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Energy sector coupling: electric-thermal interaction through heat pumps

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INTEGRIDS project

Electric and thermal grids integration with energy flexible buildings

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Project overview

- European fund for regional development of the province of BZ
- Three RENENE groups involved
- Duration of the project 35 months (January 2017 – December 2019)





Context



Klimaland "Energy strategy of South Tyrol" targets 2050

INTEGRIDS will explore the concept of integrated energy grids defined as the synergy between thermal and electrical networks to enable high renewable energy penetration in efficient buildings and districts.

Towards 90% renewables



Objectives







Source: P. Mancarella, G. Andersson, J. A. Peças-Lopes and K. R. W. Bell, "Modelling of integrated multi-energy systems: Drivers, requirements, and opportunities," 2016 Power Systems Computation Conference (PSCC), Genoa, 2016, pp. 1-22.



· 소··· Models for integrated grids – RES impact

Multi-regional level – Hourly resolution





· ④· Models for integrated grids – MV/LV distribution grid

Urban scale – Minute and second time resolution

MV-LV Distribution grid



Solar Tyrol cadaster





HP profiles

Impact of DERs requires Time-series POWER FLOW ANALYSIS!!

Peak-time analysis







Flexibility in buildings and districts

Energy Flexibility represents the capacity of a building to react to one or more forcing factors, minimizing their effects in a given time interval.



Vigna I., Pernetti R., Pasut W., Lollini R., "New domain for promoting energy efficiency: Energy Flexible Building Cluster". Sustainable Cities and Society, 38 (2018), 526–533.



Flexibility in buildings and districts



Define the building energy demand profile at district level and quantify the energy flexibility potential of buildings

FORCING FACTORS

- Matching with RES production
- Electricity price
- \succ CO₂ emissions due to the electrical grid



Laboratory – Energy Exchange lab

ExCHangE

- Traditional DH networks
- Heat-pump based DHC (H2020 flexynet project)

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Caboratory – PV Integration lab





- Building Integrated PV
- Electronic load
- Electric storage
- Electric grid real-time simulator



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Building energy demand profiles





Two identical environmental chambers which can rotate to obtain the desired orientation for

- Testing building envelop components such multifactional facades systems
- Analysis of human thermal comfort and indoor environmental quality

Ready by June 2019!





Laboratory – Integrids infrastructure

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- Heat-pump based DHC (H2020 flexynet project)



MultiLAB

- Test facades
- Building energy demand profiles

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Laboratory – Integrids infrastructure



Online Mode:

 At least two labs run at the same time for the same experiment

(e.g. meet the Exchange HP demand with PV production)

Offline Mode:

 Data stored in the Database can be used from a single lab to run an experiment
(e.g. using building profiles previously generated by MulitiLAB for Exchange lab tests)



Laboratory – Energy management system

OBJECTIVES

- Maximize RES exploitation
- Price changing
- Grid support

BENEFITS

- fast and simple rules
- good performance
- Iow computational power and robustness

CHALLENGES

- Direct lab control
- Priority management







Local Project Advisory Board (PAB) Members:



Energy certification of buildings



New districts and buildings



Utility / electrical grid/ district heating



Expert in the field of H2 and e-mobility



Electrical grid and e-mobility

National Project Advisory Board (PAB) Members:



Research on energy system

Virtual power plant concept and ESCO



Polytechnic of Milan



Consultant in the energy sector

Cooperative small energy producers

IPES

SEV

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Engineering company

Owner of social housing



Expert in the energy sector



Thank you for the attention!



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