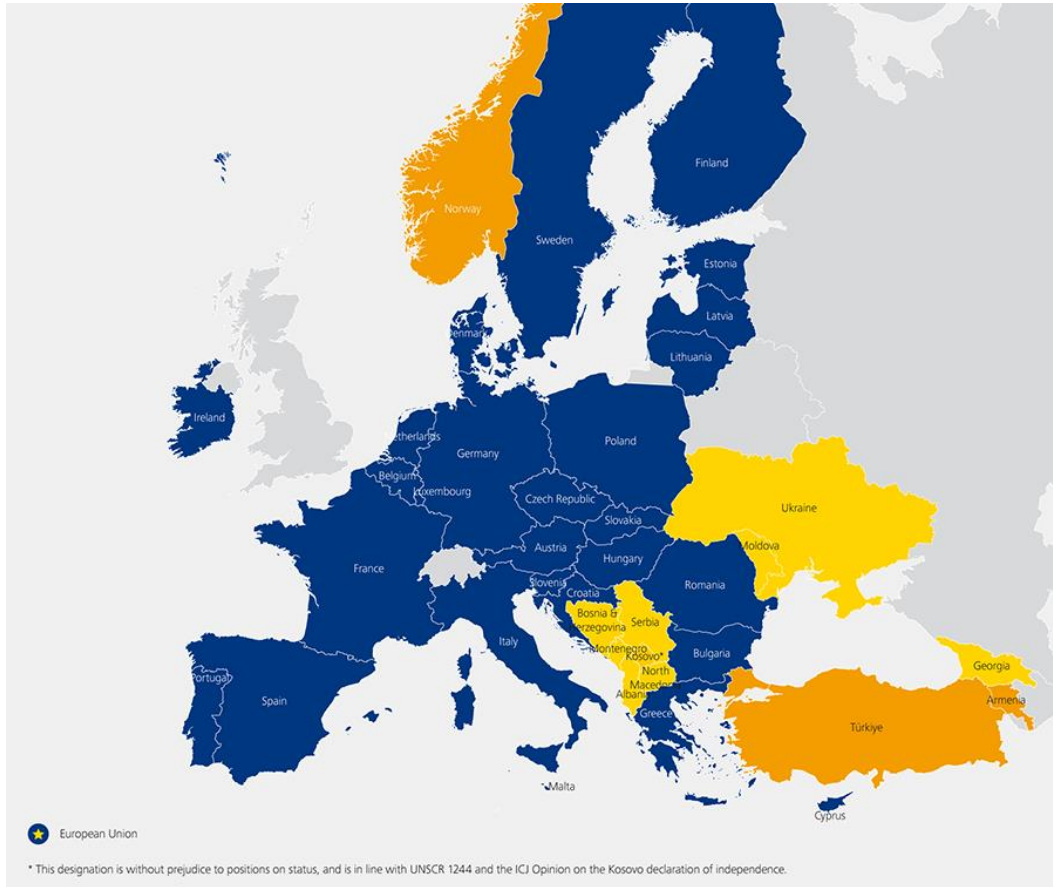
Electricity importers or their customs representatives must declare on a quarterly basis:

For direct emissions, quarterly reports should be based on the actual emissions produced during production of the goods. If the importer does not have all necessary information, default values can be used to some extent throughout the transitional period. For indirect emissions, reporting is generally based on default values, but actual embedded indirect emissions may be reported under certain conditions. Products falling within the scope of the new reporting obligations are detailed in Annex I to the CBAM Regulation.

Any carbon price due or paid in a country of origin for the embedded emissions in the imported electricity, deducting any rebate or other form of compensation already received.

