



FHP Project – 28th June 2018

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Flexible Heat and Power, Connecting heat and power networks by harnessing the complexity in distributed thermal flexibility



- **Context:** Massive penetration of uncontrollable PV and Wind and progressive electrification of transport (EVs) and heating (P2H, e.g. heat pumps)
- **Challenge:** Avoid RES curtailment due to grid constraints or commercial reasons
- **FHP approach:** Use the P2H distributed thermal flexibility to make most effective use of available RES energy, and to create the conditions to increase the amount of such RES also at distribution system level
- **Scenarios:** Three use cases modeled on the FHP scenario, compared to the “Business as Usual” BAS scenario





Use cases

- ***local RES Curtailment Mitigation*** : Activates local distribution grid connected P2H flexibility to solve local distribution grid problems that may be caused by excess of local distribution grid connected RES (grid related curtailment).
- ***system RES Curtailment Mitigation***: Activates distribution grid connected P2H flexibility to avoid market based curtailment of RES. RES may be located anywhere, but in order to prevent its curtailment, distribution grid connected P2H resources are used in consultation with the local DSO.
- ***balancing Services***: Changes flexible P2H consumption schedules based on intra-ISP imbalance price forecasts coming from the TSO, acting on the imbalance position of the BRP on either surplus or shortfall situations.

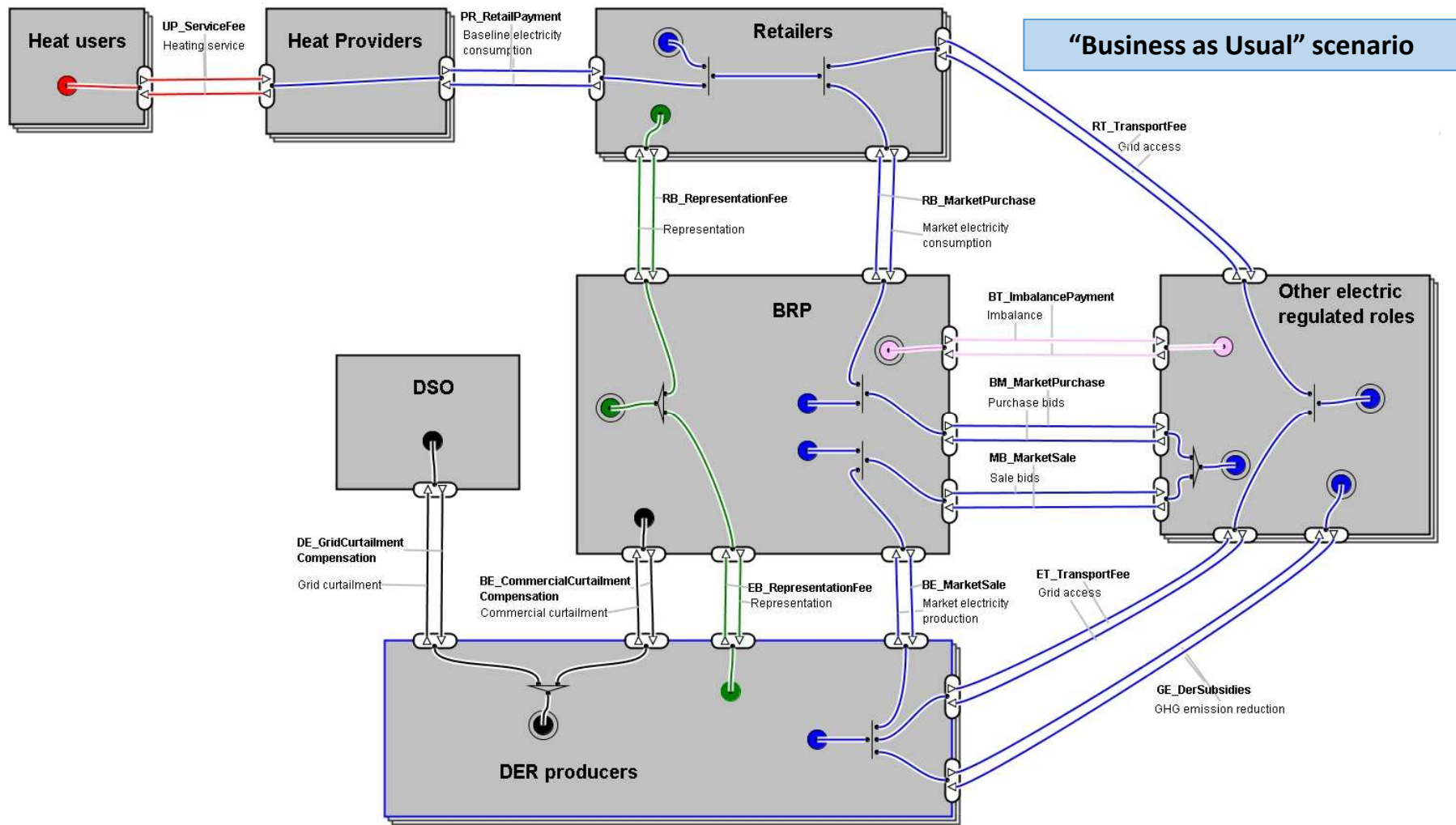


Business use case definition methodology



- Definition of roles
- Definition of value exchanged between roles
- Design of associated monetary exchanges
- Formulation of the spending and the revenues of each role, to calculate its associated cash flow
- Comparison of the cash flow of each role in the BAS and FHP scenarios
- Utilization of the e3 value methodology (<https://www.e3value.com/>)



