Active consumer in Slovenia

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The largest electricity distribution company in Slovenia



891 employees

17,520 km of power lines

5,720 transformer stations

356,102 end-users

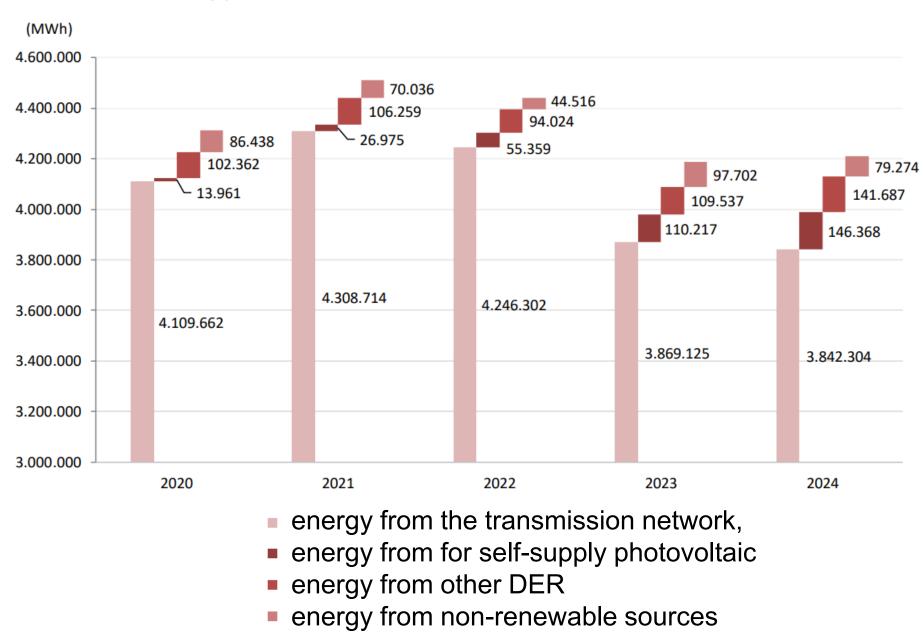
3,910 GWh of distributed electricity in 2024



Consumption of the electricity

In recent years there has been a decline in distributed energy, primarily because of electricity generation on the distribution network (solar power plants).

Source of energy delivered to the distribution network



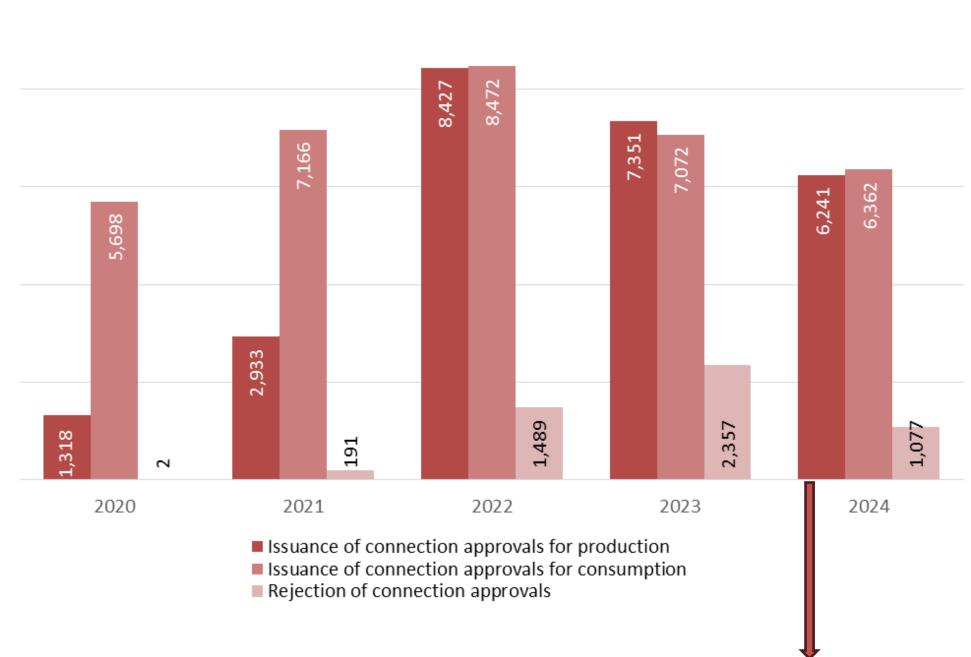
Share of energy from DER delivered to the distribution network





Number of approvals issued

In 2024 we issued 12,603 connection approvals, of which 6,362 were for consumption, 5,856 were for self-supply photovoltaic (PV) power plants and 385 were for generation.



All customers who applied for a PV connection by the end of 2023 were still included in the annual net metering. By the end of 2023, there were more than 6,000 applications for connection. These approvals were issued at the beginning of 2024. The number of rejected connection approvals is increasing.



Regulated in Energy law (ZOEE)

- > Article 4
 - Indent 5: "active customer" means a final customer or a group of final customers who act together and consume or store electricity produced in their own facilities within limited locations, or self-produced electricity or electricity shared with other facilities, or who sell self-produced electricity or participate in flexibility schemes or energy efficiency schemes, provided that these activities are not their main economic or professional activity.
 - Indent 77.a: participates in "electricity sharing".



Active consumer (Article 23 ZOEE)

- Active consumers have the right to operate on the market directly or through aggregation, the right to sell electricity from their own production, including on the basis of power purchase agreements, and the right to participate in flexibility programs and energy efficiency programs.
- Active consumers must be included in the balance scheme, except in the case of exchanges of electricity between active consumers belonging to the same balance scheme member, and in the case of an open contract with a supplier.
- Active clients may delegate the management of devices or the use of data to third parties (e.g. an aggregator).



Active consumer (Article 23 ZOEE)

- Network charges shall be set for active customers that are cost-reflective, transparent and non-discriminatory.
- Active customers may provide multiple services at the same time, if technically feasible.
- Active customers who own energy storage devices shall not be charged network charges or other costs for energy delivered previously stored on their premises.
- When providing flexibility services to electricity operators, network charges or other costs shall not be charged for energy delivered or received stored on the premises of active customers.