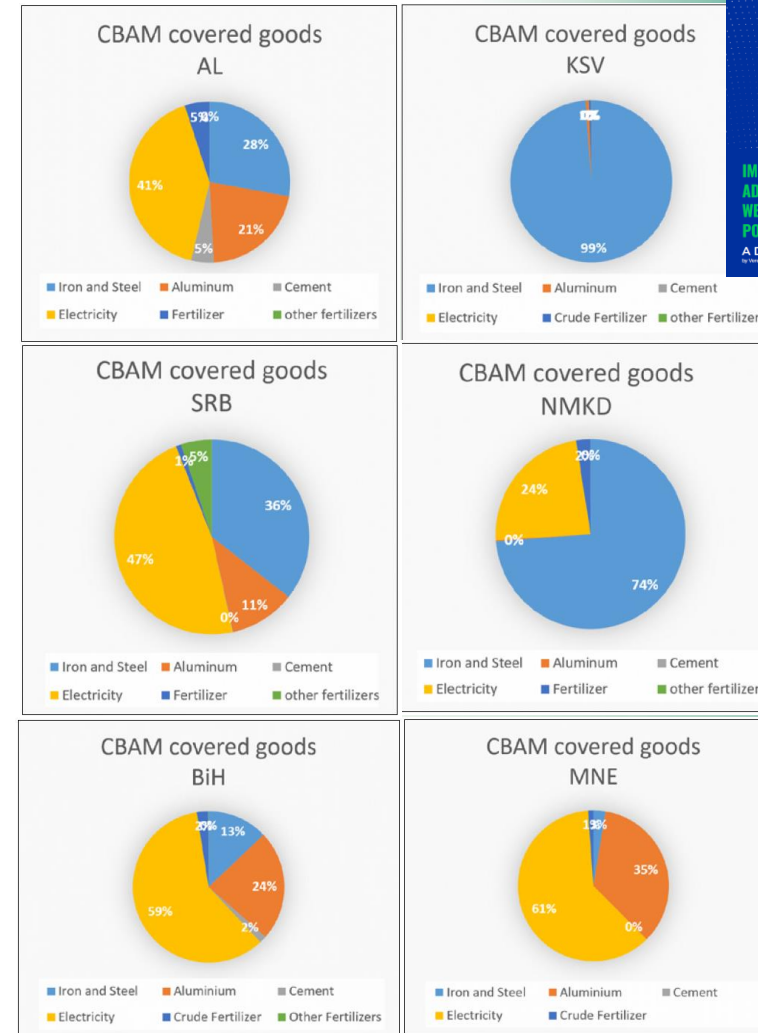
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Relevance for Electricity



Non-EU countries of the CSEE region are an integral part of the broader European energy market, in particularly regarding electricity and in particular the WB-6.

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From all CBAM covered sectors, electricity represents a sizeable share in almost all WB-6 countries.



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Timeline of Implementation



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Potential Exemptions ...

National-level exemption Article 2(7)

- Market Coupling – PX, NEMO, ...
- EU Energy and Climate Acquis Implementation
- Climate Neutrality Commitments
- Carbon Pricing Implementation Roadmap

→ enables exemption from CBAM until 2030 (depending on CBAM compatibility with Market Coupling)

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Utilisation of actual embedded emissions for electricity Annex IV, point 5.

- PPA between CBAM Declarant (EU or customs representative for non-EU) and Producer (non-EU)
- Direct connection to Union *or* no physical congestion at any network point between installation and EU
- Maximum emissions of 550 gCO₂/kWh
- Firm nomination from origin to destination, including transit, at hourly level
- Verification by accredited verifier

