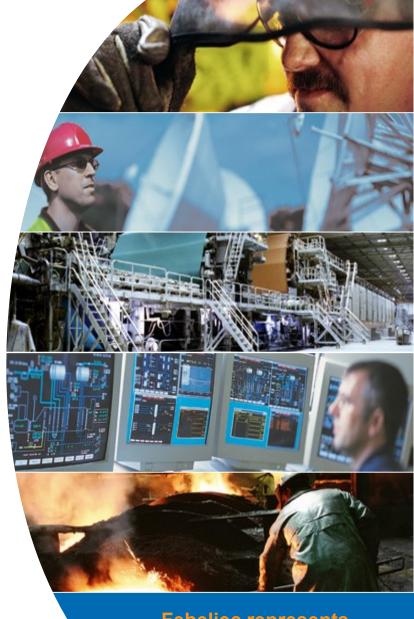


# Press Conference: Electricity Prices Survey Update 2020

22 April 2020 Peter Claes



Febeliec represents the industrial consumers of electricity and natural gas in Belgium



### Coronacrisis

- Worst economic recession / depression since the 1930s
- Belgian GDP 2020/2019: minus 8%
- Graydon analysis: 80% of Belgian companies in trouble if lockdown lasts > 2 months





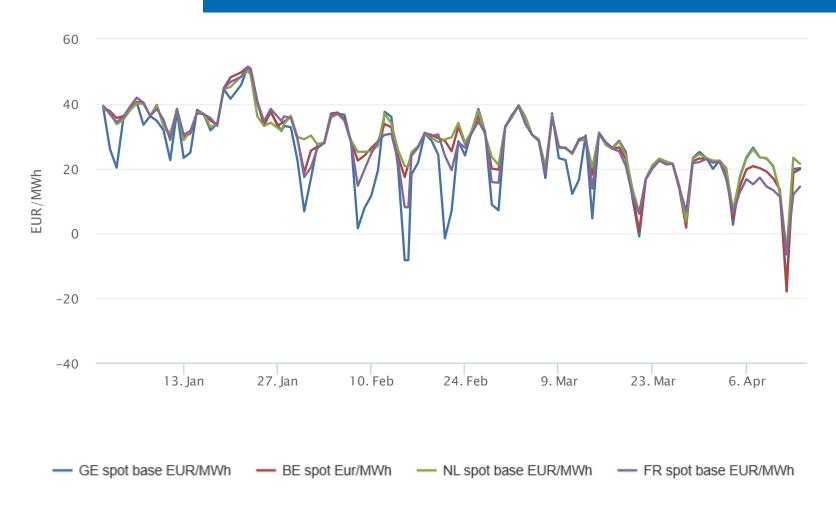
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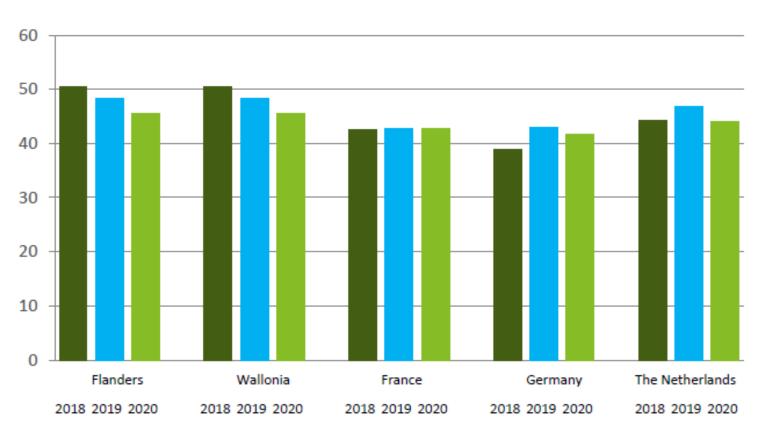
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- Belgian commodity prices (forward + spot) for 2020 closer to DE, FR and NL
- Less concerns about nuclear plant availability caused more price convergence
- French baseload consumers benefit from ARENH tariffs