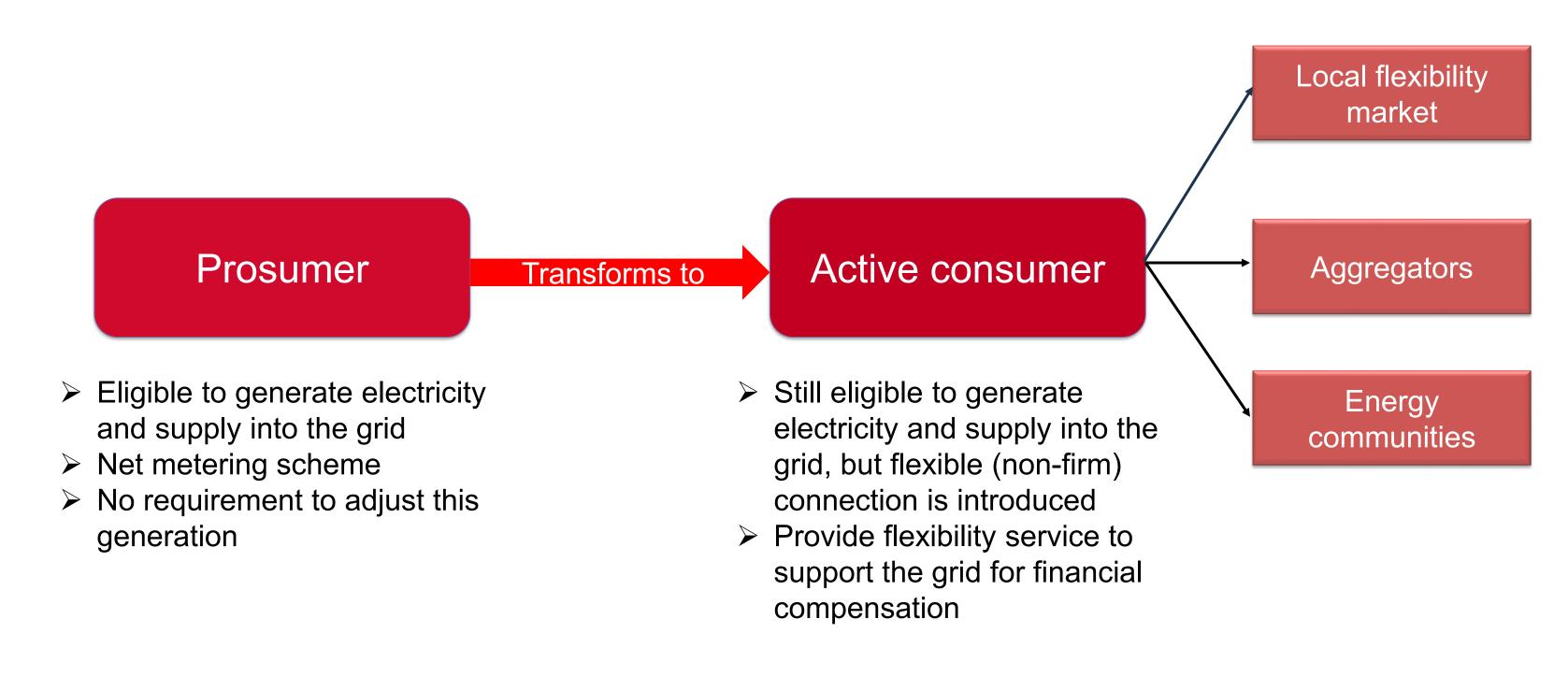


Other articals in ZOEE

- Article 24 ZOEE:
 Energy communities are considered active consumers in relation to self-produced electricity
- Article 28 ZOEE
 At the <u>request of a final customer</u> wishing to become <u>an active customer</u>, or at the request of a third party authorised by the final customer, <u>the distribution operator shall provide free</u> and preferential installation of a smart meter with free or unrestricted physical access to a standardised interface.
- Article 139.a ZOEE
 Connection to a system with flexible operating restrictions (non-firm connections)



Transition from prosumer to active consumer



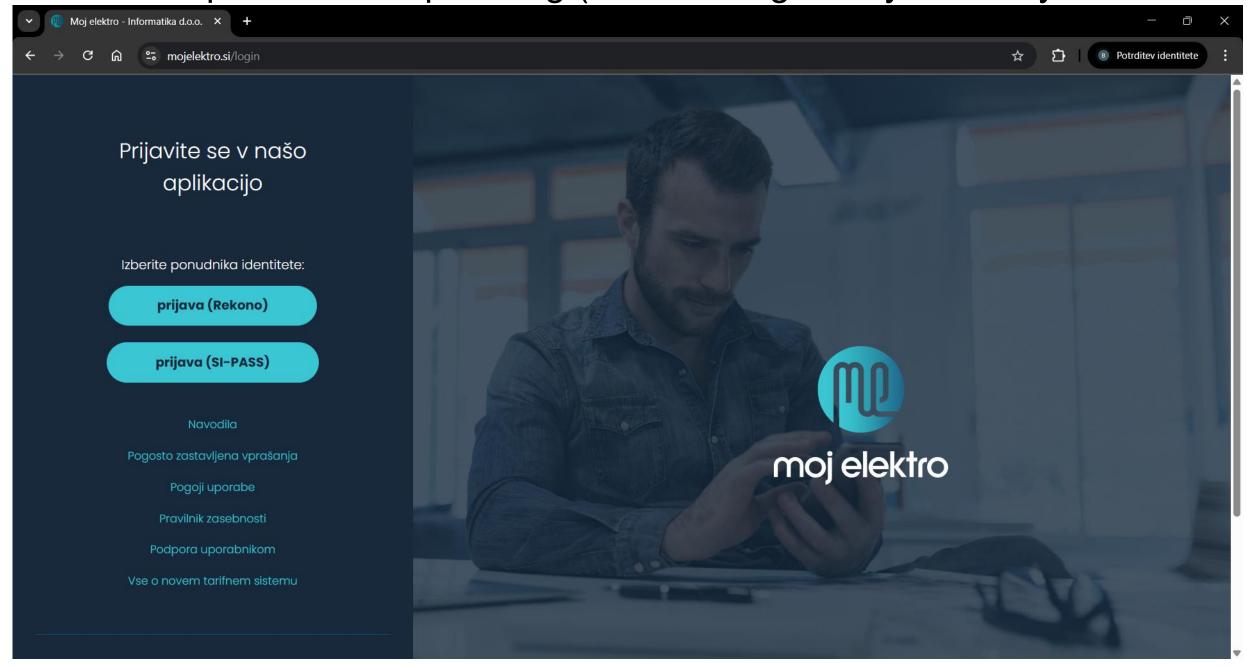


EVT as national data hub

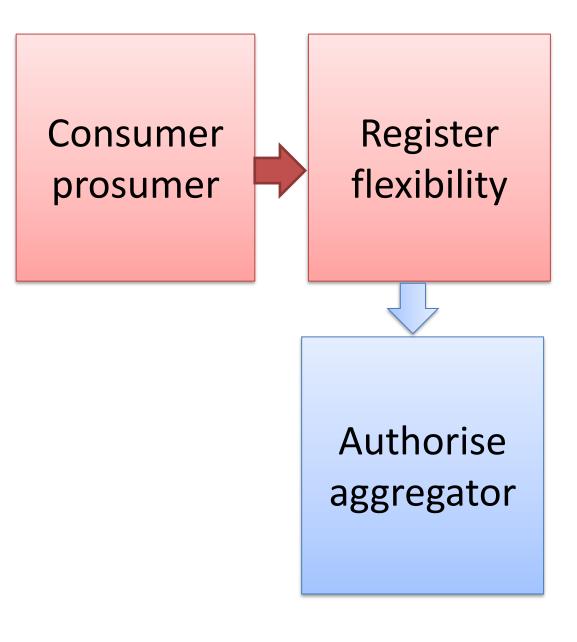
example as a local market with flexibility and digitalization