→ enables claiming of actual embedded emissions throughout plant lifetime

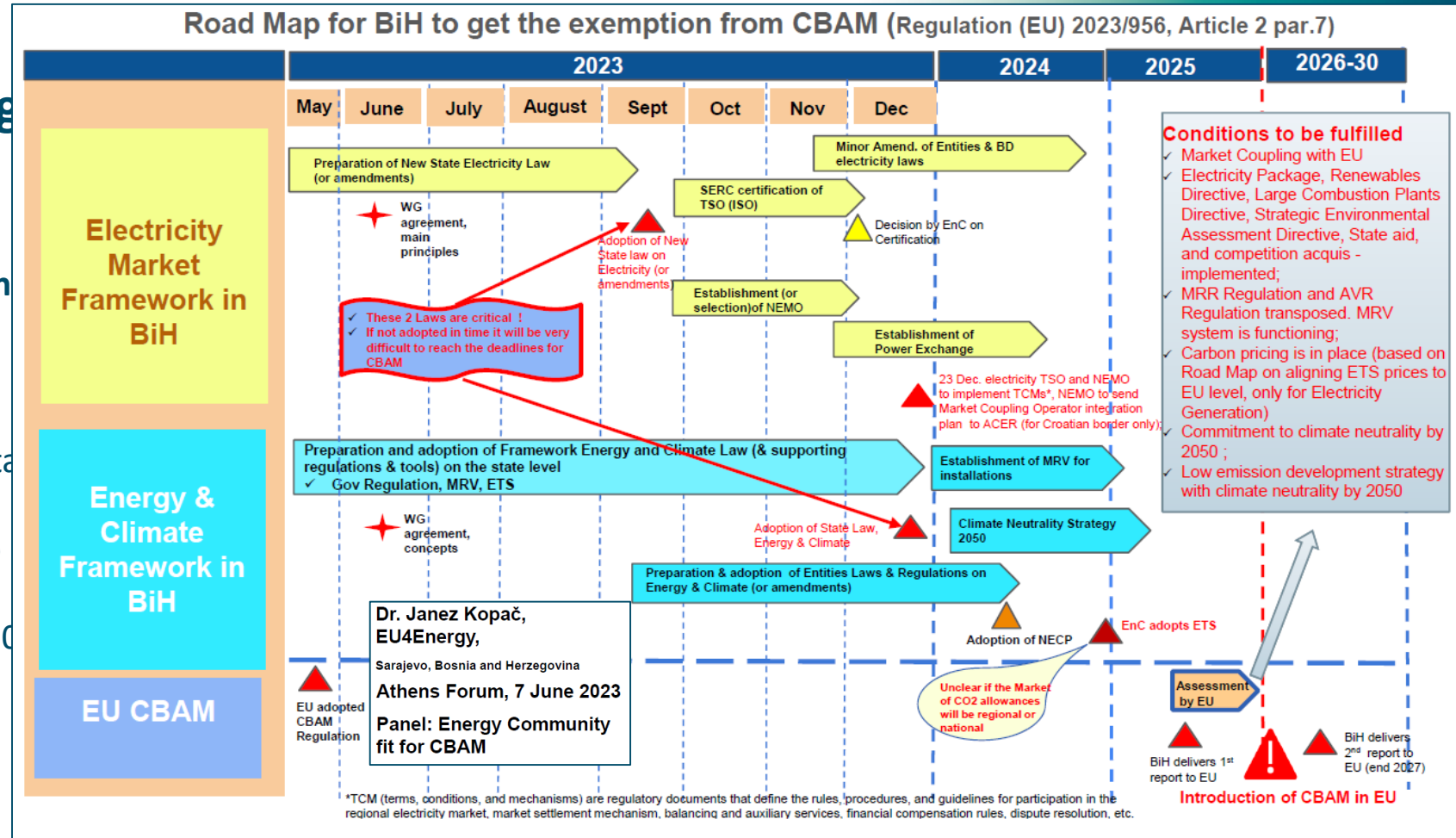
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- Market
- EU Energy
- Climate
- Carbon

→ enable
CBAM co

...yet:

NON-PAPER		Energy Community (2018)		
Harmonisation of licensing regimes in electricity and gas				
Annex IV – requirements for a local establishment (status quo)				
	REQUIREMENT FOR A LOCAL ESTABLISHMENT			
	WHOLESALE ELECTRICITY	RETAIL ELECTRICITY	WHOLESALE GAS	RETAIL GAS
Austria			no	
Albania			yes ^{xxxvi} [*]	
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Yes		yes Republika Srpska ^{xxxvii}	
Bulgaria			no	
Croatia			no	
fYR of Macedonia			yes ^{xxxviii}	
Greece			no ^{xxxix}	
Hungary			no ^{xl}	
Kosovo*			yes ^{xli} [*]	
Moldova		yes ^{xlii}	yes ^{xliii}	
Montenegro	no	yes ^{xliiii}	No gas market	
Poland			no ^{xliiii}	
Romania			no ^{xliiii}	
Serbia			yes ^{xliiii} [*]	
Slovakia			yes ^{xliiii}	
Ukraine	yes ^{xlix}		no	

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National-level exemption
Article 2(7)

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Without either the national-level exemption or fulfilment of all criteria for embedded emissions, every MWh imported into the EU from a given third country is subject to the same country-level default values (which generally reflect domestic fossil fuel generation).

