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How to enhance the legal framework for grid development – the German example

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„Energy Package“ July 2011 (I)

- ▶ Acceleration of grid planning and authorization procedures
 - ▶ reducing length of procedures
 - ▶ more transparency
 - ▶ effective participation
 - ▶ avoiding ineffective bureaucracy



„Energy package“ July 2011 (II)

- ▶ **Reform of grid planning**
 - ▶ Implementation of EU-TNDP
 - ▶ Early public participation as from energy scenario planning onwards
 - ▶ Increase legitimacy by parliament rule on grid extension needs
- ▶ **Reform of authorization procedure**
 - ▶ „One-stop-shop“-procedure for over-regional transmission lines
 - ▶ Federal competence vs. regional competence
 - ▶ Early participation
- ▶ **Further process innovations**
 - ▶ Involvement of project managers
 - ▶ Extension of use of underground cables
 - ▶ Information and dialogue campaign
 - ▶ „Grid platform“ for stakeholders to discuss grid problems
 - ▶ Adapt regulatory framework