Introducing flexibility services into operation and planning (National regulatory authority

requirements)

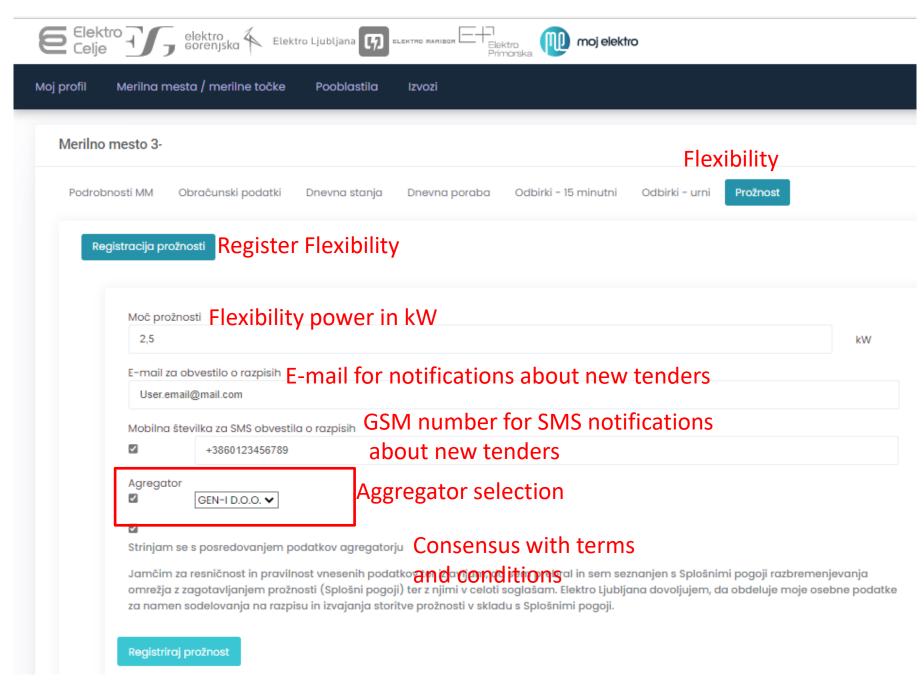


Procedure for applying to DSO's flexibility teder

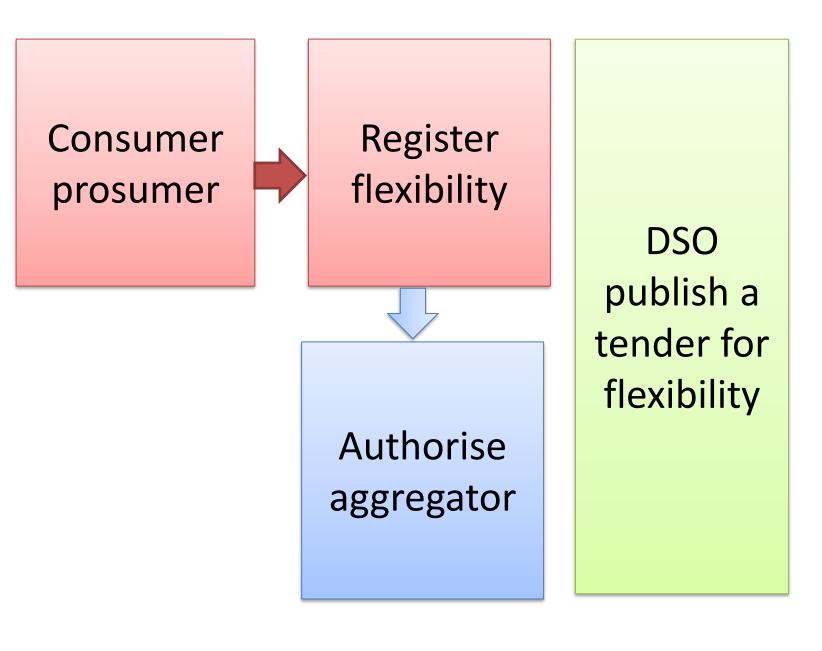


Registering Flexibility of consumers

- consumer inserts power of flexibility and contact details about new tenders
- Consumer can authorize aggregator to apply on DSO's tender, by selecting aggregator

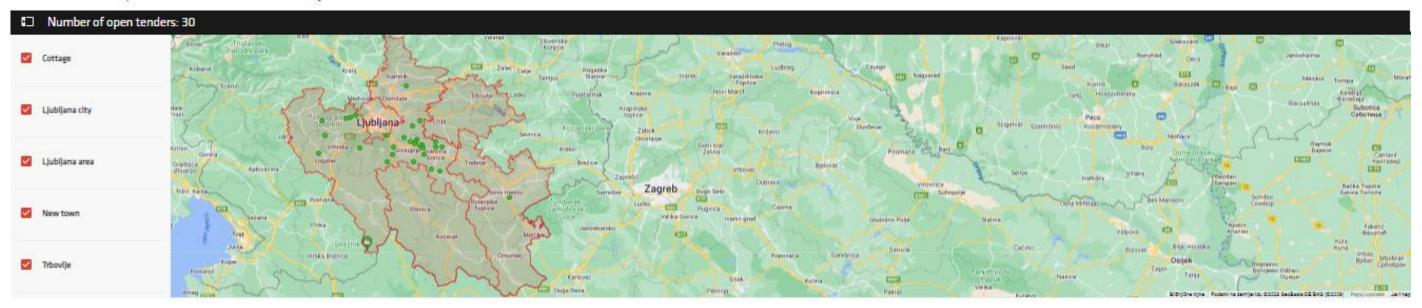


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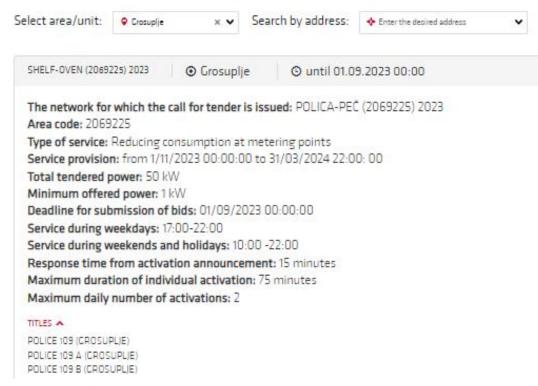


