



Progress on Meshed HVDC Offshore Transmission Networks

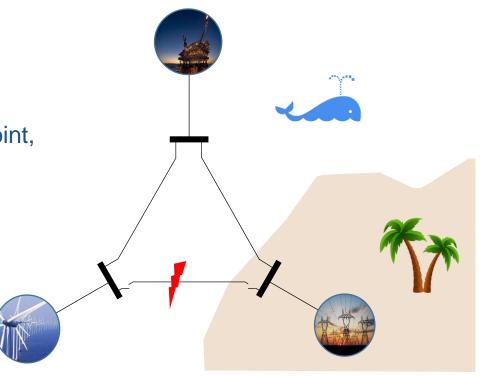
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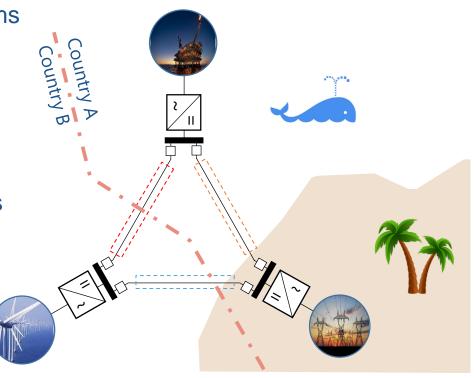
Why a meshed grid?

- Different types of offshore users
 - Consumers
 - Producers
 - Interconnectors
- Traditionally connected point-to-point, dedicated connection
 - Lower utilisation
 - Reliability offshore
- Mesh offers benefit



Challenges

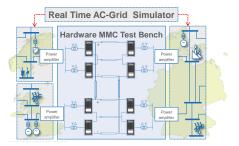
- Offshore requires cables & platforms
- Long cables require HVDC
- HVDC requires converters
- HVDC network requires HVDC control & protection system
- HVDC protection system requires HVDC switchgear / circuit breakers
- Transnational network
 - Regulatory differences
 - Business models
 - Governance
 - Financing



Objectives

- 1. Identify technical requirements and investigate possible topologies for meshed **HVDC** offshore grids
- Develop **protection schemes** and **components** for HVDC grids
- 3. Establish components' interoperability and initiate standardisation
- 4. **Demonstrate** cost-effective offshore HVDC equipment
- 5. Develop recommendations for a coherent EU and national regulatory framework for HVDC offshore grids
- Develop recommendations for financing mechanisms for offshore grid 6. infrastructure deployment
- Develop a **deployment plan** for HVDC grid implementation

Demonstrators









HVDC network control

MMC test bench RWTH Aachen Aachen, Germany

HVDC network protection

Multi-terminal test centre **SHE Transmission** Glasgow, UK

HVDC circuit breakers

KEMA High Power Lab **DNV GL** Arnhem, Netherlands

HVDC gas insulated systems

KEMA High Voltage Lab **DNV GL** Arnhem, Netherlands

Statistics









Partners

















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Carbon Trust Involvement in PROMOTioN

Carbon Trust have supported PROMOTioN in three work packages

WP1 - Requirements

Requirements for offshore grids

WP7 – Regulation & Financing

The Legal, Economic and Financial Framework for a meshed offshore grid

WP12 – Deployment Plan

CBA Analysis of different topologies Development of a roadmap for meshed offshore Grid

Legal Framework

Legal Instruments

Asset Classification

Requirement for hybrid asset classification

Governance Model

Provides a structure for economic and financial framework to develop

Support Schemes for OWF

How would national support schemes operate in a meshed grid

Planning and Permitting

Recommendations for streamlining

Decommissioning

Recommendations for alignment across countries

Financial Framework

Investment Need

Investor Income

How could investors be remunerated?

Financial Strategies

What changes need to be made to attract sufficient finance?

Ownership Models

Who owns the assets and what responsibilities do they have?

Economic Framework

Planning

How should new investments be assessed and progressed?

Investment

How should costs and revenues be allocated to generators and investors?