#### Commodity electricity price



Source: Deloitte



#### What about taxes?

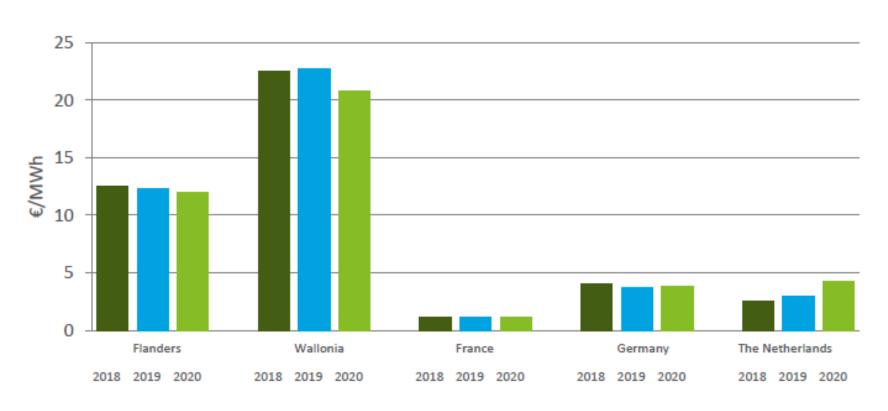
- Tax evolutions in 2020
  - Federal level : Federal levy slightly lower
  - Flanders: little or no change
  - Wallonia: OSP Elia 2<sup>nd</sup> term dropped, awaiting introduction of 3<sup>rd</sup> term ("mobilisation")
- Taxes stay <u>significantly</u> higher in Belgium
- ETS compensation indirect emission in NL/D/FI/FR (Wallonia: partial implementation)

Note: it is assumed that industrial consumers benefit from the exemptions or hardship regimes introduced in the different countries/regions.



### What about taxes?

#### Electricity taxes for baseload profiles (100 GWh)

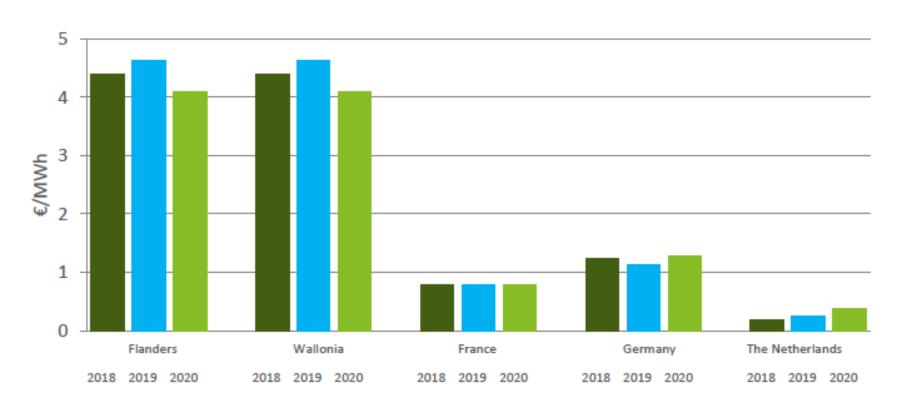


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### What about network costs?

#### Network costs for baseload profiles (1000 GWh)



Source: Deloitte



#### What about network costs?

- Up to 90% reduction in transmission tariffs in NL and D and F for consumers with stable offtake
- Impact of distribution tariffs not in scope



### Conclusions

- Commodity price:
  - Belgian prices converged thanks to higher nuclear availability
  - ARENH tariff favours French baseload consumers
- Taxes remain substantially higher in B
- Grid costs: up to 90% reduction in FR/D/NL for specific profiles
- → Significant cost handicap for Belgian industry



## febeliec Conclusions (2)

- Coronacrisis worst economic crisis since 1930s industrial revival requires competitive energy prices
  - > energy norm
- For Febeliec, it is very unlikely that the CRM will be operational in time
  - decision on life time extension of 3 (if possible) nuclear plants is needed now in order to reassure electricity wholesale markets

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