DSO publish tender for flexibility

Interactive map of tenders for flexibility



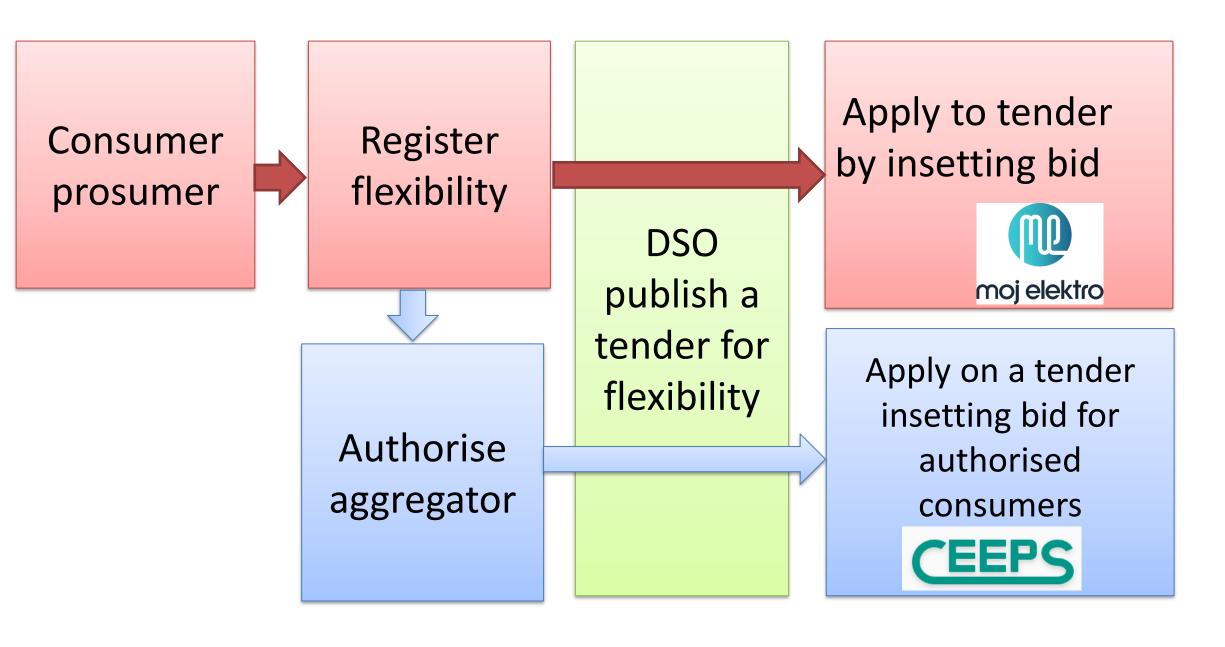
Current tenders for flexibility



DSO publishes tender where overloads of the network could be solved with flexibility, based on historian load analysis of the grid with parameters:

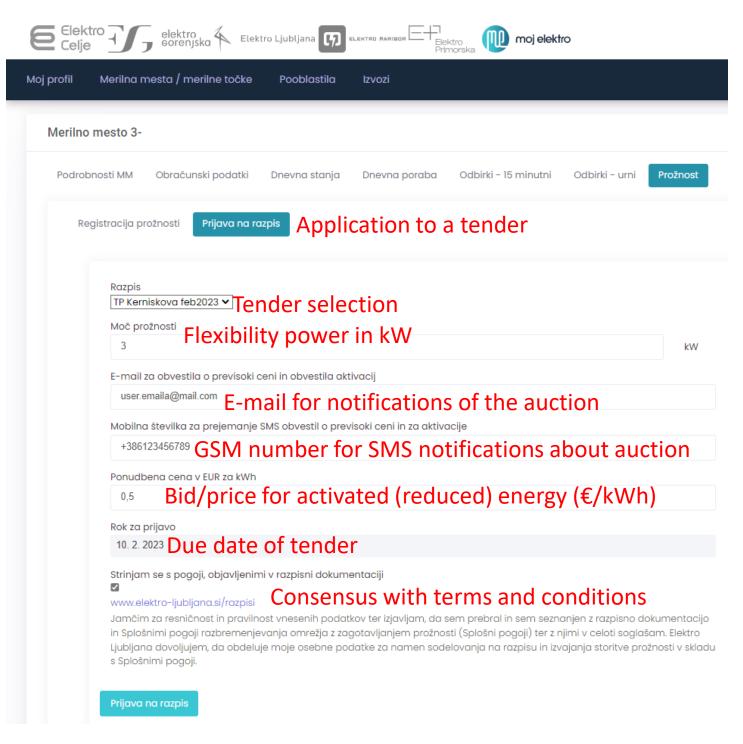
- Area of the grid (MV/LV substation)
- Time period of flexibility need (November March)
- Total flexible power of tender and minimum power of consumer's offer
- DUE date of tender
- Other parameters of activations (daily schedule of activations for weekdays and weekends, reaction-ramp time, max duration of single activation, maximum daily activations)

