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SURVEY OF NETWORK DSM PROJECTS READY TO COMMENCE

The objective of Subtask 1 of Task XV is to identify a wide range of DSM measures that can be used to relieve electricity network constraints and/or provide network operational services.

To achieve this objective, a survey of network DSM projects will be carried out. The Country Experts will collect information about the network-driven DSM projects implemented in their respective countries. I, as Operating Agent, will collect information about network-driven DSM projects implemented in other countries.

This survey is now ready to commence.

A data collection form for the survey has been under development for the last couple of months. The on-line version of this form has been completed and is now available on the Task XV Experts website.

Country Experts can use the data collection form to enter information about network-driven DSM projects in their own countries directly into an on-line database. This information will then be accessible to all Task XV people.

See the section [Carrying out the Survey](#) on page 2 of this Newsletter for information on:

- how to select network DSM projects for inclusion in the database;
- how to access and use the on-line data collection form.

PURPOSE OF THE SURVEY

I will review the information contained in the database to identify the DSM measures used in the projects. The list of identified measures will be circulated to the Experts for their comments and feedback before it is finalised.

The next step, which comprises Subtask 2 of Task XV, will be to analyse the information contained in the database to determine the factors which lead to particular network-driven DSM measures being successful in cost-effectively achieving network-related objectives.

This analysis will be started at the next Task XV Experts meeting, to be held in mid-April. Therefore, it is important that everyone starts entering project information into the on-line forms as soon as possible.

The aim is to have completed forms for not less than **five** network DSM projects from each participating country by the end of March, and not less than **10** projects by the end of April.

Of course, information about more projects than these minimum requirements will be very welcome and will add to the effectiveness of Task XV.

NEXT EXPERTS MEETING

The next Task XV Experts meeting will be held at Sophia Antipolis in the French Riviera on Tuesday and Wednesday 12th and 13th April. Further information is available from Frédéric Rosenstein at: frederic.rosenstein@ademe.fr



CARRYING OUT THE SURVEY

How to Select Network DSM Projects

In selecting network DSM projects for inclusion in the survey, the aim is to end up with a range of different types of project, rather than projects which are all similar.

Please choose projects which demonstrate differences in the following project characteristics (see the data collection form for more details):

- the type of project implementor;
- the project purpose;
- the timing of the project;
- the project focus;
- the project objective;
- the project target;
- the DSM measure(s) used;
- the specific technology used;
- the market segment(s) addressed.

How to Access the On-Line Data Collection Form

First, access the Task XV website at:

<http://dsm.iea.org/NewDSM/Work/Tasks/15/task15.asp>

Then go to the Experts secure site by clicking the “Experts’ site” link in the left-hand navigation pane. This will bring you to a login screen.

The IEA DSM Programme Webmaster sent you an email containing your login and password some time ago. If you don’t have your login and password, please contact the Webmaster at: verity@ijnnet.nl.

Once you have entered the Experts site, you can access a blank data collection form by clicking the “Data Collection Form1” link under “Subtask 1”.

Completing the Form

Completing the data collection form is quite straightforward and involves clicking on “radio buttons” or entering text into boxes.

Please try to include as much detailed information about each network DSM project as possible.

If you don’t have the information necessary to complete part of the form, initially leave it blank. However, please try to find out the missing information and enter it later.

When you have completed the initial data entry, save the form by clicking on the button at the end of the form.

Minor Changes Possible

The overall content and design of the data collection form has been finalised. However, it is possible that minor changes and improvements may be made as we gain experience in using the form.

I will notify you about any such changes through messages placed on the Task XV Experts Comment Group on the website. These messages will also be sent to you by email.

Access Rules for the On-line Database

All Task XV people can view any of the saved forms. However, only the “author” of the form and the Operating Agent can retrieve a saved form to add or change information. Only the Operating Agent can delete a saved form.

Good Luck!

Good luck in identifying and selecting network DSM projects for inclusion in the database! I look forward to seeing the results of your work.

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THE ROLE OF COUNTRY EXPERTS

International Energy Agency Tasks (research projects) are undertaken collaboratively under the management of an 'Operating Agent' (Project Director). The Operating Agent is responsible for overall management of the Task, including deliverables, milestones, schedule, budget and communications.

The actual research work for a Task is carried out by a combination of the Operating Agent and a group of Country Experts, depending on the nature of the work to be carried out. Each country which is participating in a Task nominates one person as its Expert. Each Expert is responsible for carrying out any research work within his/her country which is required for the Task.

All Country Experts for a Task meet regularly to review and assess the progress of the work completed by the Operating Agent and by the group of Experts. Experts meetings are usually held between two and four times a year on a rotational basis in one of the countries participating in the Task including, on occasions, in Australia.

THE ROLE OF TASK XV AUSTRALIAN EXPERT

The Task XV research work to be carried out in Australia is shared between the eight participating organisations. The Australian Expert ensures that this work is completed and also attends the Task XV Experts meetings.

The time spent by the Expert on Task XV work is not paid by the Australian IEA Consortium, but the Consortium will pay the cost of travel to Experts meetings.

ONE MORE AUSTRALIAN EXPERT NEEDED

At a meeting held in Sydney on 15 September 2004, it was agreed that four of the eight organisations participating in Task XV would share the role of Australian Expert over the 18 month period.

Unfortunately, no-one was available to take up the role immediately, so I, as the Operating Agent, acted as the Australian Expert for the first period October 2004 to February 2005. Also, Harry Schaap was able to attend the first Task XV Experts meeting in October to represent the participating organisations.

Now, two people have stepped forward to take up the role for the second and third periods:

- **Neil Gordon** from EnergyAustralia will be the Task XV Australian Expert from March to July 2005 and will attend the second Experts meeting in April;
- **Harry Schnapp** from TransGrid will be the Expert from August to December 2005 and will attend the third Experts meeting in October.

We now need a third person to take up the role of Australian Expert for the period January to April 2006 and to attend the fourth, and concluding, Experts meeting in April 2006.

Please contact me at: crossley@efa.com.au if you are interested.