Non-EU renewables will have to pay the same as if they were fossil fuel producers!!!

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Illustrative example based on Q4/2023 and Q1/2024 data:

Country	Emission Factor (tCO ₂ /MWh) <small>SOURCE: default values in CBAM Registry</small>	Average EU ETS Price for Q4-23 (EUR/tCO ₂) <small>SOURCE: monthly average of end-of-week EUA closing prices (EEX)</small>	Hypothetical CBAM cost for imported electricity into EU, if paid for Q4-23 (EUR/MWh)	Monthly average DAM price in January 2024 (EUR/MWh)
Albania	0	76.43	-	ALPEX 90.47
Bosnia and Herzegovina	1.13897		87.05	MEMO 93.00
Kosovo	1.06294		81.24	
North Macedonia	0.92764		70.90	
Montenegro	0.97214		74.30	MEPX 89.05
Serbia	1.04055		79.53	SEEPEX 86.01
Ukraine	0.96184		73.51	
Moldova	0.52073		39.80	
*Turkey	0.70563		53.93	

Application of CBAM will have drastic effects on CSEE electricity markets!

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Key results from the study

- CBAM applied to GB electricity imports
- Flows on interconnector investment in GB and the EU
- Renewable production (more curtailments in volume)
- Costs for consumers (EU euro/year)
- Carbon emissions (EU million tonnes/year, under)

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Identified issues for application of CBAM to electricity imports from GB unduly increase carbon price exposure for GB resource and the cost of imports into the EU

	GB CONTEXT	CHALLENGES	PROBLEM STATEMENT	CBAM cost inflator linked to overstated carbon intensity
Carbon intensity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> GB already has a lower carbon intensity¹ than many Member States, has net zero commitments and ambitions similar to the EU, and is actively pursuing stated decarbonisation goals. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Under CBAM rules, carbon content of imports from GB is likely to be based on a CO₂ emission factor that reflects GB fossil fuel generation carbon intensity. 	<p>#1</p> <p>Use of fossil fuel-based CO₂ emission factor overstates carbon intensity. This unduly increases carbon price exposure for electricity exports from GB.</p>	<p>1</p>
Carbon pricing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Carbon pricing is already in place for GB generation creating eligibility for CBAM rebates (i.e. reduction in the number of CBAM certificates to be surrendered). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> While carbon emitting generation in GB will have paid the domestic carbon price, the nature of trading (i.e. frequently traded anonymously and multiple times) means it is not practicable for a reporting entity to demonstrate this. 	<p>#2a</p> <p>Barriers to demonstration of carbon price paid in country of origin block ability to claim CBAM rebates (i.e. a reduction in CBAM certificates to be surrendered), which increases carbon price exposure of GB electricity exports.²</p>	<p>2a</p>
Trading	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In line with common practice throughout Europe, electricity is frequently traded anonymously, for example via power exchanges, and the same MWh can be traded multiple times. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Even if proof of carbon price paid was practicable, zero carbon generation does not pay carbon price and so cannot demonstrate payment domestically. 	<p>#2b</p> <p>Non-carbon emitting generation in GB will not pay a domestic carbon price and so will be unable to claim a reduction in CBAM certificates. This means zero carbon GB generation faces an undue carbon price.</p>	<p>2b</p>

1. In 2023, more than 50% of electricity generation was from zero carbon sources, 32% from gas and 1% from coal. <https://www.nationalgrideso.com/news/britains-electricity-explained-2023-review>

2. To illustrate that payment made under UK ETS cannot be demonstrated and so is duplicated, the UK carbon cost is replicated in the CBAM certificates column.

