



# **SEESGEN-ICT**

## **An Introduction to WP2**

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# WP2 Team

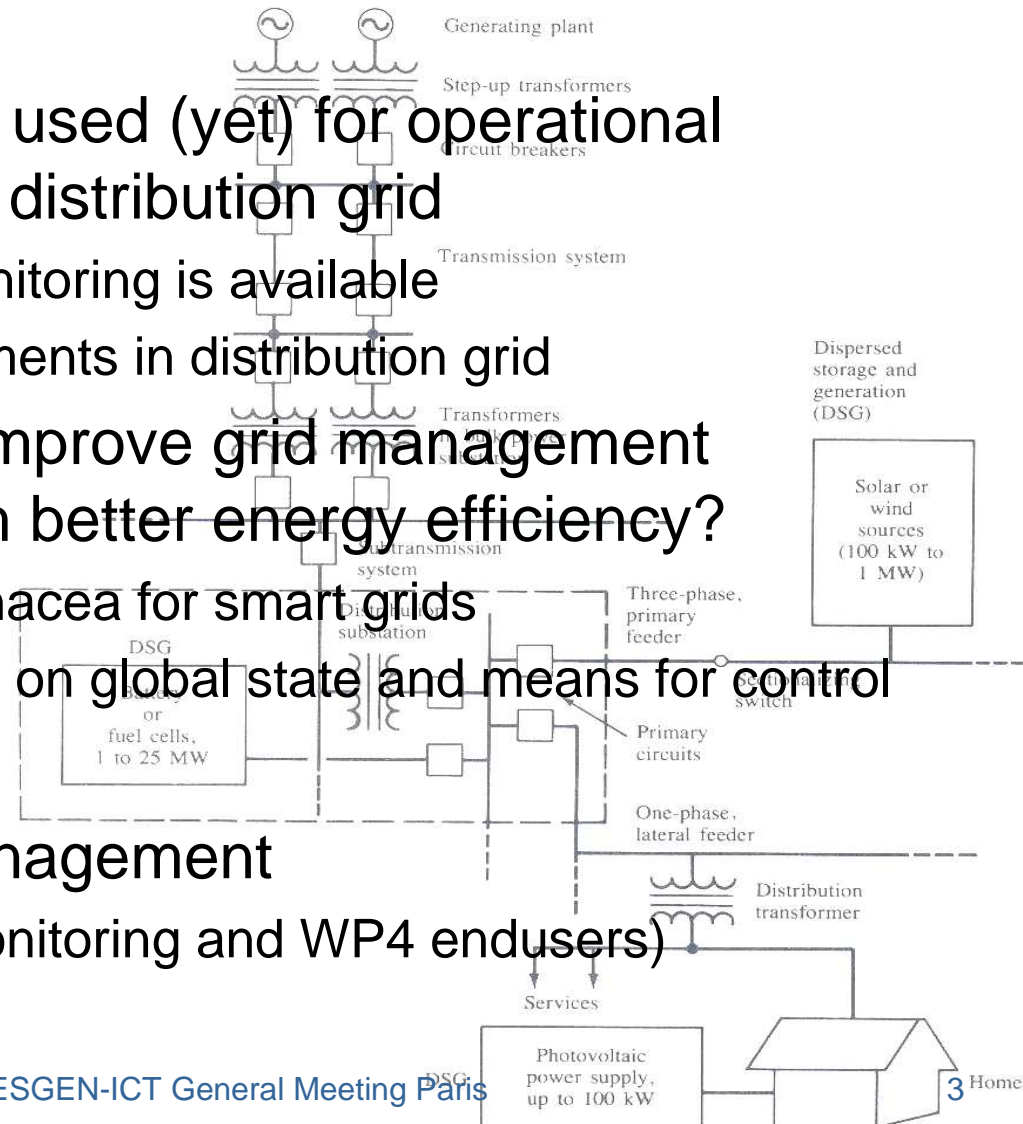
- K.U.Leuven: University of Leuven
  - Belgium
- BTH: Blekinge Institute of Technology
  - Sweden
- AIT: Austrian Institute of Technology
  - Austria
- CU: Centre for Integrated Renewable Energy Generation and Supply of Cardiff University
  - United Kingdom
- ECPE: European Center for Power Electronics e-V
  - Germany
- UL: University of Lodz
  - Poland
- ENEL DIST: ENEL Distribuzione S.p.A.
  - Italy
- PPC: Public Power Corporation S.A.
  - Greece
- + *seesgen-ict consortium at large*