Operation

Balancing Mechanism

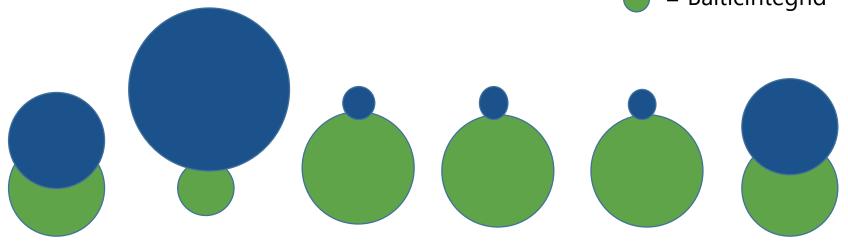
Next Steps

- Recommendations from Work Package 7 will be shared with stakeholders over next few months
- 2. Final recommendations will be published in the summer
- 3. The findings from Work Package 7 will feed into the Deployment Plan being developed by Work Package 12.
- 4. The deployment plan is due to be published towards the end of 2019

Complementarities with Baltic Integrid







Policy & Regulation

Technology & Grid Design

Market & Supply Chain

Environment & Society

Spatial **Planning**

Cost-Benefit **Analysis**

PROMOTioN workshop in Berlin – 28th February

- Technical Challenges and Recommendation for the Future European Power Grid
- Workshop this Thursday in Berlin looking at:
 - The changes in system inertia;
 - The control and operation of no or low inertia grids;
 - Power quality issues; and
 - Regulation and grid codes.
- 28th February 2019 Maritim Hotel Stauffenbergstraße 26 10785 Berlin
- \bullet 10:00 17:00

https://www.promotion-offshore.net/news_events/calendar/detail/technical-challenges-and-recommendation-for-the-future-european-power-grid/ - **REGISTER HERE**



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European Commission Energy Strategy 2030



Cut in greenhouse gas emissions compared to 1990 levels



32%

Share of renewable energy consumption



27%

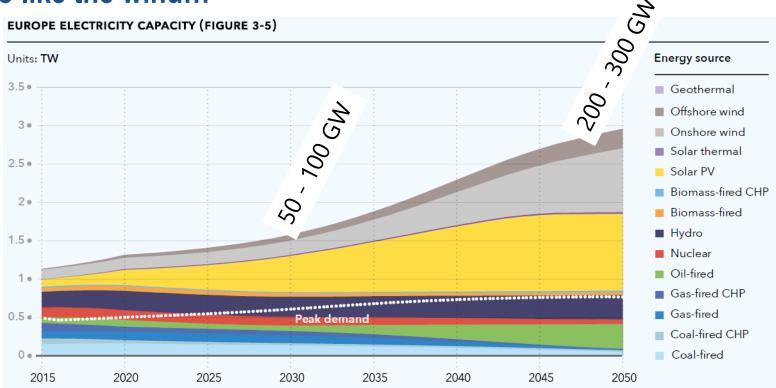
Energy savings compared with the business-asusual scenario



15%

Electricity interconnection target

Go like the wind...

