

Expectation

Oil



Last week ended with an upturn on the international crude oil markets. Tightening supply is the main bullish price driver, as production cuts among OPEC nations and political unrest limiting export from both Libya and Venezuela have caused prices to rise. Fears of a slowing global demand did however limit the upside a bit, as the Brent front month contract closed at 71,55 USD/bbl, up 0,73 USD/bbl from Thursday. Early Monday, the first signals are bearish.

Gas



Following a huge upturn during the previous couple of weeks, the European gas markets appear to have calmed down a bit recently. Prices across the continent edged slightly down Friday due to ample supply and high storage levels, although the market remains nervous due to the massive fluctuations on the carbon emission market.

Coal



On the European coal market, there were also falling prices during Friday's session, possibly because traders used the day to take profit following the previous gains. Bullish signals from China did however offset much of the downside. The API 2 Cal-20 contract was down 0,35 USD/t, closing at 75,10 USD/t. We expect another day with limited fluctuations today.

Carbon



Friday, the upturn on the European carbon emission markets came to an at least temporary end, when the benchmark quota contract fell 0,72 EUR/t and settled at 26,58 EUR/t. As with the coal market, the downturn was probably the result of profit-taking following the recent increases, and the question now is, where the market goes from here. Early Monday, prices appear to keep on falling.

Hydro



Over the weekend, we have not seen any major changes to the Nordic weather outlook. As before the weekend, this week looks very dry, but precipitation amounts will increase from around the forthcoming weekend and reach seasonal normal by early next week. Temperatures should also increase. In general, the changes to the forecasts do not appear able to cause any noticeable fluctuations on the Nordic power market today.

Germany



The German power market followed the coal, gas and carbon emission markets down in Friday's trading, where the country's Cal-20 contract fell 0,85 EUR/MWh and closed at 50,40 EUR/MWh. The fluctuations on the carbon market are the most import factor right now, and should remain so this week as well. We expect slightly falling prices in Monday's session.

Equities



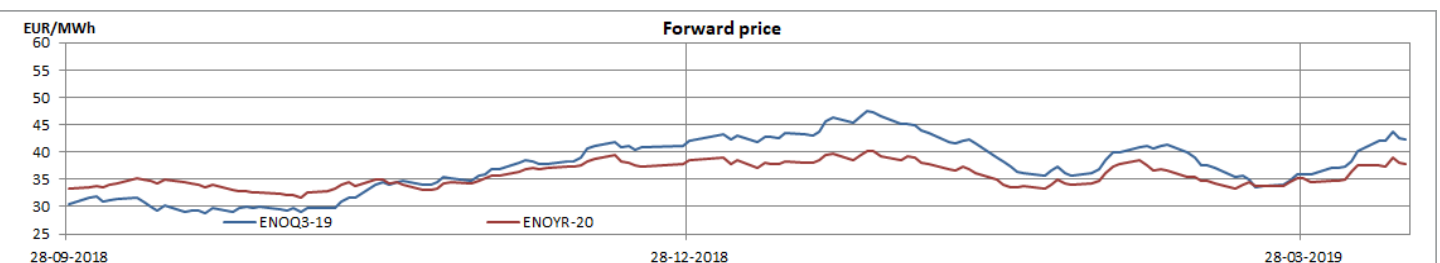
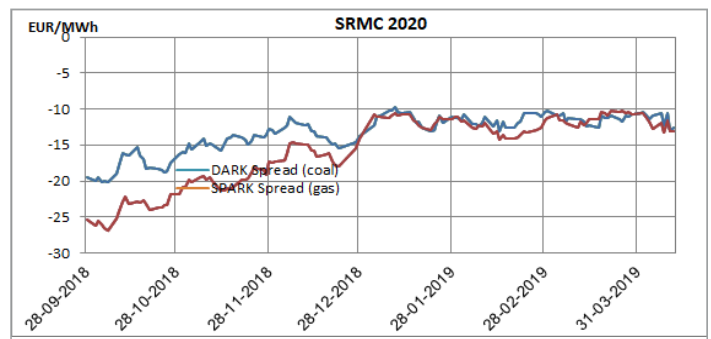
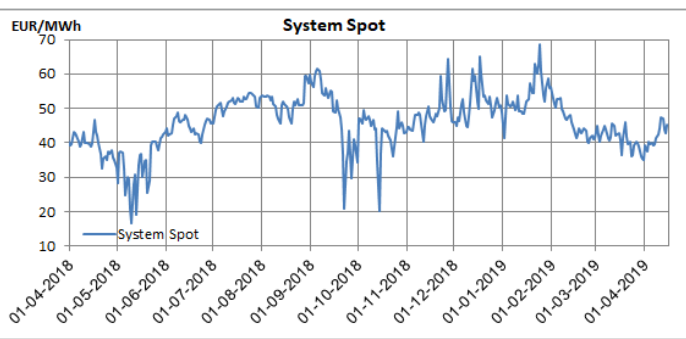
After a couple of quiet days, the international stock markets turned bullish again Friday, where the US S&P 500 Index was up 0,66 % following the publishing of positive key figures on consumer prices. Monday, the first signals from Asia are positive as well due to strong numbers on exports and a optimism regarding a solution to the US-China trade war.

Conclusion



An otherwise very insecure week on with big fluctuations on the Nordic power market ended relatively quiet Friday. The bearish sentiment in Germany was offset by slightly drier weather forecasts, causing a neutral day. The Q3-19 contract fell 0,15 EUR/MWh to 42,30 EUR/MWh, while the YR-20 contract was down 0,17 EUR/MWh, settling at 37,76 EUR/MWh. Monday, the carbon market and the German power market appears to trade down, so we expect a bearish session on the Nordic power market as well.

Spot	DK1	DK2	SE3	SE4	HEL	OSL	SYS	Forwards	DK1	DK2	STO	MAL	HEL	OSL	SYS	SRMC	Coal	Gas	Oil
13-apr	42,58	43,93	43,93	43,93	43,93	44,02	43,95	April	43,55	44,75	42,65	42,65	45,65	41,85	41,90	April	47,78	40,47	88,99
14-apr	37,93	37,93	41,87	41,87	41,87	43,12	42,69	Q2-19	47,90	48,78	45,03	46,05	48,30	42,43	42,30	Q2-19	48,70	42,42	0,00
15-apr	44,35	44,74	45,53	45,81	48,55	45,21	45,40	2019	42,64	44,84	39,41	40,94	41,64	37,86	37,76	2020	50,35	50,82	0,00



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