# Grid Integration Of Variable Renewable Energy:

Innovative Solutions at the Transmission and Distribution Levels

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# Gain knowledge and tools to enable a clean, modern, flexible, and affordable power system

With the costs for solar and wind energy technologies continuing to fall, an increasing number of countries have shifted from planning for the integration of variable renewable energy to actually implementing changes. This Deep Dive Workshop, organized by USAID, GIZ and NREL, will draw from these provide the most up-to-date experiences to information on emerging solutions for efficiently integrating variable renewable energy to both the transmission and distribution systems. Expert speakers from diverse power systems around the world will highlight case studies and provide participants with insights on solar and wind grid integration strategies that can be adapted to power systems of any size and market structure.

#### Learn how decision makers in the Asia region (and beyond!) are addressing common grid integration questions

- Which **decision support tools** are available to enable power system flexibility?
- What strategies are effective in creating an enabling environment for **thermal plant flexibility** to support solar and wind integration?
- What considerations and approaches can help policy makers understand the type, size, and location of **energy storage** to best benefit their power systems?
- How can innovative approaches to interconnection processes, compensation mechanisms, and planning address the technical challenges that



arise as large amounts of **rooftop solar PV** are interconnected to the distribution system?

• What will the role of **emerging technologies** be in systems with high levels of variable RE?

#### Participation is free for ACEF attendees

Registration for ACEF is a prerequisite for participation in the Deep Dive Workshop. Apart from the ACEF fee, there are no additional costs to attend this workshop. **Please indicate your participation in this Deep Dive Workshop when registering online for ACEF** at <u>http://www.asiacleanenergyforum.org/registration-201</u> 8/.

#### Contact us

For the latest agenda and information, please visit the Deep Dive Workshop section of <u>ACEF website</u>. For any other questions, please contact the organizers:

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# Agenda

Time	Activity
9:00-9:20 am	Opening: Welcome remarks
	• Mr. Helmut Fischer, Executive Director for Austria, Germany, Luxembourg, Turkey and the United Kingdom,
	Asian Development Bank
	• Ms. Carrie Thompson, Deputy Assistant Administrator, USAID Bureau for Economic Growth, Education and
	Environment
9:20-9:45am	Morning Keynote - Grid Integration and Power System Flexibility: Challenges and Trends
	Dr. Jaguelin Cochran, NREL
9:45-10:30am	Decision Support Tools to Enable Power System Flexibility
	Identify methods and tools that can help planners understand the power system-specific issues that might arise as
	the penetration of solar and wind on the power system grows, as well as the flexibility strategies that are most likely
	be cost-effective.
	Speakers:
	Overview: "Grid Integration Studies and Identifying Flexibility Solutions," Ms. Jessica Katz, NREL
	Thailand case study: Dr. Peerapat Vithayasrichareon, International Energy Agency (IEA)
	Sri Lanka case study: Dr. H. M. Wijekoon and Mr. Randika Wijekoon, Ceylon Electricity Board
10:30-11:00am	Break
11:00-11:50am	Overcoming Barriers to Flexibility in the Generation Fleet
	Communicate the range of issues that policymakers will likely confront when addressing how to create an enabling
	policy, regulatory, and market environment for thermal plant flexibility.
	Sneakers:
	• Overview: "Creating an Enabling Environment for Conventional Power Plant Flexibility." Dr. Peerapat
	Vithavasrichareon, IFA
	Germany case study: Ms. Claudia Weise, VGB PowerTech e V
	<ul> <li>India case study: Mr. Anian Kumar Sinha, NTPC.</li> </ul>
11:50am-12:30p	Utility-Scale Storage: If When What Type How Much and Where?
m	Provide an overview of the considerations and tools that will support policymakers in making cost-effective
	decisions about the deployment of storage as the penetration of variable RE grows.
	Speakers:
	<ul> <li>Overview "Storage services in a high-RE power system, and the state of the industry,"</li> </ul>
	aquelin Cochran, NREL
	Hawai'i case study: Mr. Leon Roose, Hawai'i Natural Energy Institute
12:30-2:00pm	Lunch
2:00-2:30pm	Afternoon Keynote - Grid Integration At The Distribution Level: Challenges and Trends
	Dr. Thomas Ackermann, CEO, Energynautics
2:30-3:30pm	Solutions to Facilitate Successful RE Integration on the Distribution System
	Support policy makers in identifying and navigating the range of institutional strategies (including policy,
	regulations, compensation mechanisms, and planning) that will help mitigate technical challenges (e.g., 2-way
	power now, voltage control) that arise as large amounts of roomop PV are interconnected to the distribution system.
	Speakers:
	Overview: "Institutional mechanisms to enable efficient integration of rooftop PV." Ms. Jessica Katz, NRFI
	India case study: Mr. Jörg Gäbler, Indo-German Energy Programme, GIZ
	Hawai'i case study: Mr. Marc Matsuura, Hawai'i Natural Energy Institute
3:30-4:00nm	Break
4:00-5:15pm	Panel: Where Do We Go From Here?
5:15-5:30pm	Summary, Additional Resources, and Closing









# Preparation / Additional Information for Participants

For more information and advance reading about variable RE grid integration issues, please see the resources at <u>http://greeningthegrid.org</u>.

## About the Organizers

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