



Transnational CLOUD for Interconnection of Demonstration Facilities for Smart GRID Lab Research & Development





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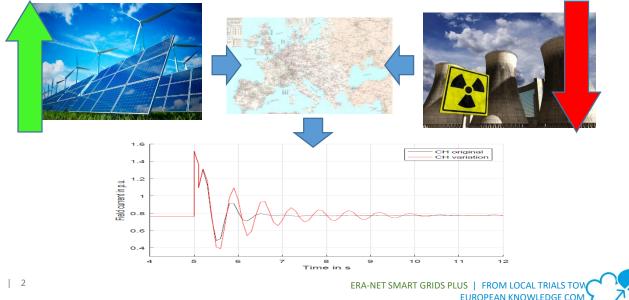






#### **Research Goal**

Provide recommendations and strategies to **meet the challenges** of the future power system, to facilitate larger amount of **intermittent renewable generation** together with **less nuclear** production while providing a **secure and reliable electrical power supply**.



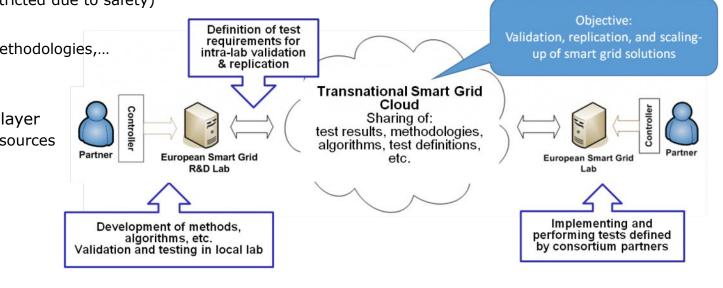
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## **Research Methode: Transnational Smart Grid Cloud**

- Physical layer
  - Use and control of equipment (somewhat restricted due to safety)
- Information layer
  - Test results, methodologies,...
  - Historical data
  - Live feed
- Personal / human layer
  - Exchange of resources

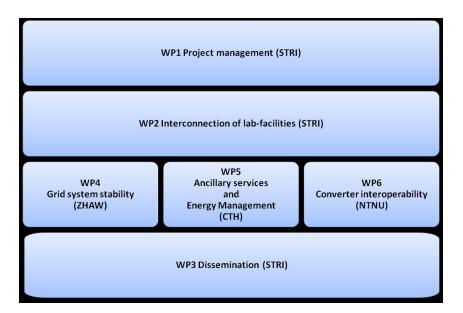


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#### **Project Status**

- Project kicked off in March 2016, and is to finish in March 2019
- 3 technical work packages, 3 support work packages
- 5 project partners, more than 20 publications (and more on the way)

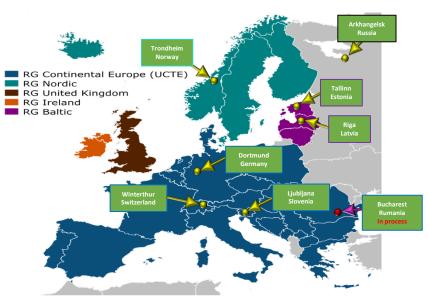






## **Results: Scientific Results & Solutions** WP2 – Interconnection of Lab Facilities

**Example of Available Measurements Exchange Europe** 



#### Interconnection of Labs Phasor Measurement Exchange

Real Time Monitoring: Use of professional visualization tools

Fast Data Collection: 50 samples/sec

Large Storage Required: 250 MB/h, 150 GB/month







## **Results: Scientific Results & Solutions** WP5: Ancillary Services and Energy Management

#### **Development of ASBRA**

Ancillary Services Benefit and Risk Assessment

- A first evaluation of a suppliers possibilities to supply ancillary service(s)
- · General for all but needs to be adapted to each service and supplier
- Includes the impact to supply multiple ancillary services
- Can also be used to determine penalties systems is applicable.

