

## Expectation

Oil



Last week ended with a big downturn on the oil market. With a closing price of 82,63 USD/bbl, the Brent front month contract fell around 2,50 USD/bbl and closed at its lowest point in over a month. The losses were attributed to growing hopes of a ceasefire in Gaza, and although these talks have ended up fruitlessly countless of times over the last 9 months, it is still enough to cause fluctuations on the market. The market opens with modest increases Monday as Joe Biden's decision not to run for re-election is not able to cause disturbance.

Gas



Fluctuations were rather small on the European gas market Friday, where the most traded contracts edged modestly down. The day was heavily influenced by major global IT issues surrounding Microsoft and Windows, which led to low trading activity early in the day across all markets. Monday, we see an initial bearish opening although the movements remain rather small.

Coal



A quiet day also saw the European coal market close largely unchanged compared to Thursday, with the API 2 2025 contract less than 1 USD/t up, closing at 112,51 USD/. There are no signs that the market will experience any drama this week either, as the related markets are quite calm and coal remains largely out of favor in Europe.

Carbon



There was sideways trading on the European carbon market as well Friday, with the benchmark EUA Dec-24 contract closing at 66,30 EUR/t, almost flat from Thursday. The market is – like many others – in a bit of a summer holiday mood, and there should not be anything to end the range-bound trading in Monday's session either.

Hydro



Over the weekend, the Nordic weather forecasts have remained overall wet and windy. Both rain amounts and wind output is expected well above average during the forthcoming ten days, although we will also see brief periods of high pressure weather. The outlook appears largely neutral for the Nordic power market Monday morning.

Germany



German power prices were little changed Friday, as was the case with most of the agenda setting markets, first and foremost gas and carbon. The country's 2025 contract closed at 87,76 EUR/MWh. Liquidity was low on the German power market as well amid the IT issues that affected especially the morning hours. Today, the market initially retreats along with gas.

Equities



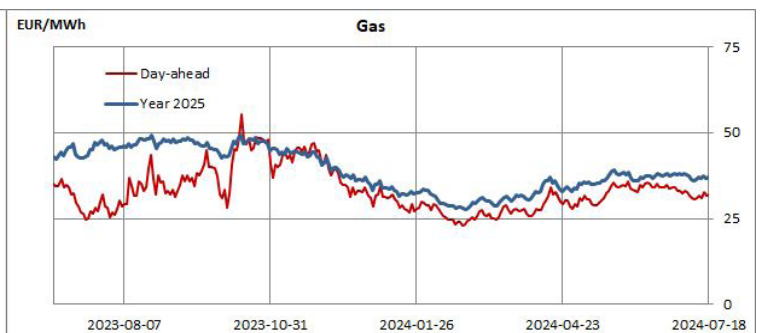
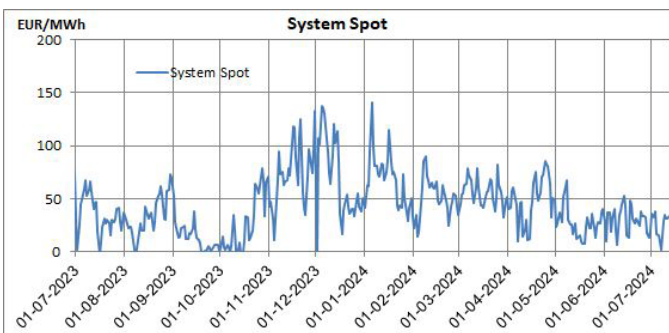
A very bearish week ended with further losses on the European stock markets Friday, and the US markets continues down. Monday morning, focus is of course on the news about Joe Biden's resignation as Democratic nominee for the upcoming US Presidential election, and the first signals show that the markets do not consider it that important as the downtrend from last week continues.

Conclusion



For a fourth straight day, the Nordic power market edged up in Friday's trading. The development, which happened despite the modest fluctuations on the related markets, was likely the result of drier weather forecasts for the coming weeks, although the outlook still suggests periods with high amounts of rain. The Q4-24 and 2025 contracts rose to 46,65 EUR/MWh and 42,75 EUR/MWh respectively, but we do not expect the uptrend to continue today, where falling prices appear most likely.

Spot	DK1	DK2	SE3	SE4	HEL	OSL	SYS	Forwards	DK1	DK2	SE3	SE4	HEL	OSL	SYS	Gas	TTF
17-jul	73,87	73,87	16,86	41,78	9,57	27,87	25,07	August	63,00	66,10	21,75	32,50	33,90	33,40	26,50	Day-ahead	32,14
18-jul	74,77	74,77	14,97	14,97	12,52	27,51	24,78	Q4-23	74,75	72,75	40,10	51,25	52,00	55,90	45,25	Year 2025	37,10
19-jul	84,97	84,97	17,58	42,22	17,58	25,43	27,14	2025	76,73	74,35	37,55	48,75	48,80	52,10	42,35		



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