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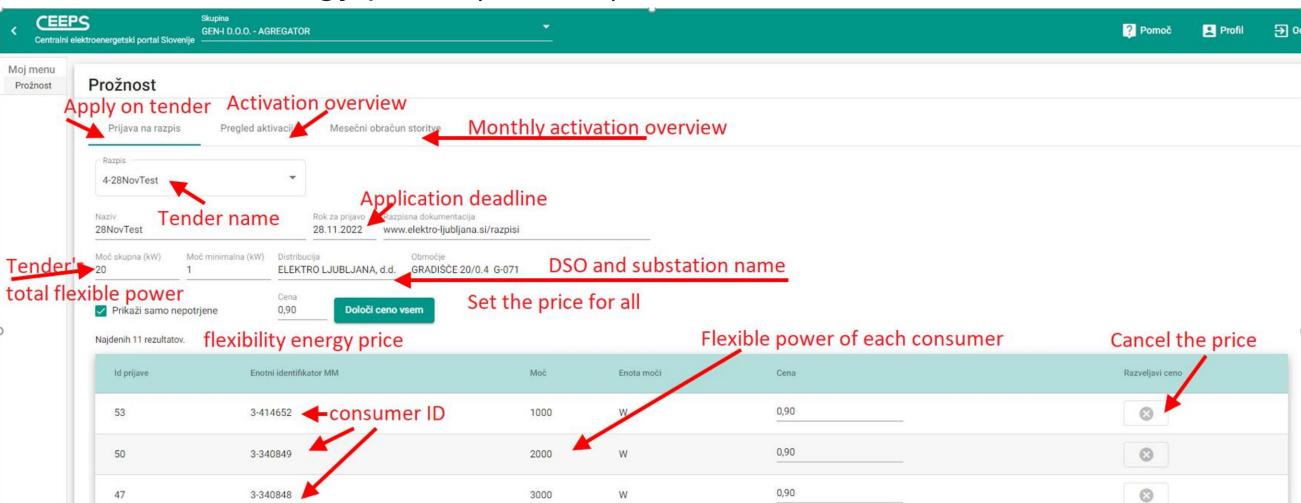
Application to a tender (consumer)

- Consumers which are in tender area and have already registered their flexibility, receive e-mail and (SMS) so that they can insert their bids.
- Consumer inserts bid (price -offer) for its flexibility energy (EUR per kWh)
- I case consumer authorize aggregator, aggregator will insert bid for consumer

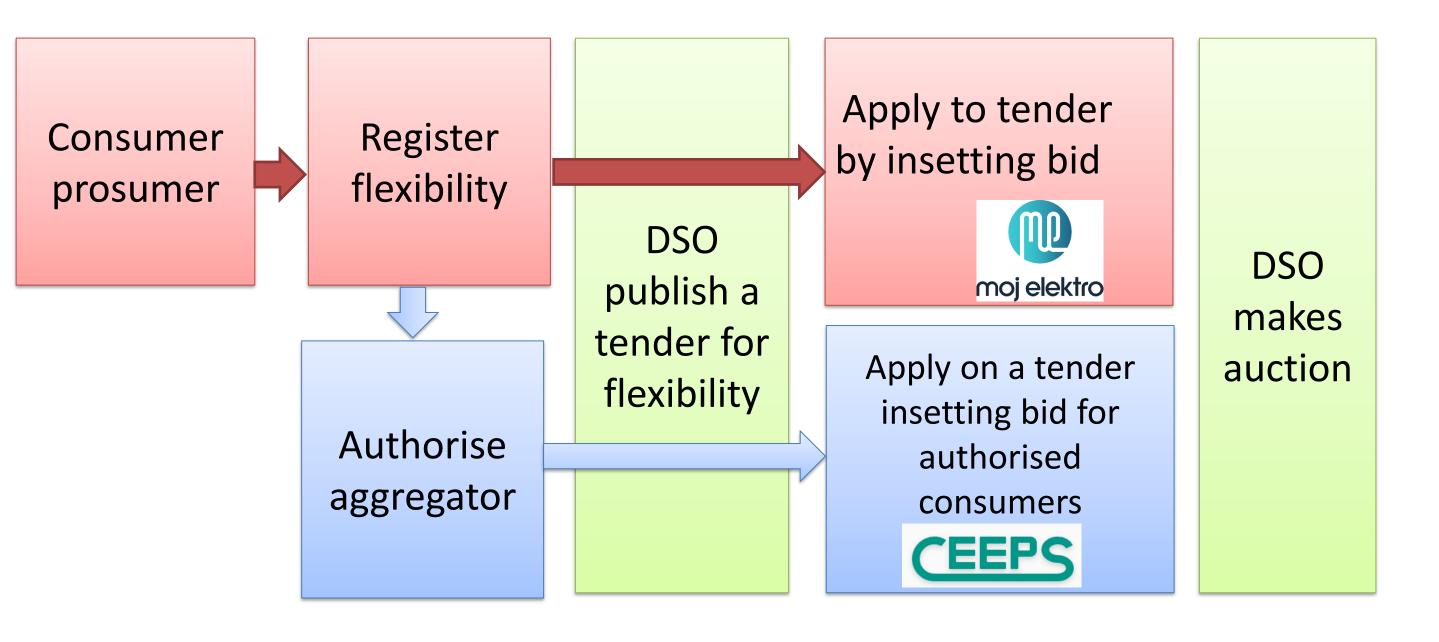


Application of an aggregator

Aggregator inserts bids for the consumers who authorised it in central electro-energy portal (CEEPS)





