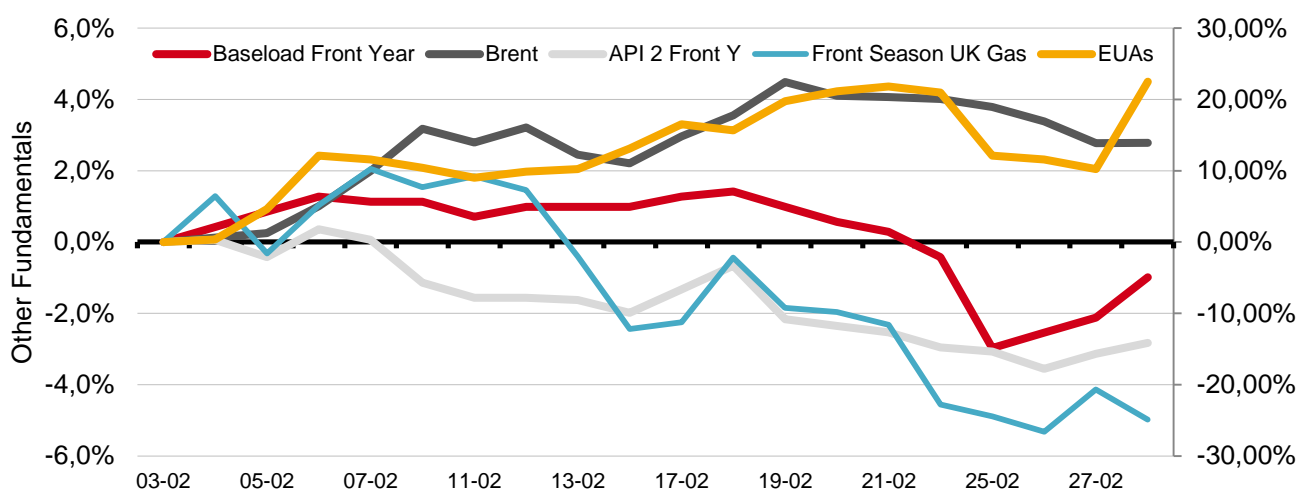
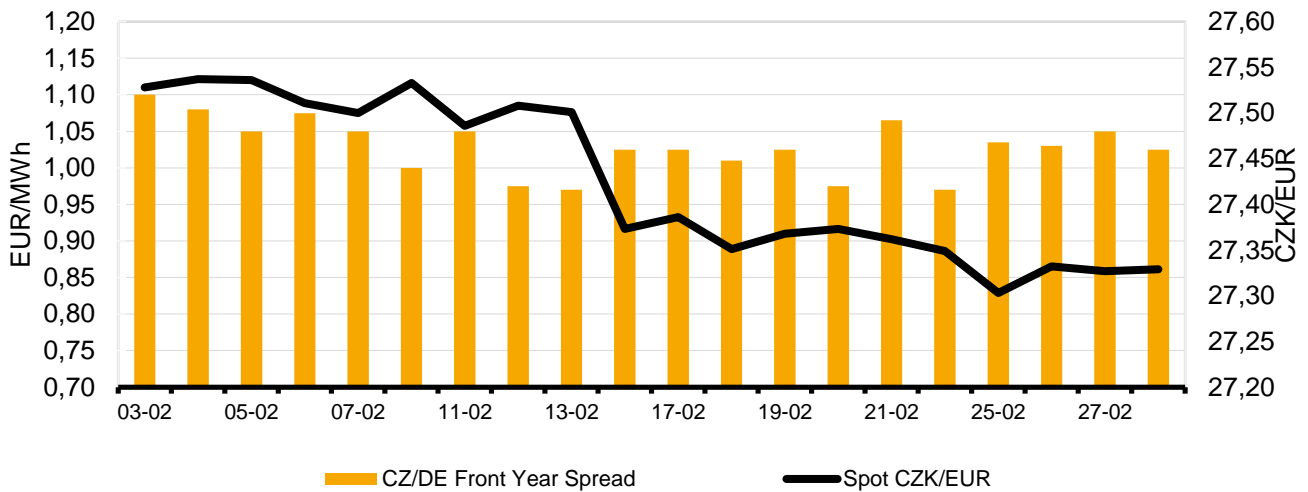