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Key results from the study

- CBAM applied to GB electricity imports will **unduly increase carbon price exposure** for GB resource and the cost of imports into the EU
- Flows on interconnectors** investment in GB and the EU will be **reduced**
- Renewable production** will be **curtailed** due to more curtailments in volume
- Costs for consumers** (EU) will be **increased** by 100 million euro/year
- Carbon emissions** (EU) will be **increased** by 10 million tonnes/year, under the net zero goals.

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GB CONTEXT

Carbon intensity

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Trading

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CHALLENGES

- Under CBAM rules, carbon content of imports from GB is likely to be based on a CO₂ emission factor that reflects GB **fossil fuel generation carbon intensity**.
- While **carbon emitting generation** in GB will have paid the domestic carbon price, the nature of trading (i.e. frequently traded anonymously and multiple times) means it is **not practicable for a reporting entity to demonstrate this**.
- Even if proof of carbon price paid was practicable, **zero carbon generation** does not pay carbon price and so **cannot demonstrate** payment domestically.

PROBLEM STATEMENT

#1
Use of fossil fuel-based CO₂ emission factor **overstates carbon intensity**. This **unduly increases carbon price exposure for electricity exports from GB**.

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Barriers to demonstration of carbon price paid in country of origin **block** ability to claim CBAM rebates (i.e. a reduction in CBAM certificates to be surrendered), which **increases carbon price exposure** of GB electricity exports.

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CBAM cost inflator linked to overstated carbon intensity

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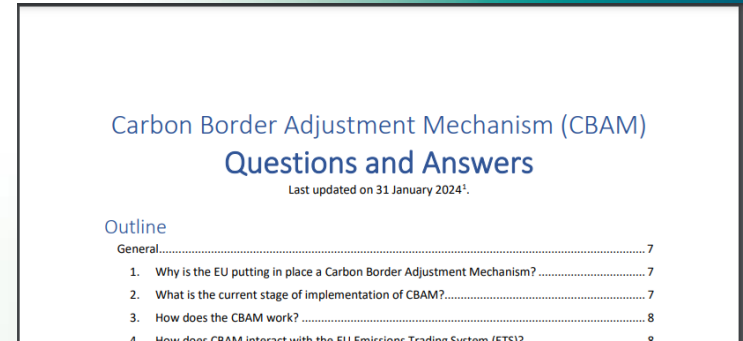
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The highlighted issues are direct consequences of CBAM design, and are therefore equally relevant – and equally problematic – for the WB-6 and other Energy Community Contracting Parties.

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PPAs as the Cornerstone – for Trading and Supply



Issue	CBAM good					
	Cement	Fertilisers	Iron/Steel	Aluminium	Hydrogen	Electricity
Reporting metrics	(per) Tonne of good					(per) MWh
Greenhouse gases covered	Only CO ₂	CO ₂ (plus nitrous oxide for some fertiliser goods)	Only CO ₂	CO ₂ (plus perfluorocarbons (PFCs) for some aluminium goods)	Only CO ₂	Only CO ₂
Emission coverage during transitional period	Direct and indirect					Only direct
Emission coverage during definitive period	Direct and indirect		Only direct, subject to review			Only direct
Determination of direct embedded emissions	Based on actual emissions, but estimations (including default values) can be used for up to 100% of the specific direct embedded emissions for imports until 30 June 2024 (i.e. CBAM reports due until 31 July 2024) and for up to 20% of the total specific embedded emissions for imports until 31 December 2025					Based on default values, unless several cumulative conditions are met
Determination of indirect embedded emissions	Based on actual electricity consumption and default emission factors for electricity. Conditions are met (i.e. direct technical connection or power purchase agreement) Estimations (including default values) can be used for up to 100% of the specific indirect embedded emissions for imports until 30 June 2024					Not applicable