## WP 2 - context

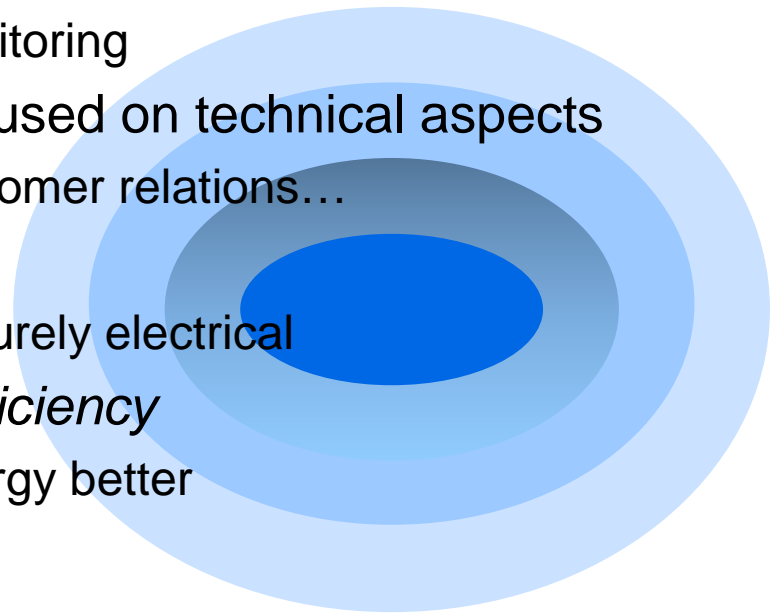
- ICT is not much used (yet) for operational management of distribution grid
  - only limited monitoring is available
  - few control elements in distribution grid
- (how) can ICT improve grid management in order to reach better energy efficiency?
  - ICT is not a panacea for smart grids
  - *only* better view on global state and means for control
- → intra grid management
  - (link to WP3 monitoring and WP4 endusers)





# Scope: intra-grid management

- specific focus of work
  - to *smart* applications
    - not possible/used in current grids
  - that *manage* the grid
    - not end user, not monitoring
  - at *distribution* level, focused on technical aspects
    - not business, not customer relations...
  - that really require *ICT*
    - not purely local, not purely electrical
  - that *improve energy efficiency*
    - save energy, use energy better





# Three intra-grid management applications

■ based on 3 **representative** specific applications

- voltage control
  - not purely electrical, but where ICT provides specific opportunities
- adaptive protection
  - if it is distributed and based on ICT solutions
- distribution grid reconfiguration
  - proactively and reactively

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- Voltage control
  - Adaptive Protection
  - Grid reconfiguration

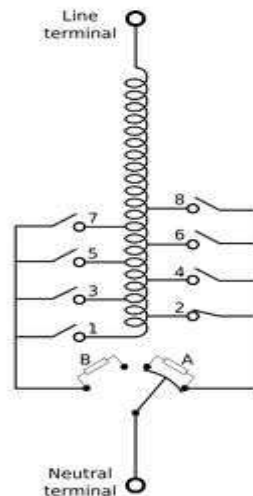


# Voltage Control

- Keeping voltage within specified limits
- Entities involved

Controller

OLTC



DGs



chosen points in the distribution grid





# Adaptive Protection

- A protection philosophy
  
- Altering the settings of protective devices to best suit the prevailing conditions
  - Preventive and emergency control
  - Positions the system to be robust
  - Responds to failure events -modifying protection system
  - Identifies developing emergency - responds to diminish its impact



# Adaptive Protection Contd...

## ■ Entities involved

Sensors

Breaker &  
actuating  
circuitry

Substation  
Coordination  
Controller

Lines and  
busbar at the  
substation





# Grid Reconfiguration

- minimizes the power losses
  - normal operating conditions
  
- prevent the whole or part of the system
  - from going into unsafe conditions- under abnormal operating conditions
  
- grid reconfiguration – proactively and reactively
  
- Implemented with the help of ICT
  - ICT to open and close various switches



# Grid Reconfiguration Contd...

## ■ Entities involved

Relays

Breaker &  
actuating  
circuitry/  
relays

Controllable  
loads and  
Distributed  
generators

Switches



# Contribution by WP2 –in terms of deliverables & publications

Deliverable No	Deliverable name	Dissemination level	Delivery date (project month) as per SA	Actual Delivery date (project month)
D2-1	Detailed Workplan (SA) of WP2	Restricted	Month 3	Month 4 (Oct 2009)
D2-2	Report on ICT requirements, offers and needs for managing Smart Grids with DER	Public	Month 8	Month 8 (Feb 2010)
D2-3	Report on Technical and non-Technical Barriers and Solutions for managing Smart Grids with DER	Public	Month 12	Month 13 (July 2010)
D2-4	Policy actions and recommendations for intra-grid control applications in smart grids	Restricted	Month 18	Month 19 (January 2011)

## Publications:

1.P.C. Ramaswamy, G. Deconinck, "Classification of Intra-Grid Management Applications Based on ICT," *Proc. 5th Joint IEEE IAS, PELS & PES Benelux Chapter Young Researchers Symp. in Electrical Power Engineering (YRS-2010)*, Leuven, Belgium, 29-30 Mar. 2010, 4 pages.

2.P. Chittur Ramaswamy, G. Deconinck, "Relevance of Voltage Control, Grid Reconfiguration and Adaptive Protection in Smart Grids and Genetic Algorithm as an Optimization Tool in Achieving their Control Objectives" , *IEEE ICNSC 2011, Apr 11 to 13, 2011, Delft*

3.P. Chittur Ramaswamy, G. Deconinck, M. Stifter, "Barriers and Recommendations for Enabling ICT Based Intra-grid Control Applications in Smart Grids", **submitted for IEEE smart grid communication conference 2011, Oct, Brussels**



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