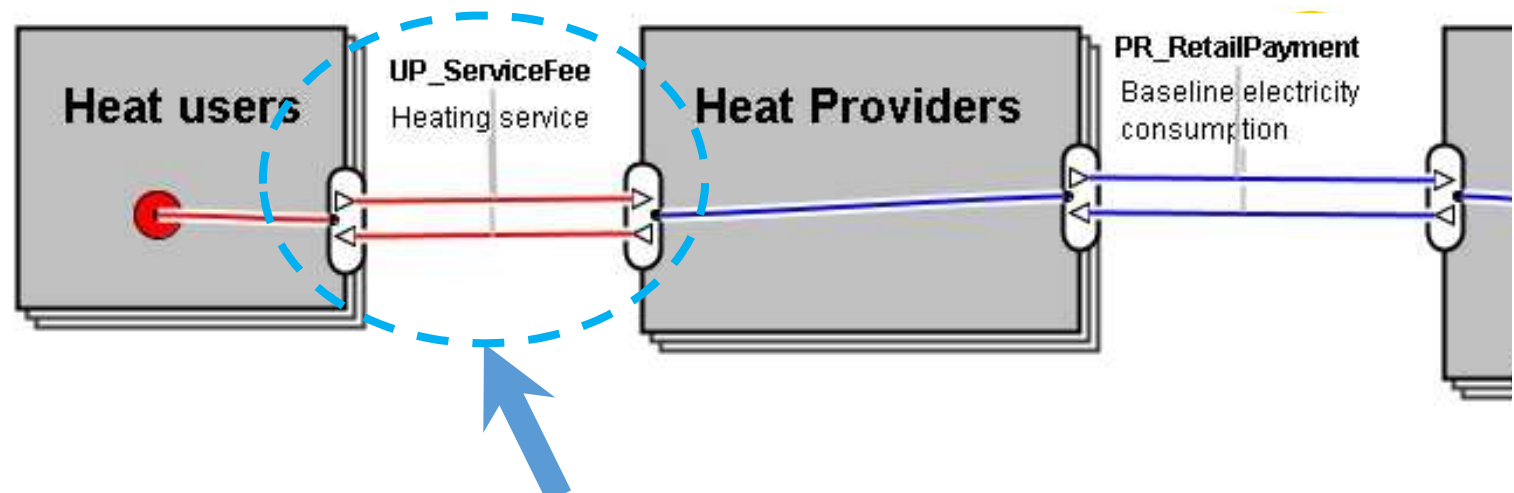


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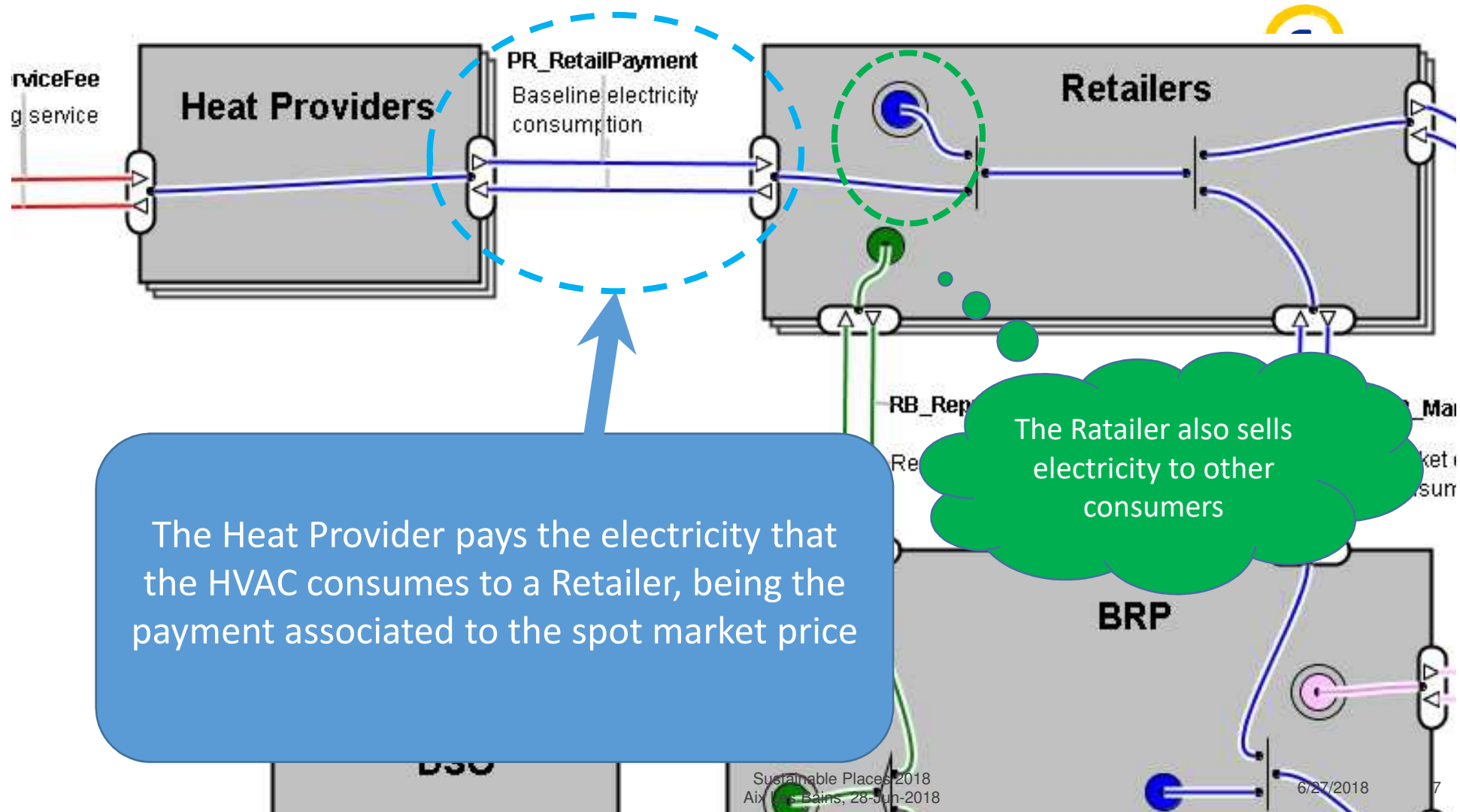
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The Heat User contracts a Heat Provider, which operates the HVAC (primary energy source of HVAC is based on heat pumps) to provide a heating service.

