

## Press Release (Bucharest, December 15, 2015)

## OPCOM is Nominated Electricity Market Operator (NEMO), according to Regulation (EU) 2015/1222, starting with 14.12.2015

OPCOM is announcing the designation by the Romanian Energy Regulatory Authority as Nominated Electricity Market Operator (NEMO) for fulfilling tasks related to the coupling of the day-ahead and intraday markets. The designation was performed through the Decision No. 2515/14.12.2015 of the President of ANRE, according to the Regulation (EU) 2015/1222, for an initial period of four (4) years starting with 14.12.2015.

The Regulation (EU) 2015/1222 establishing a guideline on capacity allocation and congestion management represents an European legal act with major relevance as regards the implementation of the mechanisms of the European single electricity market according to its target model, establishing an European framework for the coupling of the electricity markets on day-ahead and cross border intraday horizons.

The designation of OPCOM as NEMO represents a recognition of the its performance and capacity to fulfil the tasks specific for market coupling in the context of European integration of the energy markets, according to the required level of exigence and the European best practices, also bringing complex responsibilities to which OPCOM committed since the moment of participating in the 4M MC cooperation and that will be continued with same determination in the ongoing European projects, too.

We are using this opportunity to express our complete trust that the market participants will support OPCOM's deployments, as they have always done, and the authorities will perform the same determining role in the in Romania' process of conformation to the European provisions with relevance for the Romanian wholesale energy market.