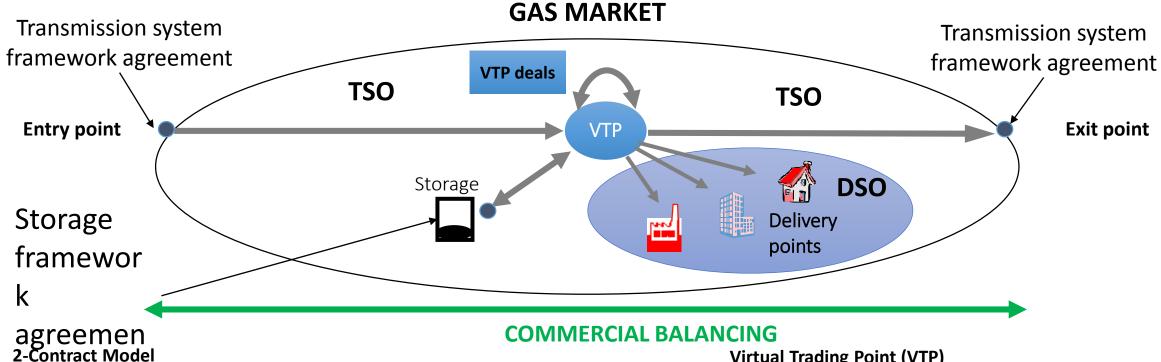
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Market access through 2-Contract Model



- Entry contract covers transport from entry point to VTP
- Exit contract covers transport from VTP to end consumer or other exit points
- Both contracts are independent of the physical grid and actual transport routes
- TSO and DSO are responsible for physical delivery
- Trader needs no physical grid knowledge
- Improved flexibility for customers increases complexity for TSOs

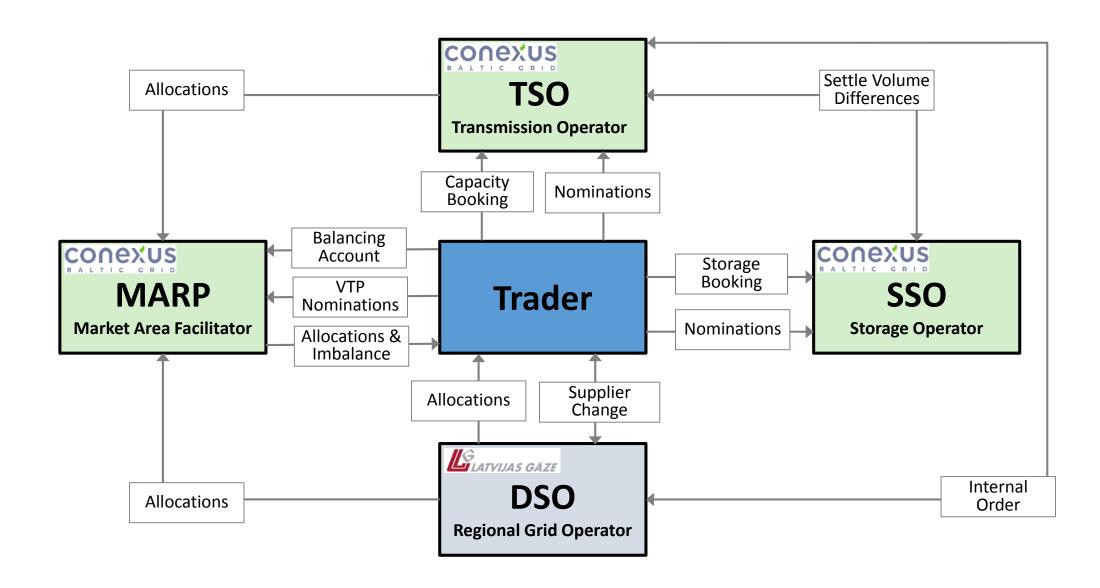
Virtual Trading Point (VTP)

- The VTP is a crucial element for the 2CM
- Clear separation between virtual and physical network
- Acts as a virtual trading hub and marketplace

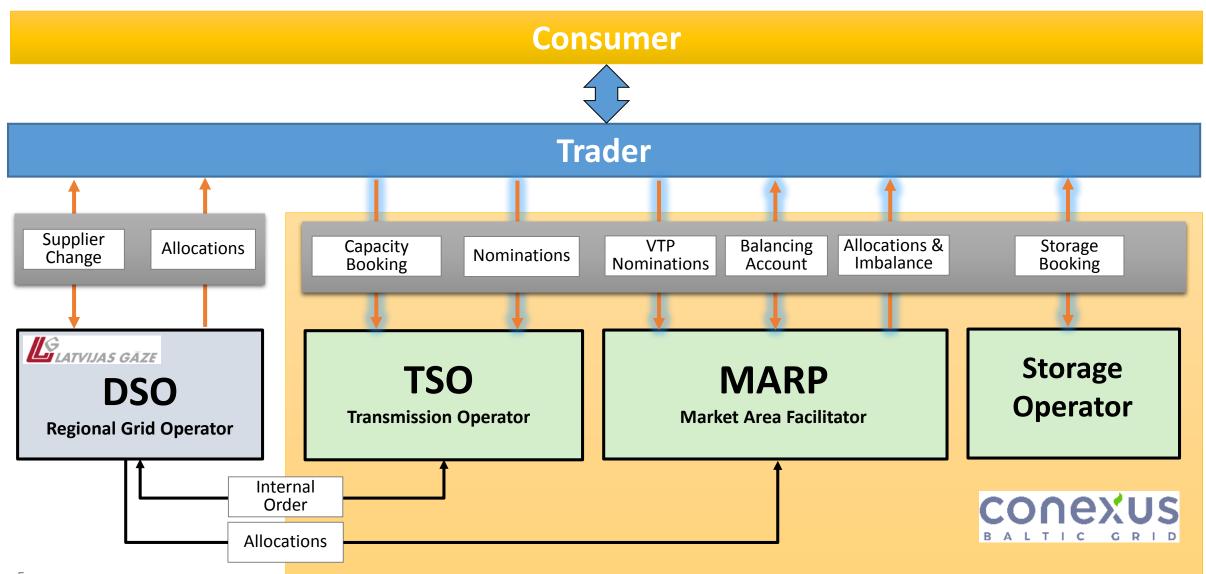
Market Roles in Open Market

TSO	DSO	MARP	Trader
Roles/ Responsibilities			
 Ensure network stability Ensure safe and secure operations Provide TPA Sell transport products Manage VTP 	 Manage low pressure grid Maintain exit point list Facilitate customer change process 	 Provides balancing accounts Facilitates VTP Calculates commercial imbalance 	 Sell gas Offer Sales/ Trading products
Balancing Role			
 Responsible for technical balance of transmission 	 Responsible for technical balance of distribution system 	 Penalizes non-compliant trader 	 Responsible for commercial balancing of portfolio
"Technical/Physical Balancing"		"Commercial Balancing"	

High-Level Relationship Map of Market Roles



High-Level Relationship Map of Market Roles: Routine Activities





Thank you for attention!

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