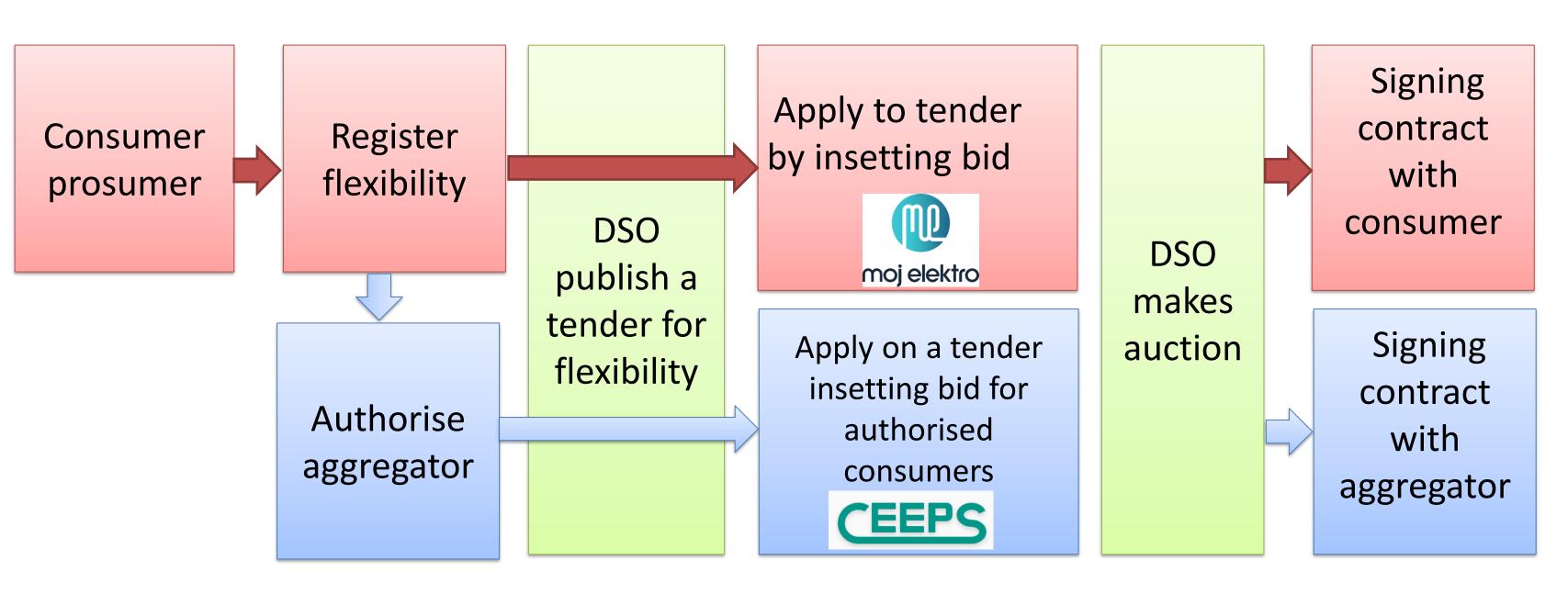


Daily and final auction

- Once a day system makes price comparison and consumers or aggregators with too high price are noticed with e-mail or SMS, so they can lower their price
- After due date final auction is made and all bidders are informed about results



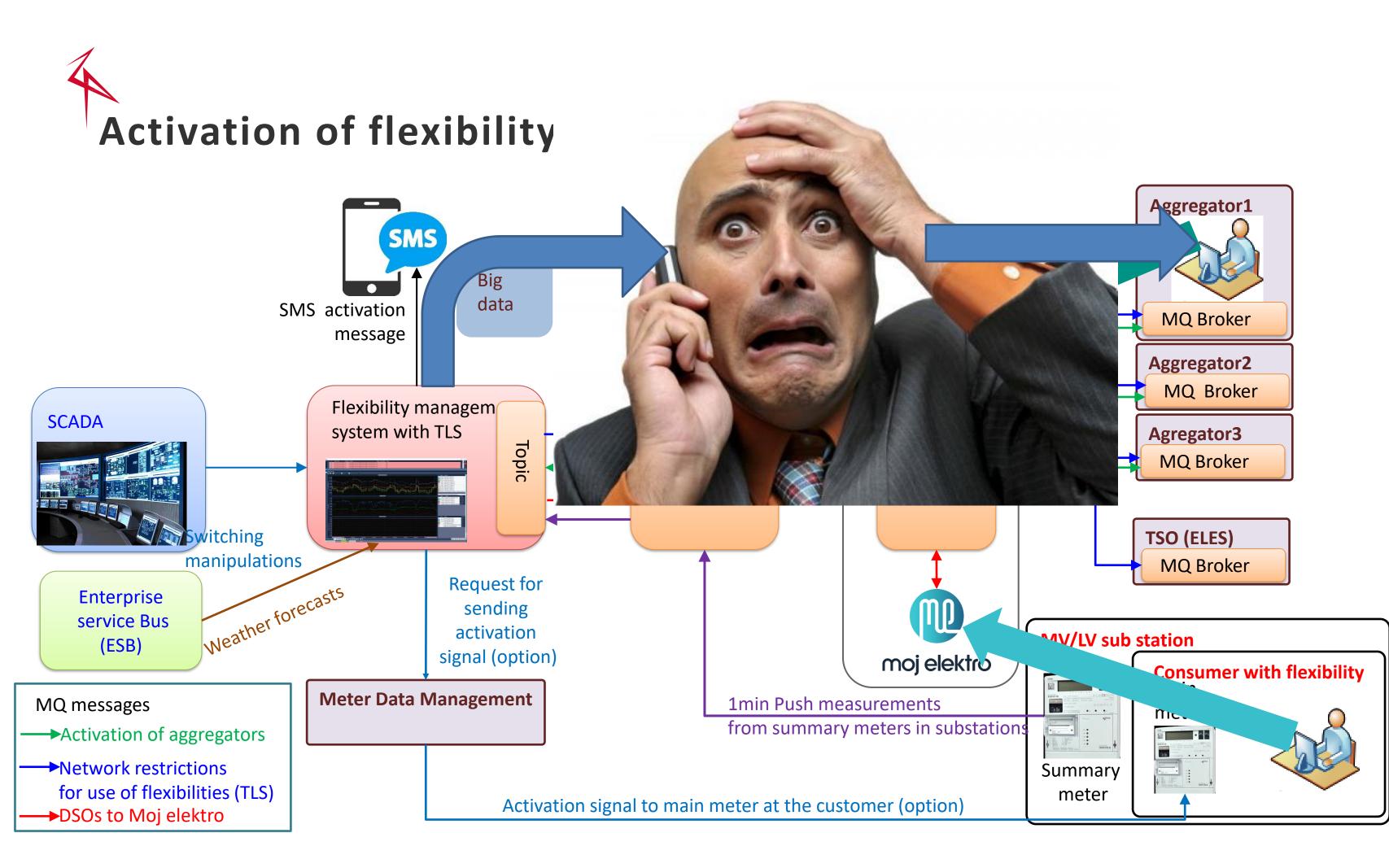
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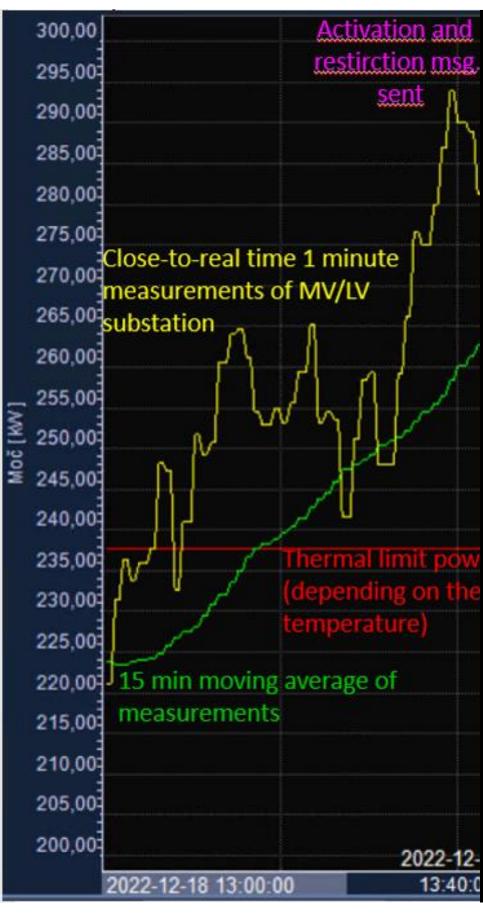
Signing the contract

- DSO sends contracts to consumers or aggregators which were successful on auction. With signing contract consumers or aggregators become flexible service providers (FSP).
- Before start date of contract DSO checks if consumer have smart meter, which enables reading 15 min measurements, and replaces if necessary.
- If consumer wants, that their appliances (heating pumps for example) receive dry contact for activation, DSO enables that activation signal is send by relay output on billing meter.