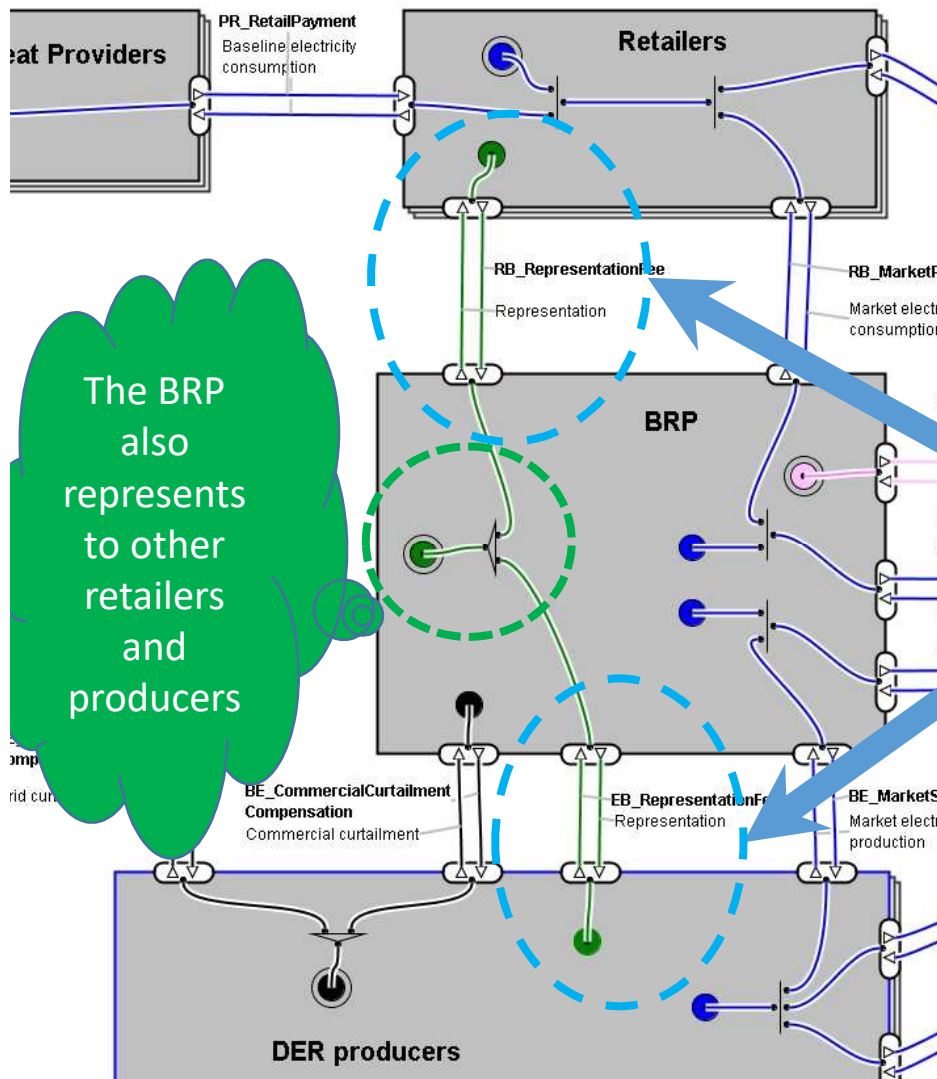
- ✓ Agreement on acceptable comfort range (indoor temperature). BAS operation is based on a fix temperature setpoint
- ✓ Possibility of override by the Heat User.
- ✓ Fee based on surface, type, comfort range...