February started out quiet with little price movement. This situation changed gradually towards the end of the month, returning to a downward trend. Behind this bearish trend was the plummeting price of the fuel complex. European Coal futures fell below 80 USD/T for the first time in five years on the back of weak seasonal demand and plentiful supply. Recovery came in the last days of February in line with European carbon prices, after the approval of the final details of an EU plan to withhold EUAs from the markets. Permit auction volumes will be reduced by roughly half from mid-March. Sales will be reduced by 400 million units, or almost 45 %, this year in a bid to lift carbon prices. The Czech baseload Cal 15 hit its lowest point on 25th of February at 34.30 EUR and its highest point on the 18th of the month at 35.85 EUR. The contract closed 35 cents below where it had entered the month. A similar situation was seen in the Slovak equivalent, while the Hungarian contracts had a much more bearish trend, closing 75 cents below where it had entered the month. During February the spread between German/Czech and Czech/Slovak remained relatively stable. The German/Hungarian spread on the front year narrowed, dropping sharply in the middle of the month. The price of the front month contract the same like the previous month decreased rapidly throughout the month due to a mild weather outlook. Weather models showed an early spring weather outlook for March. European spot power prices in the first part of the month were influenced by a warmer weather outlook, more supply and weaker demand across Europe, while the second part of the month were driven by lower wind and solar power generation in Germany. The Czech baseload price for the month in delivery finished 3.63 EUR below the last price in January for the February Future product. The Slovak baseload price for the month in delivery finished 4.08 EUR below the last price in January for the February Future product. The Hungarian baseload price for the month in delivery finished 9.8 EUR below the last price in January for the February Future product. The Czech and Slovak spot markets were fully coupled, while the Hungarian spot market was coupled just 10 days in the month. Overall the Czech Hungarian spot spread came to over 1.8 EUR for the month, around 4.89 EUR lower compared to previous month.

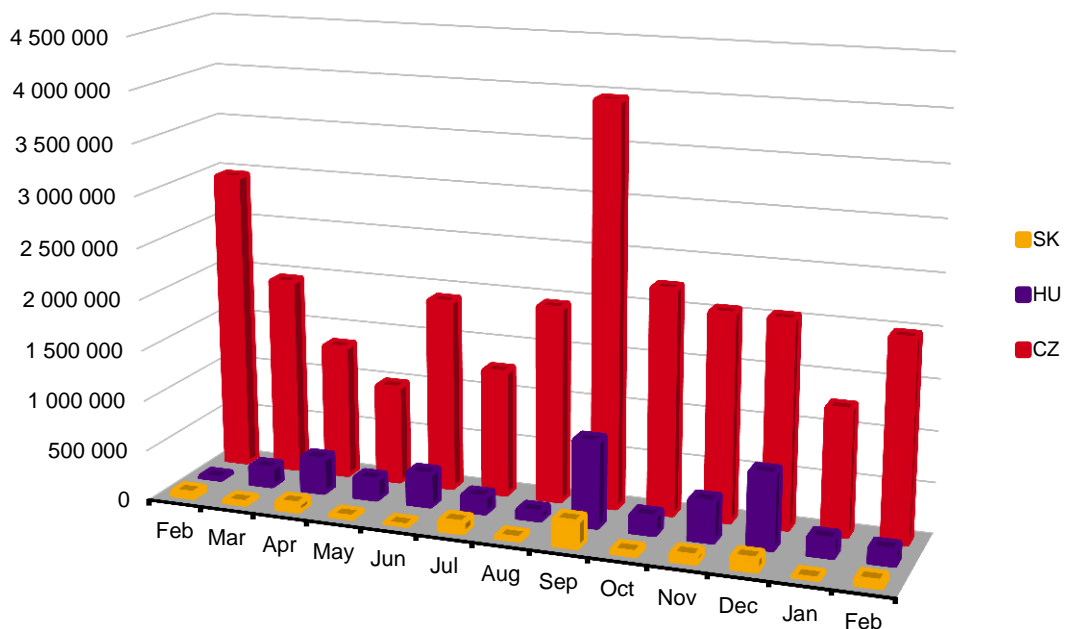


German - Czech CAL 15 baseload spread averaged at 1.03 EUR/MWh up from 1.02 EUR/MWh. The spread on the Hungarian – German CAL 15 baseload averaged at 6.49 EUR/MWh premium down from 7.12 EUR/MWh.



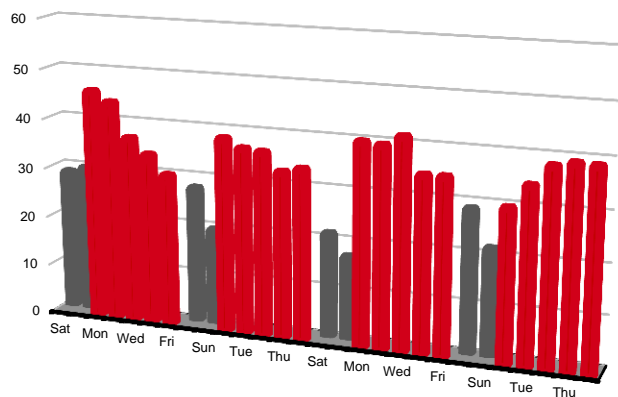
Volumes in February increased 52.95 % month on month. The total volume traded on PXE was 2 180 098 MWh. Slovak power trading amounted for 65 745 MWh (up from 10 080 MWh) out of the total, while Czech power trading stood for 1 963 803 MWh (up from 1 234 289 MWh). On the Hungarian market, 150 550 MWh were traded (down from 181 031 MWh).

Total volume by market - last twelve months (MWh)



The OTE Spot Index averaged at 33.32 EUR (down from 36.03 EUR/MWh) for the base and 39.10 EUR (down from 44.50 EUR) for the peak. The Hungarian spot price averaged at 35.10 EUR (down from 42.72 EUR/MWh) for the base and 41.90 EUR (down from 53.33 EUR) for the peak.

Czech Spot Market Index Baseload (EUR/MWh)



Hungary Spot Market Index Baseload (EUR/MWh)