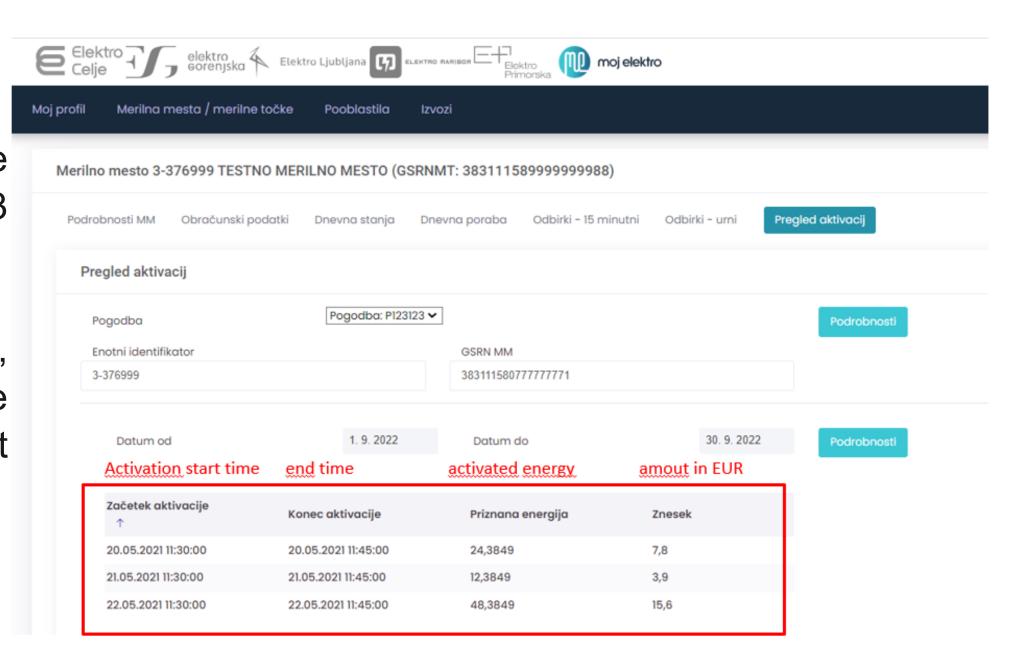


Activation of flexibility because of transformer overload



Activation results for consumer in Moj elektro portal

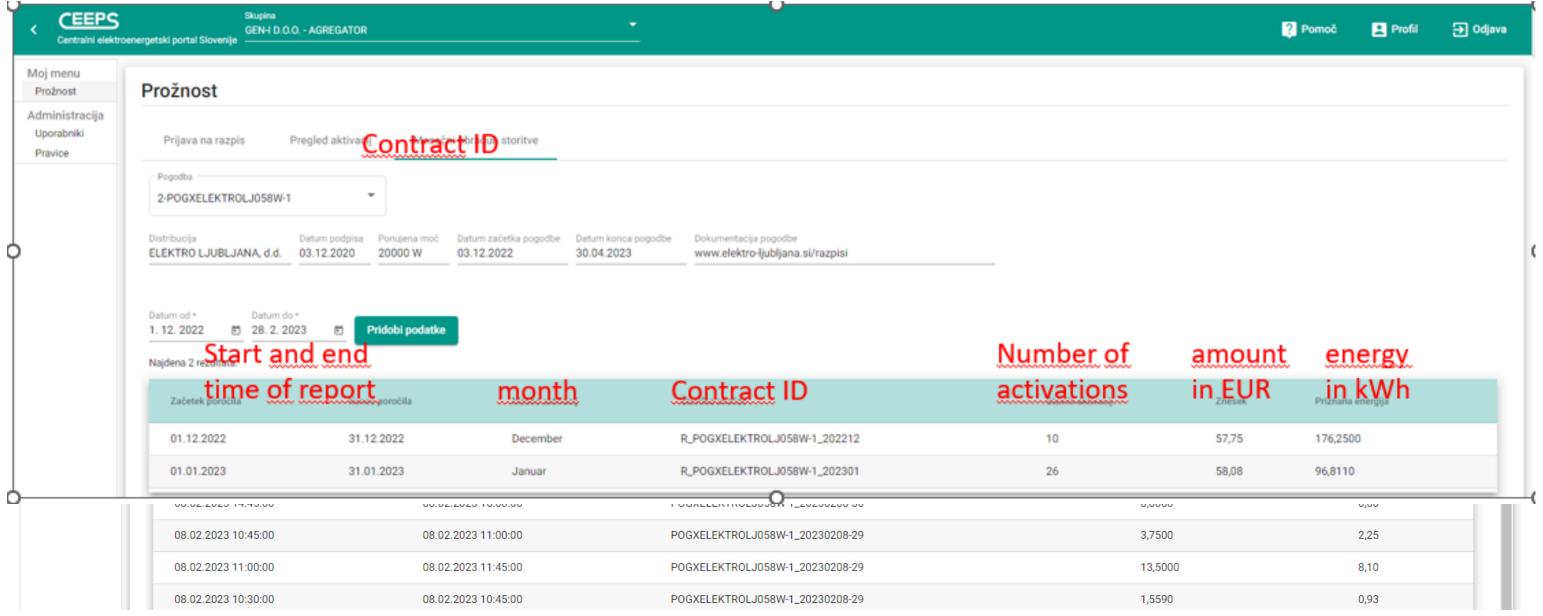
- Households: payment of the reward into a bank account every 3 months
- Legal entities: every 3 months, create an invoice based on the data from Moj elektro and send it to the DSO



