

The Norwegian Move to Smart Grid – Opportunities and Challenges in a European Context

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The steps toward the Smart Grid

	Academia		Industry
2010	Norwegian Smart Grid Centre: first initiative coordinating Demo Norway		
2011	Smart Grid Lighthouse: NTNU grant based		Several «Living Labs» Accross Norway since 2011
2012	Smart Grid National Laboratory: granted by the Research Council of Norway (2014-2019)		
2015	Norwegian Centre for Environmental Friendly Energy (FME): to be applied to the Research Council of Norway in 2015		



Norwegian System Peculiarities

- Large part of the LV distribution system is of type 230 Volt line to line system different from the 400 Volt line to line voltage systems in most of Europe
- Weak grids with approx. 40% of the supply terminals weaker than the standardized EMC reference impedance giving larger voltage quality problems when connecting EVs, PVs etc. than many countries
- High flexibility for demand response and demand side management schemes due to large part of electricity consumption in the domestic sector used for space and water heating
- Well developed broadband communication to homes and increased use of fiber-to-home communication provided by power utilities





The Norwegian Power System

- Large availability of hydropower plants with reservoirs are fast and easy to control: low-cost balancing services
- Quick growing use of **purely battery based electric vehicles** due to very good incentives (tax exempt, free parking, free use of toll roads and bus lanes etc.)
- Increasing **penetration of distributed generation** (much small hydro so far)
- Trend of less annually energy consumption but larger peaks in periods
- Distribution grids need significantly upgrading
- Well-developed electricity markets. There are multi-national markets with significant volumes for day-ahead, intra-day and balancing with participation of producers and consumers



Our possible role in a sustainable power system?







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Crowd sourced orders of Tesla







A lot of electricity used for heating

16 000 kWh per household (average)





ECO HOME



Real Power House: produces 23,200kWh a year - requires just 7,272kW to run





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The Norwegian Smart Grid Center

- Established in 2010 recommended by Ministry of Petroleum and Energy in its national strategy process for defining future Energy R&D in Norway.
- NTNU and SINTEF answered the challenge and became the locus of coordinating national research, demonstration, laboratory, education, standardisation and information activities to optimise the use of resources and avoid uncoordinated parallel activities.
- Currently 47 members from universities, research bodies, supply industry, transmission and distribution companies as well as infrastructure providers within telecommunication.





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Goals of the Smart Grid Center

- Establish a national roadmap of Smart Grid in Norway
- Coordinate the **national demo sites** run by network operators
- Standardization and interoperability for a successful implementation of smart grid solutions
- **Contribute to the competiveness** of the emerging Norwegian Smart Grid industry





The Smart Grid National Lab

- The new SG-lab was created to supplement the national "living labs/Demos" by:
 - Testing **immature use case** and **use case technologies** first in the laboratory before they are tested / verified in real power grids that supply households, businesses, etc.
 - Testing the use case / technologies under harsh conditions in a controlled laboratory environment:
 - Faults (short circuits),
 - High levels of harmonic distortions
 - Electromagnetic interference (EMC)
 - Etc.



Smart Grid-Lab Subprojects

Subproject 1 Smart House Demonstration

Subproject 2 EV charging & distributed storage Subproject 3 Real Time simulator OPAL-RT

Subproject 4 Grid Emulation & Network Interactions Subproject 5 Physical Extension & Software Infrastructure

Subproject 6 Remote Access & Database Design



Distribution grid

Variable HV line

impedance

Flexible line equivalent

Model of transformer station

> Magnetization and protection

Relay protection

Synchronous generator

Line inductances

Line resistance

Model of small hydro power plant

Breaker cabinet







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55 kVA permanentmagnet generator



Thanks for your attention



Pilots/demos

- Demo Steinkjer (NTE)
 - 4500 Network users
- Smart Energy Hvaler (Fredrikstad Energinett)
 - 6700 Network users
- Demo Lyse (Lyse Energy)
 - Few thousand Network users
 - 20- 100 Smart houses
- Smart grid pilot Transmission (Statnett)
- Demo Skarpnes (Skanska, Agder Energy)
 - 40 energy neutral houses/flats