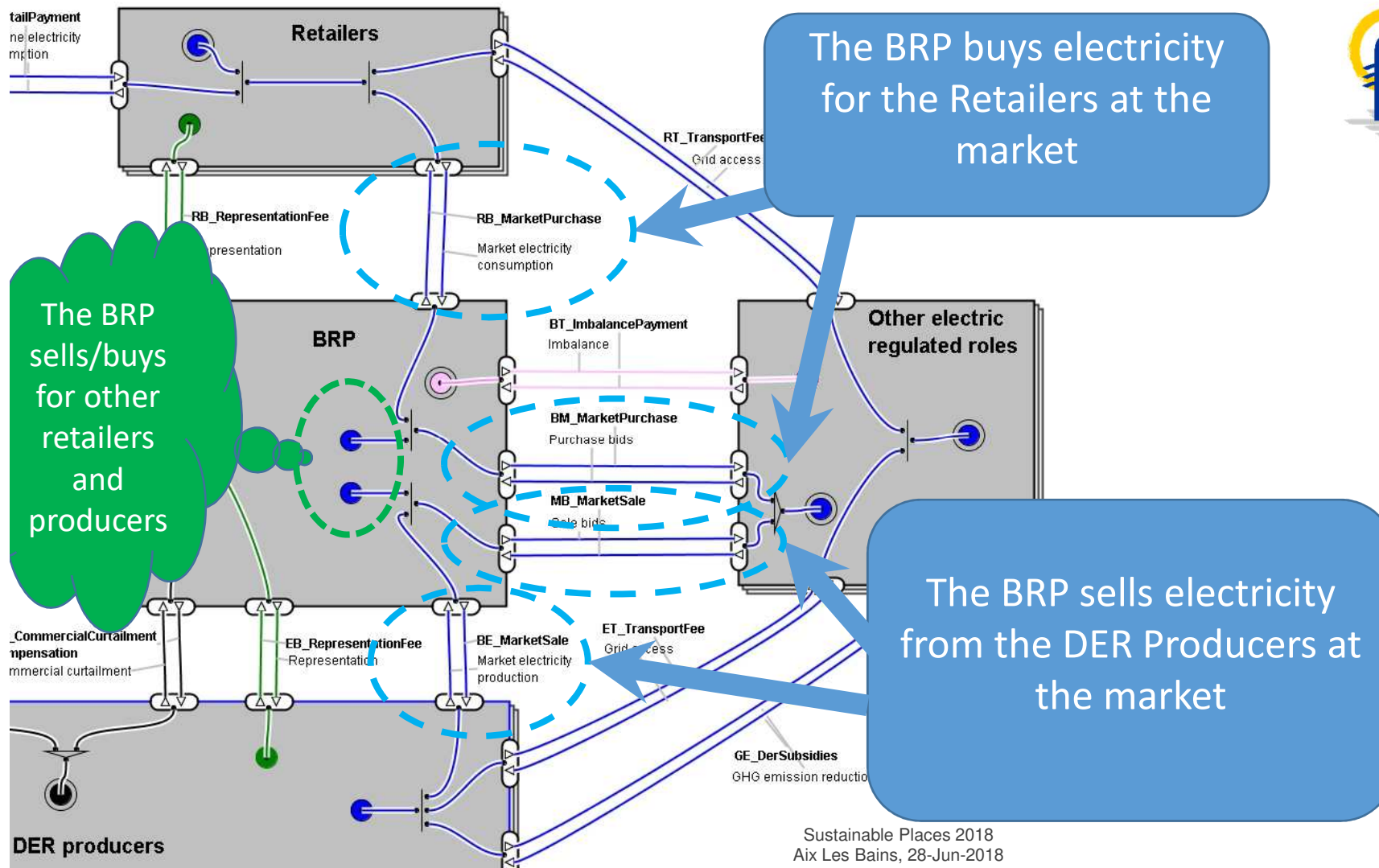
The Heat Provider pays the electricity that the HVAC consumes to a Retailer, being the payment associated to the spot market price

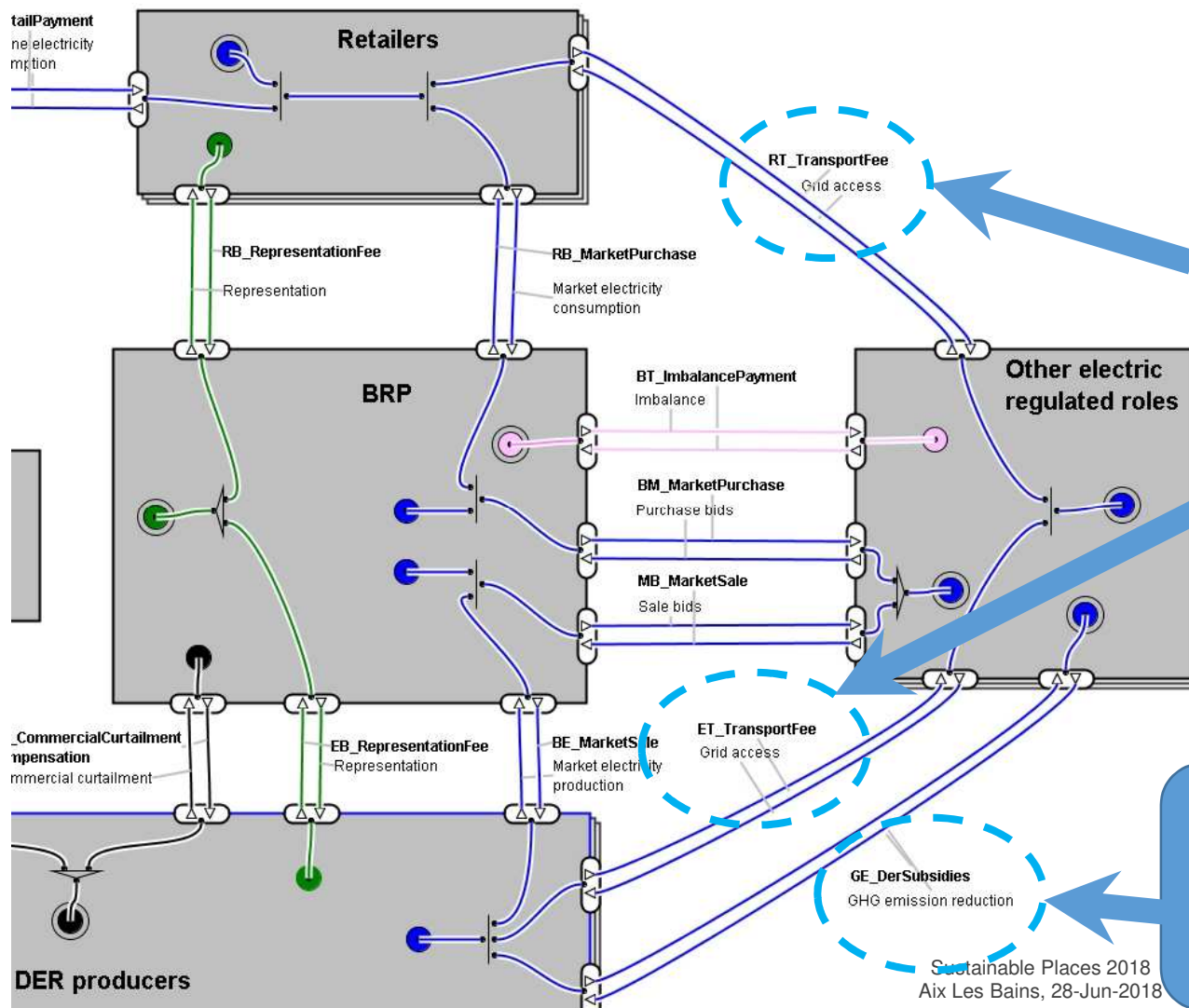
The Retailer also sells electricity to other consumers



