

Press release

ERSE approves Guide for the Measurement, Reading and Provision of Electricity Data

Following a public consultation process, ERSE - Energy Services Regulatory Authority - has approved the Guide for the Measurement, Reading and Provision of Electricity Data, which has been simplified and adapted to recent technologies, such as smart grids, and to regulatory developments, for example in terms of personal data protection.

The scope of the Guide has been extended to the autonomous regions of the Azores and Madeira, which will now benefit from a specific regulatory framework for measuring, reading and making data available.

The Guide regulates how consumption and injection data is measured, read, processed and made available, specifically for the purposes of network access charges and market participation.

Reliable data determination and its timely availability to the various stakeholders strengthens trust in the sector, guaranteeing fairness and transparency, empowering network users and reducing conflicts and complaints.

The electricity sector has been evolving towards an increasing number of activities and players, with growing demands in terms of the quantity and timeliness of data, such as the electric mobility and self-consumption schemes.

The Guide now reflects the across-the-board affirmation of smart grids in the electricity sector, which are already widespread in mainland Portugal. The entire framework of rules presupposes, for example, remote access to meters and daily collection of quarter-hourly values.

The activities of production, storage, aggregation and the operation of closed distribution networks are also included in the Guide, as well as the issue of personal data protection, which has been systematized and aligned with the rest of the regulatory framework.

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