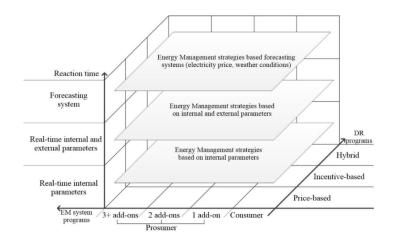


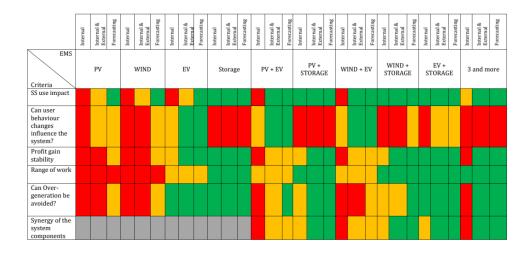


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- Tested a large number of Energy Management Services (EMS) in the lab
- Also evaluated EMS extensively based on three differentiation axis





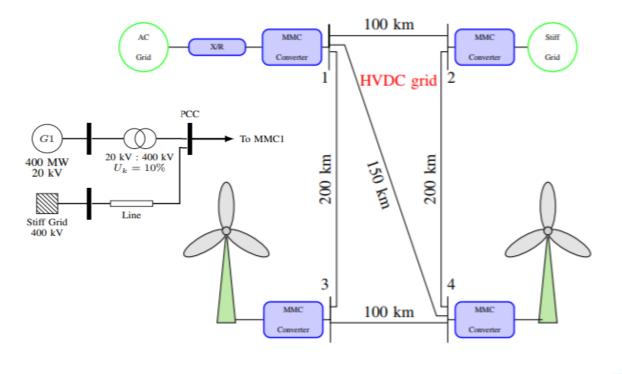
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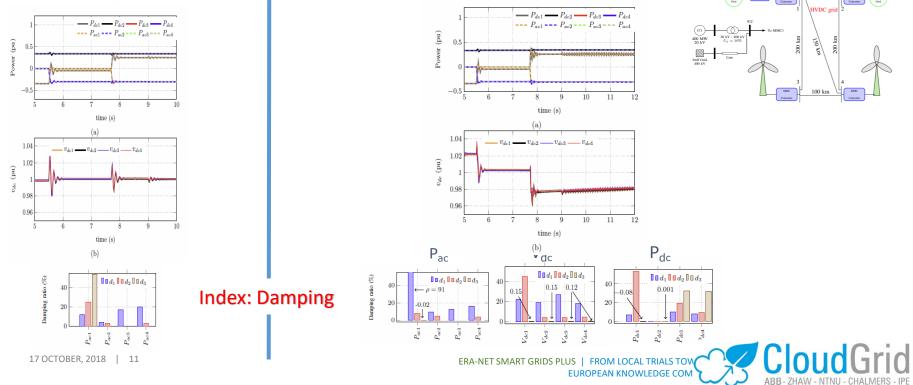
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#### Normal operation



#### Abnormal operation



## Some learnings from the project

- The cooperation between labs has made it possible to perform tests and analysis that would not be possible stand-alone. This has been done through use of equipment in others' labs, sharing of data/methods/results, and sharing of resources / knowledge
- Labs are not straight forward to connect;
  - Challenges with regards to Firewalls
  - Limitations on how and what you can control in others' labs due to safety
  - Large data sizes when doing measurements can make the data difficult to store and share (e.g. 150 GB / month in frequency data only)
- Can be challenging with technical definitions e.g. Interoperability
  - The ability of two or more networks, systems, devices, applications, or components to interwork, to exchange and use information in order to perform required functions
  - How the operations of one system/component (indirectly) affect the operations of other compontens in the network





#### **Barriers to innovation**

- In general, the industry seems to have a limited understanding of ancillary services, and especially on aggregation of ancillary services
- Lack of regulations and/or possible ways to capitalize on anciallary services
- Limited regulations related to DMS (local incentives, etc) (e.g. appliances should be able to interact with grid on a more automatic basis)
- Lack of commercial reasonable (low cost) Smart Socket products for DMS, which both measures the energy consumed and allows control





#### The results include among other

- Recommendations on the modelling of grids
- ASBRA suggested approach for evaluating ancillary service business models
- SmartSocket prototypes
- An improved understanding of the advantages of hybrid AC/DC systems
- Creation of an early version of pattern recognition for "abnormal operations in a hybrid AC/DC system"





#### Ideas for further research

- There is a lack of analytical tools to train the algorithms to monitor and detect abnormal grid operation for the benefit of TSOs and DSOs.
- We are in need of a more complete understanding, analysis and modelling approaches for hybrid HVAC/HVDC systems, with particular emphasis to the dynamics arising from their interconnection.
- Potential commercializing of affordable smart sockets
- Further investigate the implications of aggregated ancillary services (providing multiple services)







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