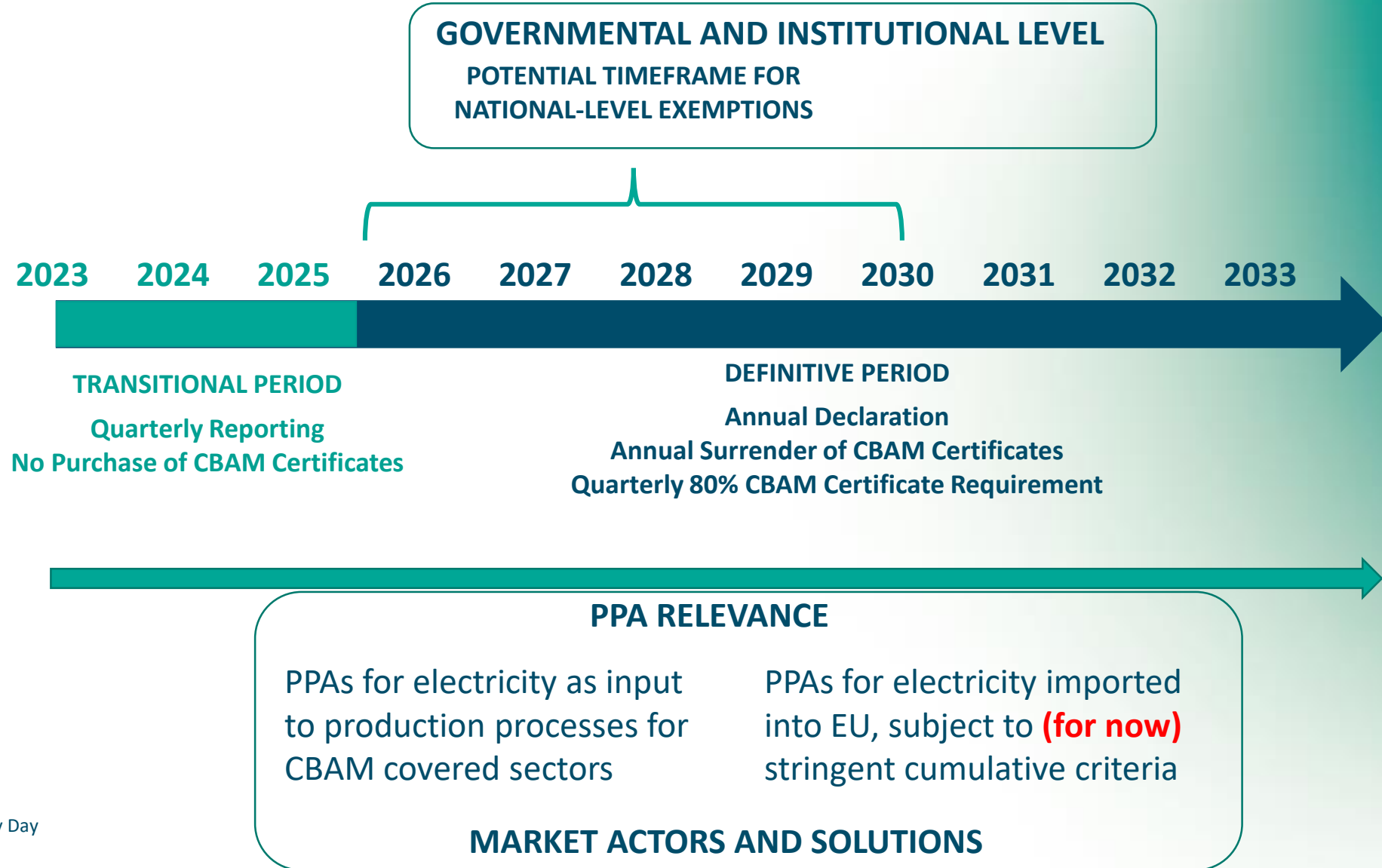
PPA between CBAM Declarant and Producer one of conditions

...yet:

61. Can market-based certificates (Guarantee of Origin, Renewable Energy Certificates, etc.) be used to justify the use of actual emission factors?
- During the transitional period, the general rule for the emission factor for electricity is to use default values which will be provided by the Commission. However, actual emission factors for electricity can be used if the relevant conditions are met (i.e., existence of a direct technical link or a power purchase agreement, as explained above).
 - Market-based specific emission factors, determined for example by Guarantees of Origin or Green Certificates cannot be used to justify the use of actual emission factors.

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Timeline of Implementation – and Adaptation



Thank you for your attention!

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