The BRP also represents to other retailers and producers

The BRP represents Retailers and DER producers at the marketplace. It assumes the risk of their imbalances and the responsibility of electricity purchase/sale

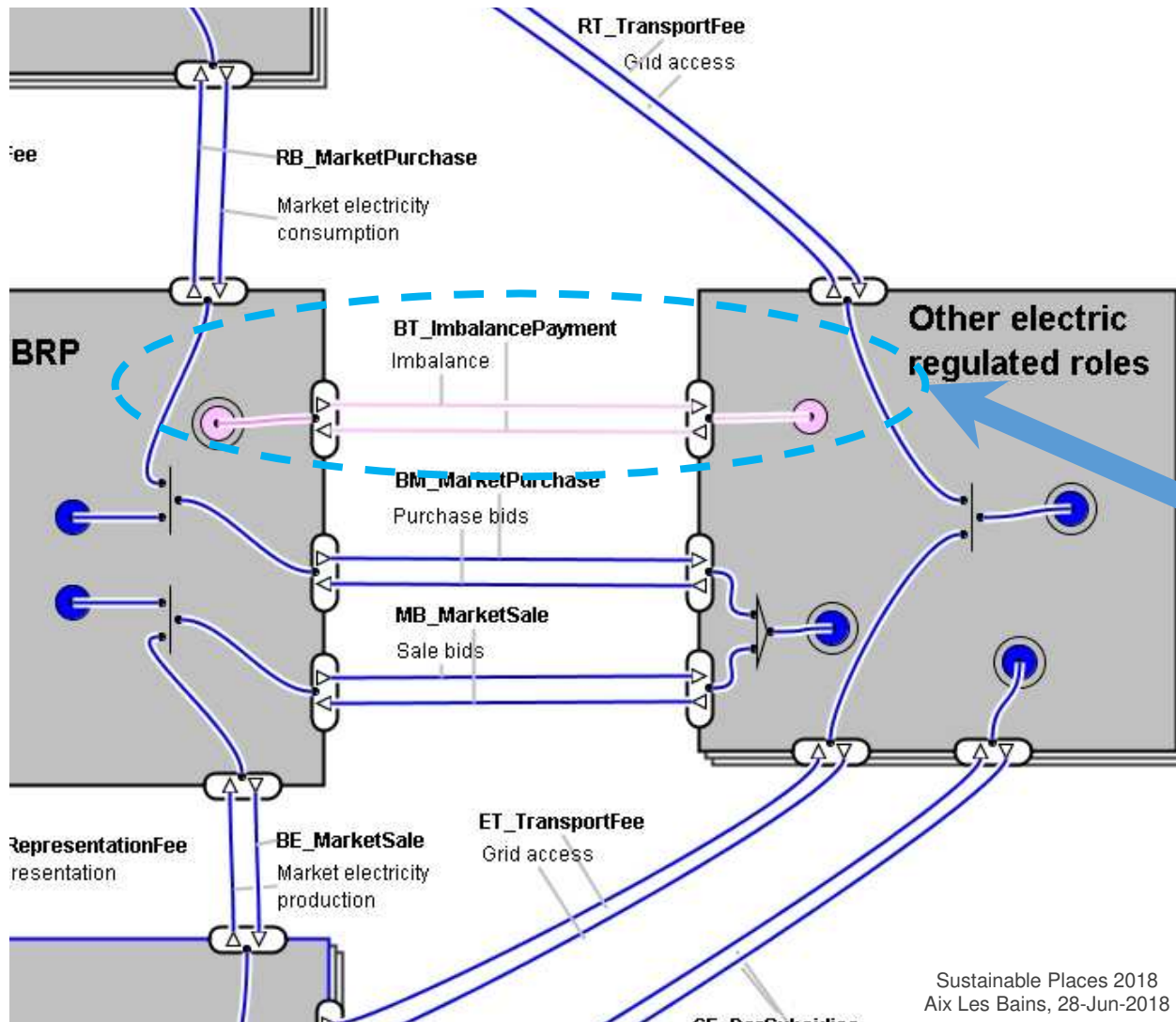




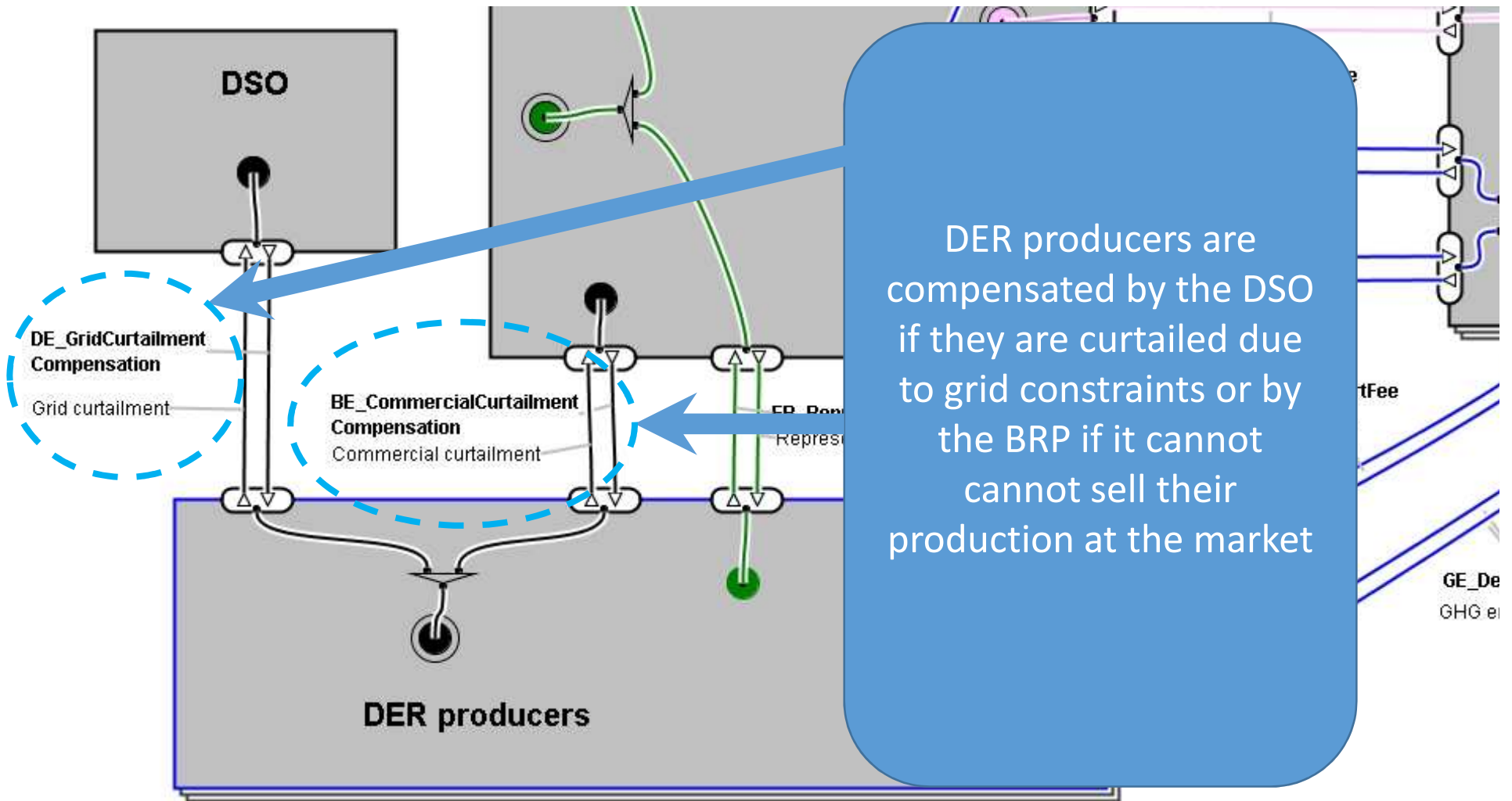
Both Retailers and DER Producers pay to the TSO the transport fee:

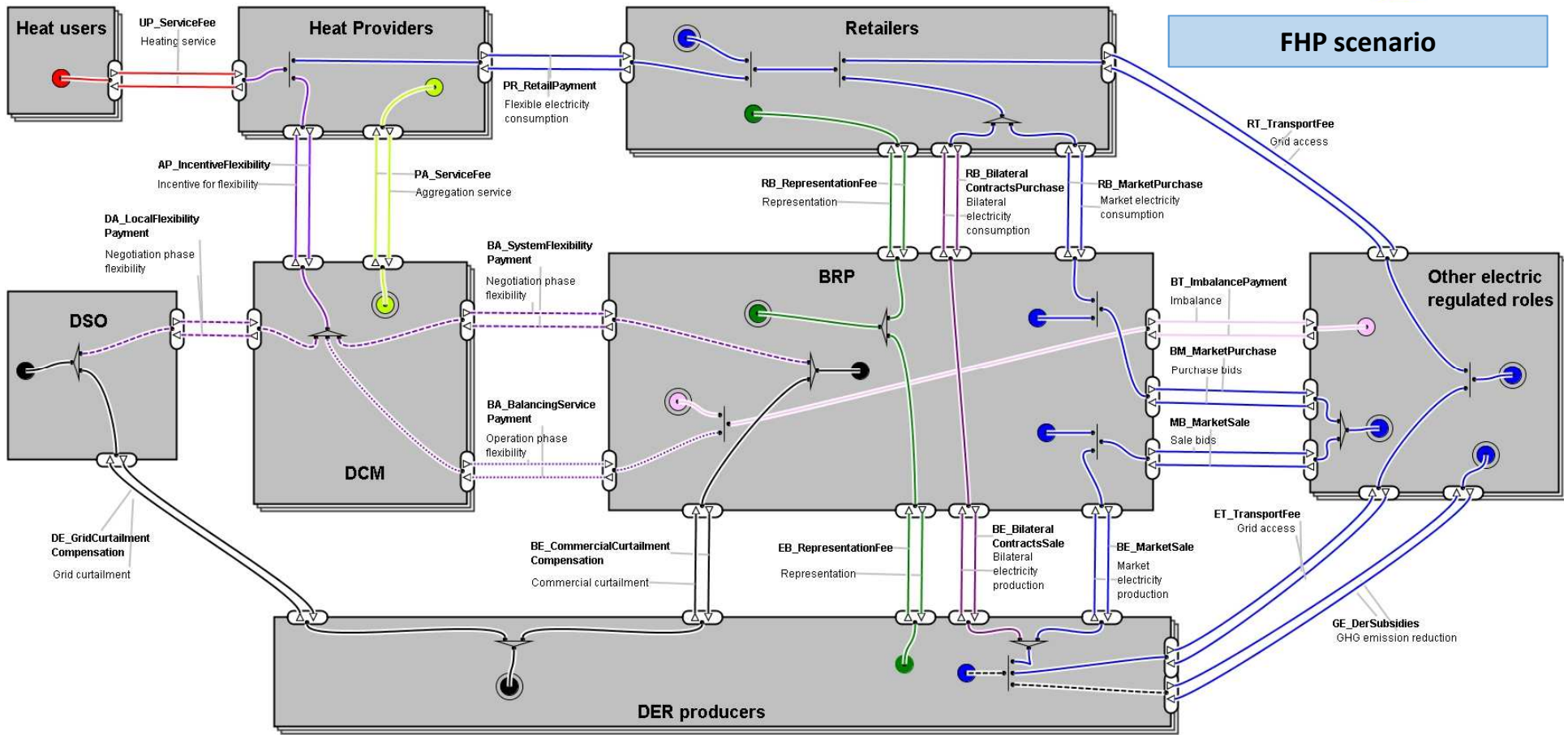
- ✓ Retailers depending on the real consumption of its portfolio of consumers
- ✓ DER Producers depending on their real production

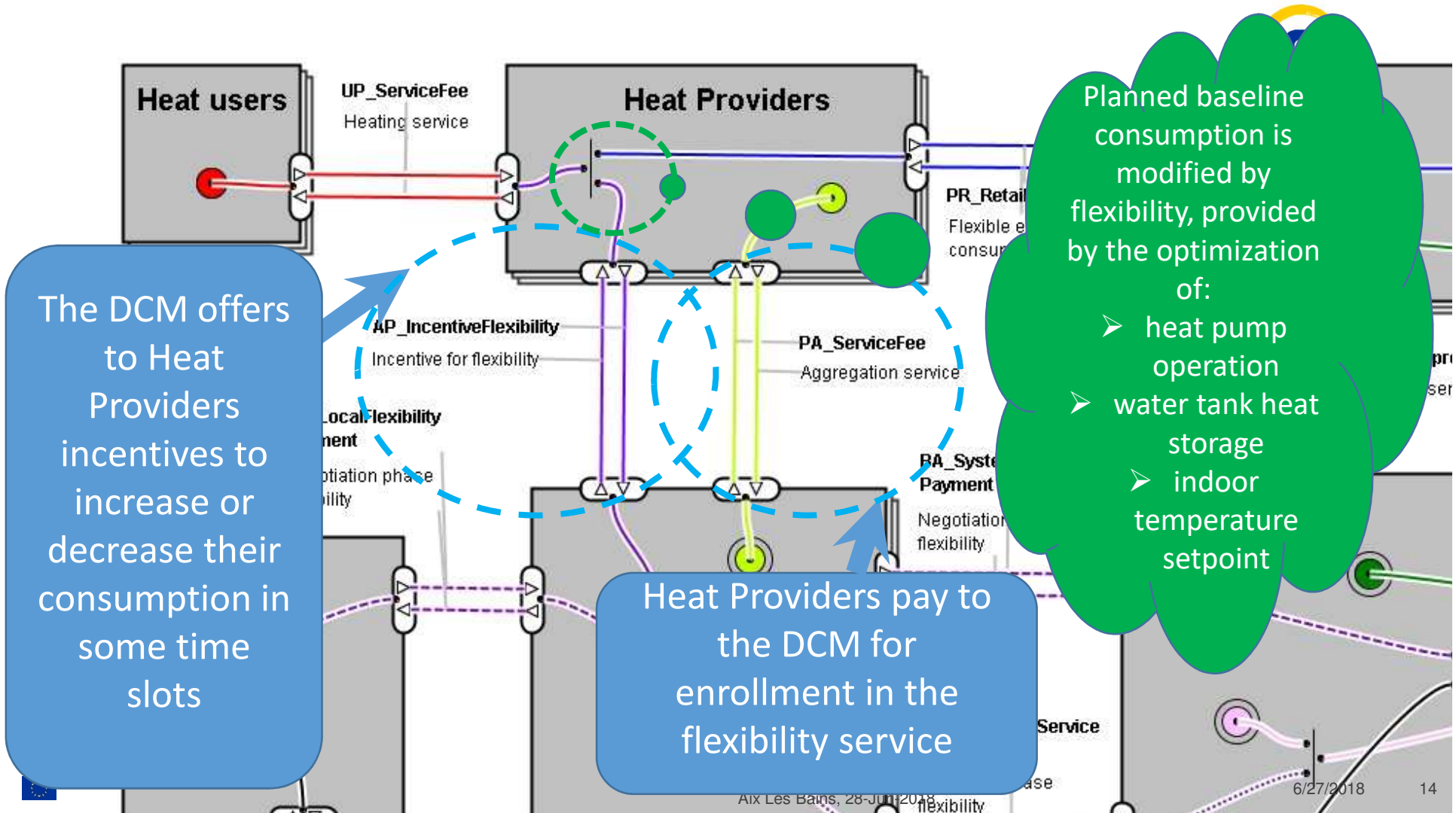
DER Producers can get a subsidy from the government due to a renewable prime