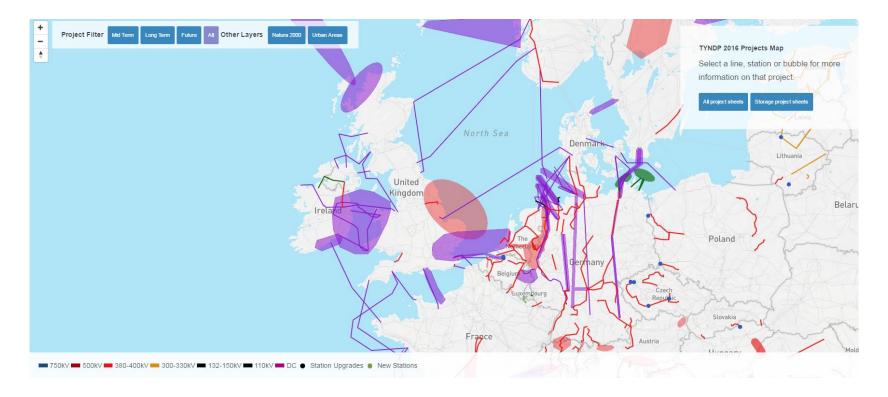






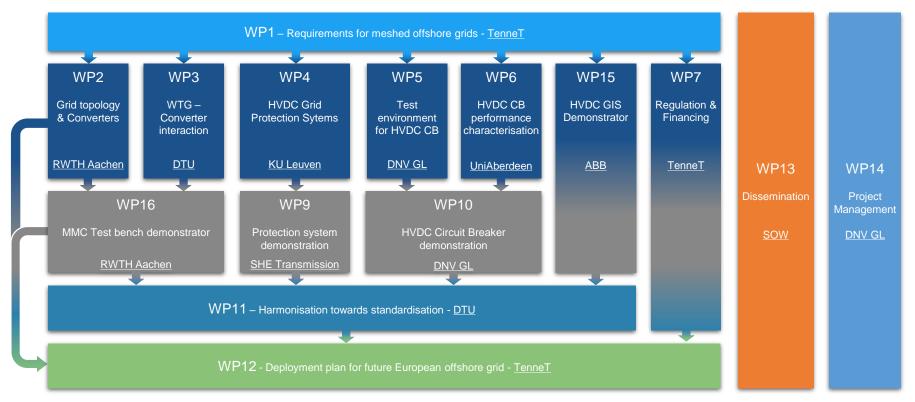
PROMOTioN Context

New Transmission Infrastructure





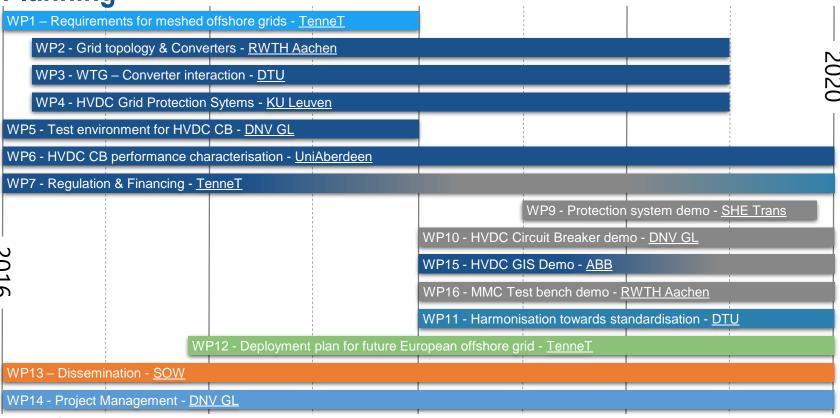
Work packages





PROMOTioN Project organisation

Planning



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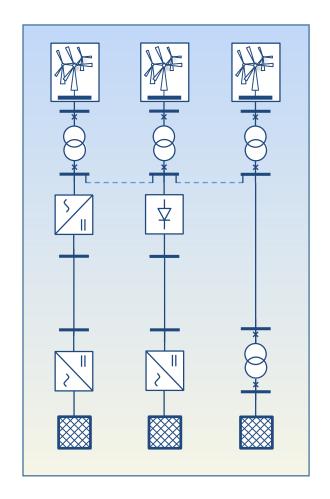
WP2 - Grid Topology and Converters

Status

- ✓ Identification of relevant topologies and study cases
- ✓ Set-up of flexible simulation models for a wide range of components and simulation time frames
- ~ Simulation studies based on the overall system from the offshore windfarm to the onshore grid
- Derivation of requirements for future HVDC grids

Exemplary achievements and findings

- Enhancement of converter and wind farm controls
- Operation of DRUs in different grid layouts is possible
- Different DC fault clearing strategies lead to different requirements for the wind farms



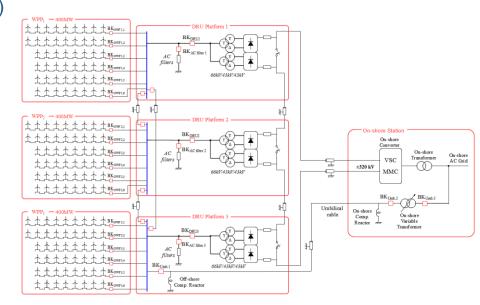
WP3 - Wind Turbine – Converter Interaction

Developments

- ✓ Functional requirements for Diode-Rectifier (DRU) connection of Wind Power Plants
- ✓ Control algorithms and simulation test cases & results
- ✓ Grid forming wind turbine controls
- ✓ Confidential grid forming WPP simulation models
 ✓ Academic (white-box) & Industrial (black-box)
- ✓ Generic VSC-connected WPP models

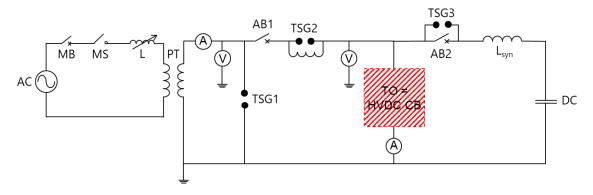
Ongoing

- ~ Compliance test procedures for DRU connection
- ~ Self-energization of offshore WPP and black start
- ~ Grid code recommendations for grid forming WPP