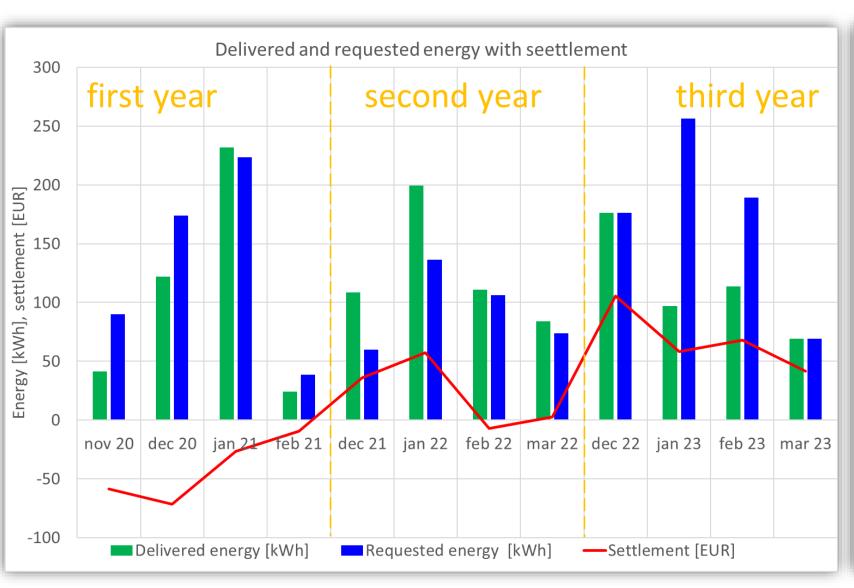
Activation results for aggregators in CEEPS

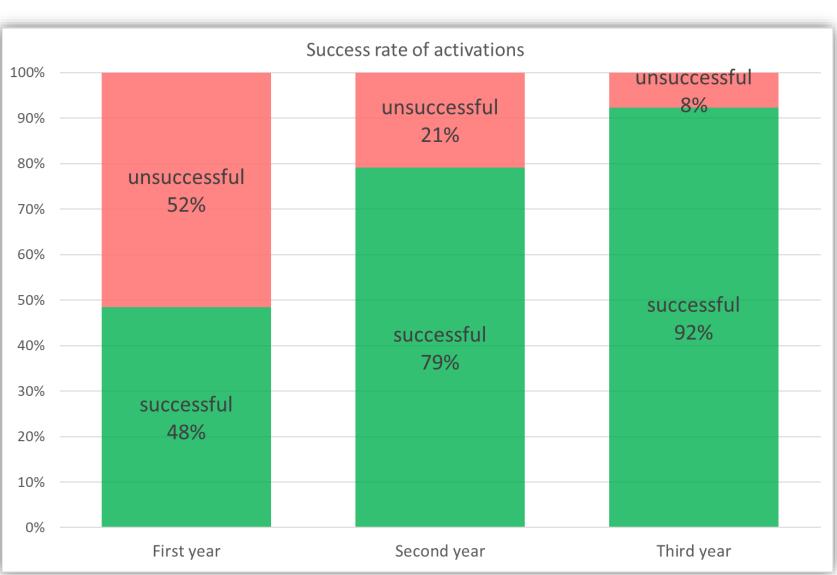
reports for individual activations and monthly report

The Aggregator periodically issue an invoice on the basis of the billing available in CEEPS.



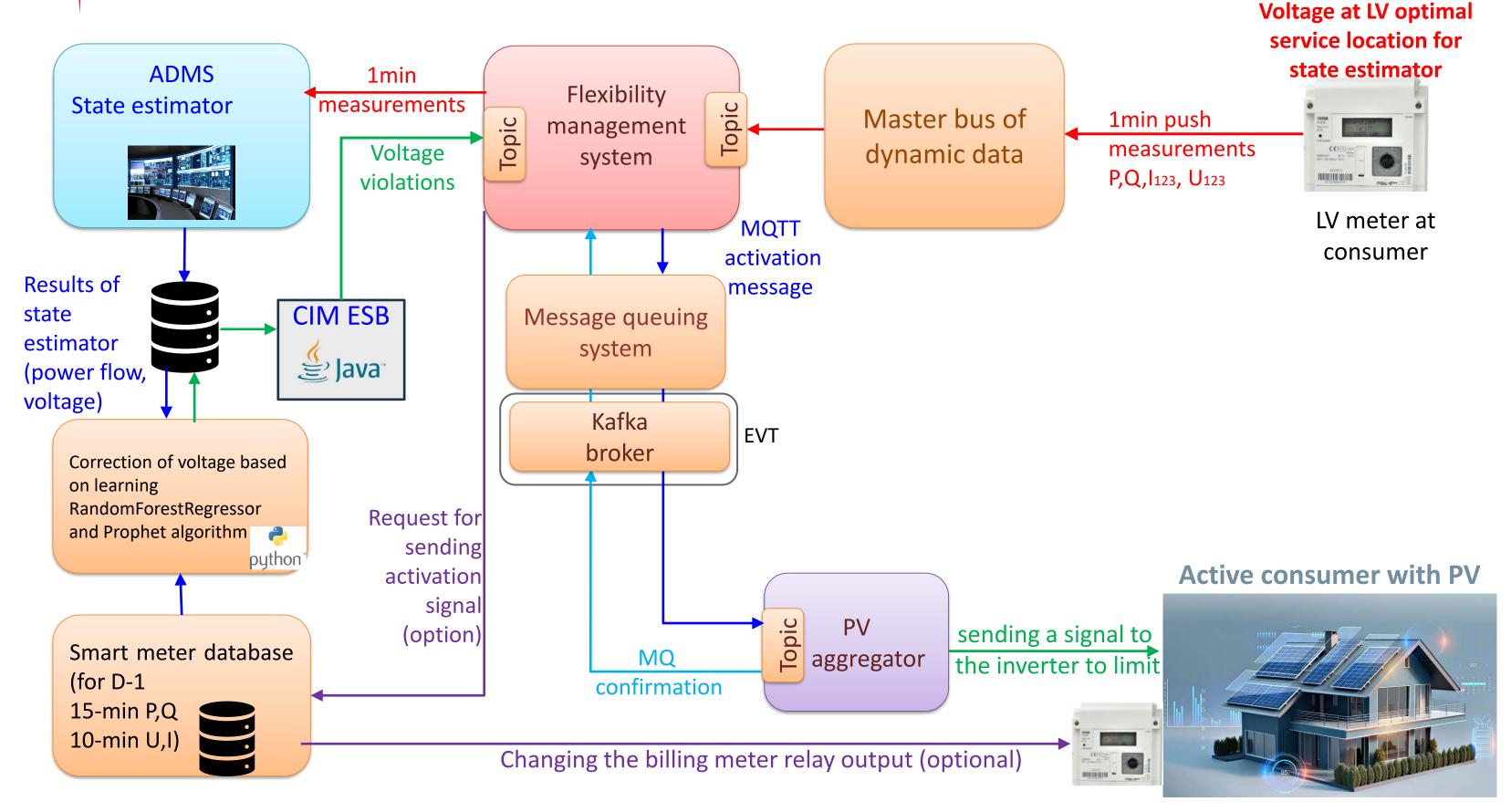
Delivered / requested energy with settlement amount and success rate of activations







Flexibility of generation: flexible connection



Example of reduction



Example of reduction (smart inverter)





Thank you for your attention

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