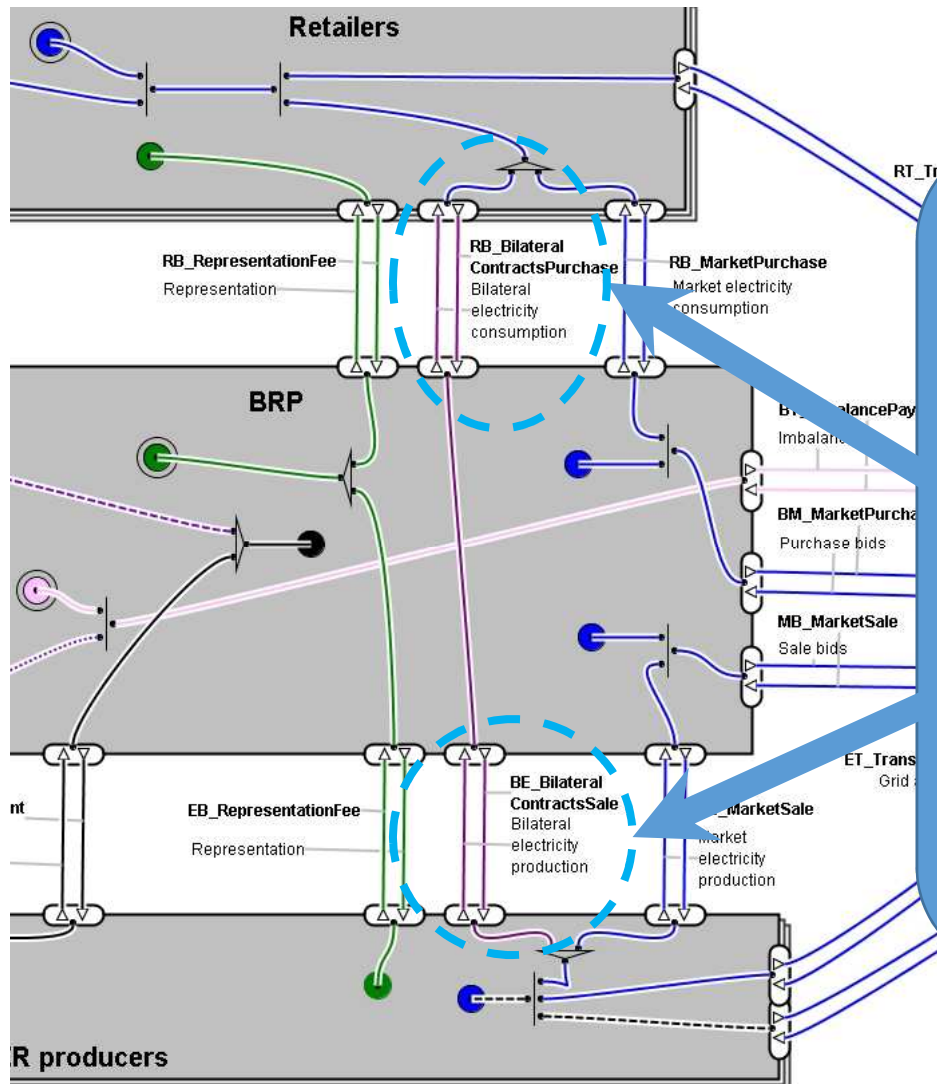


The BRP pays to the TSO depending on the amount of its imbalance, and if it is on the same direction of the TSO's imbalance









Consumption increase is allocated to bilateral contracts between the Retailers and the DER producers.

Consumption decrease is compensated at the intra-day markets



Findings

- **DCM service fee:** Baseline operation scheduling tools (Model Predictive Control - MPC) provide an added value to Heat Providers, compared to BAS thermostatic operation, which justifies its engagement.
- **DCM incentives:** Absolute incentives, which settlement is not based on baseline estimation, are the entry point to trigger Heat Providers' flexibility provision.
- **Flexibility optimization:** Strategy depends on timing.
 - **Short term flexibility:** Based on the management of water tank storage, which decouples the heat pump thermal energy production and the building thermal energy demand.
 - **Day ahead (or intraday) flexibility:** Provided by a combination of water tank storage management and indoor temperature optimization.





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