WP5 - Test environment for HVDC circuit breakers

- Stresses on HVDC circuit breaker technologies were identified
- Test requirements and procedures were documented
- A test circuit has been designed, implemented and tested at KEMA Laboratories
- A Mitsubishi mechanical DC circuit breaker with active current injection was tested





WP6 - Characterisation of DC Circuit Breakers

- Deliverables completed:
 - 6.1 Develop system-level model for hybrid DC CB
 - 6.2 Develop system-level model for mechanical DC CB
 - 6.9 Develop standard DC CB verification plan and RTDS models
- Major outputs:
 - Agreed test circuit for DC CB model verification,
 - Agreed DC CB model verification plan,
 - 2 journal and 6 conference articles,
 - Panel at an IEEE conference.
 - 900V, 500A DC CB test hardware,
 - 900V, 500A hybrid and mechanical DC CB demonstrators,
 - PSCAD models for hybrid and mechanical DC CB,
 - RTDS models for hybrid and mechanical DC CBs.



WP10 - Demonstration of Performance of HVDC **Circuit Breaker Technologies**

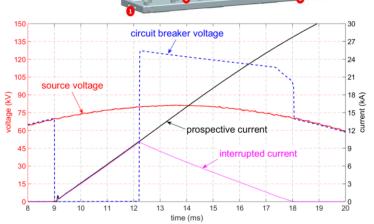
- Analyse the actual stresses on breaker sub-components
- Provide input data for models of HVDC circuit breakers

 Demonstrate testing HVDC circuit breakers of various technologies

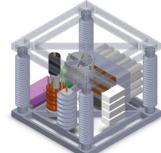
Testing of multi-module HVDC CBs

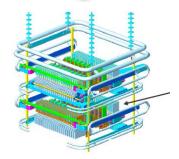
Initiate standardization activities















WP11 - Harmonisation towards standardisation

- Kickoff meeting April 2018
- Detailed work plan: Common workflow across work package tasks

Harmonization catalogue

- Map relevant harmonization activities
- Analyse potential PROMOTioN contributions

Initial workshops

 Discuss possible new harmonization initiatives with external harmonization groups

Writing

- Proposals for new harmonization work
- Deliverables
- Papers

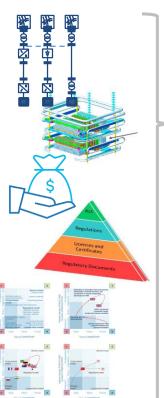
Final workshop

- Communicate PROMOTioN contributions
- Discuss future needs

- Started mapping relevant activities in Harmonization catalogue
- Updated workshop scopes and partner responsibilities

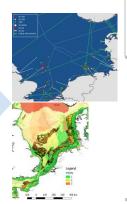


WP12 – Deployment Plan for future European offshore grid



- 1. Collation and analysis of conclusions drawn from other work packages and projects, barriers and solutions:
 - Key technical (WP1, 2, 4, 11)
 - Financial, economic (WP7)
 - · Governmental, regulatory (WP7) and
 - Market

Delivered December 2017



2. Develop optimal scenarios for the development of an offshore grid

Cost Benefit analysis

December 2018





- 3. Deployment plan for future offshore grid development
 - Stakeholder recommendations

March-June 2019



WP15 - DC GIS technology demonstrator

- Test specification and test procedures for HVDC gas-insulated systems were proposed and documented
- Test set-up for the technology demonstrator were defined and assembly was started
- Work plan for investigations regarding partial discharge diagnostic and use of alternative gases is defined





WP16 - MMC Test Bench Demonstrator

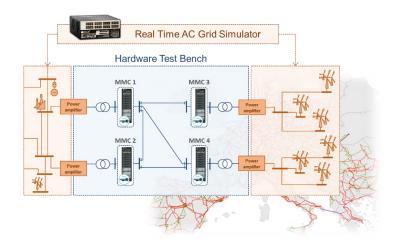
Motivation:

- MTDC systems cause novel challenges for TSOs, grid planners and manufacturers
- Experience missing concerning
 - Multi-terminal operation
 - Interaction with the large AC transmission systems
 - Interaction with offshore WPPs

Scope:

Investigation regarding the operation and control of meshed HVDC system using

- Power Hardware in the Loop (PHiL)
- Control Hardware in the Loop (CHiL)
- Real-Time Simulation of large AC grids (RTS)



Achievements:

- ✓ System design of the MMC Test Bench
- **Definition of test cases and for future** investigations