

De-Risking the Deployment of HVDC Projects at The National HVDC Centre

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RTDS SPOTLIGHT Series

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The National HVDC Centre



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Tools

RTDS and HiL environment
(Enhanced Testing, Multi- Device Grid Integration, Protection & Control system, modification acceptance, post event investigation validation analysis)

Simulation environment (RTDS->EMT->RMS)
(Validation, Benchmarking, analysis)

Systems

Collaboration
(models, analysis, direction)

Codes, Standards, R&D
(expert input, workstream support)

Skills

Structured Training
(Webinars, Courses, Application & Implementation)

Control training
(Operator Certification, Scenario Planning, Updates)

Research dissemination
(Analysis Techniques, Risk Quantification, Solution Definition)

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Development of HVDC Connections in GB

Current HVDC in GB

7 HVDC Links - Totalling: 8 GW

Future HVDC in GB

Up to 34 HVDC Links - Totalling: 45.45 GW

Interconnectors:

- 1) Cross Channel (IFA)
- 2) Moyle
- 3) BritNed
- 4) EWIC

New Interconnector:

- 5) Nemo

New Embedded Links:

- 6) Caithness – Moray
- 7) Western Link

New Island Links

- 8) Shetland
- 9) Western Isles

New Interconnectors

- 12) ElecLink
- 13) NSL
- 14) Aquind
- 15) Viking
- 16) GreenLink
- 17) NorthConnect
- 18) IFA2
- 19) Fablink
- 20) NeuConnect
- 21) Gridlink

New Offshore Wind Connections

- 31) Dogger Bank
- 32) Norfolk Vanguard
- 34) Sofia

New Embedded Links

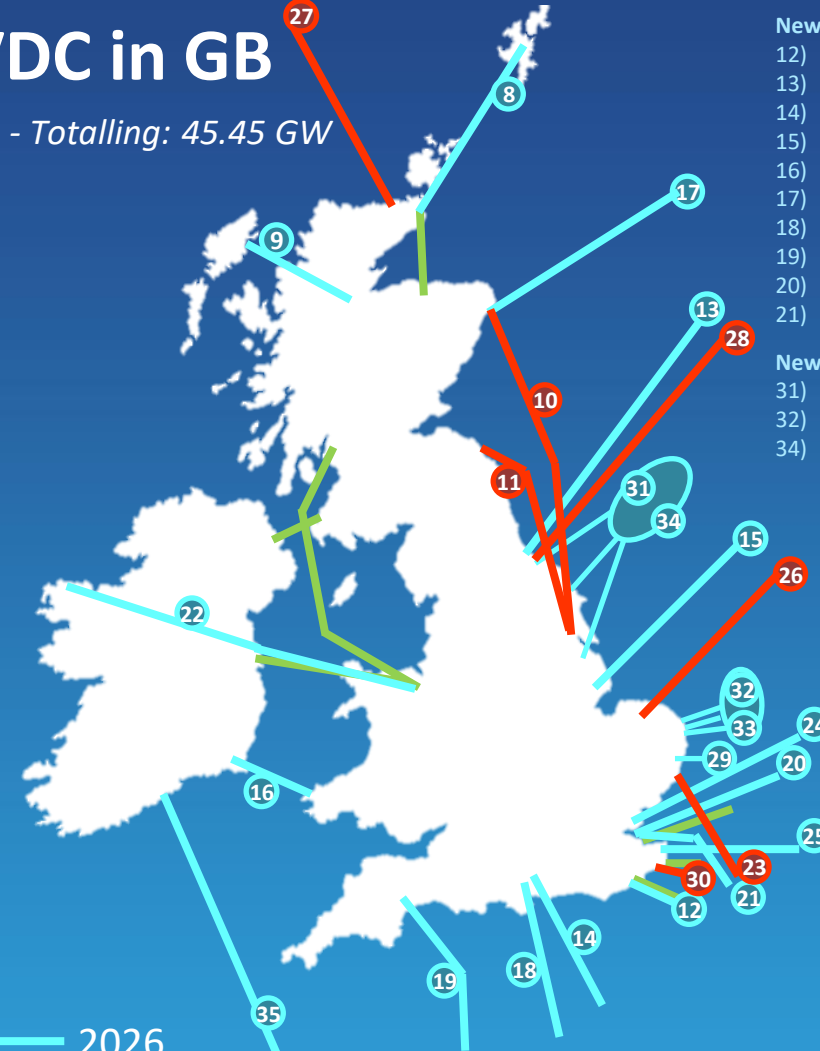
- 10) Eastern Link 2
- 11) Eastern Link 1

Additional Interconnectors

- 26) Aminth
- 27) Atlantic Super Connection
- 28) Continental Link



— 2018
— 2019

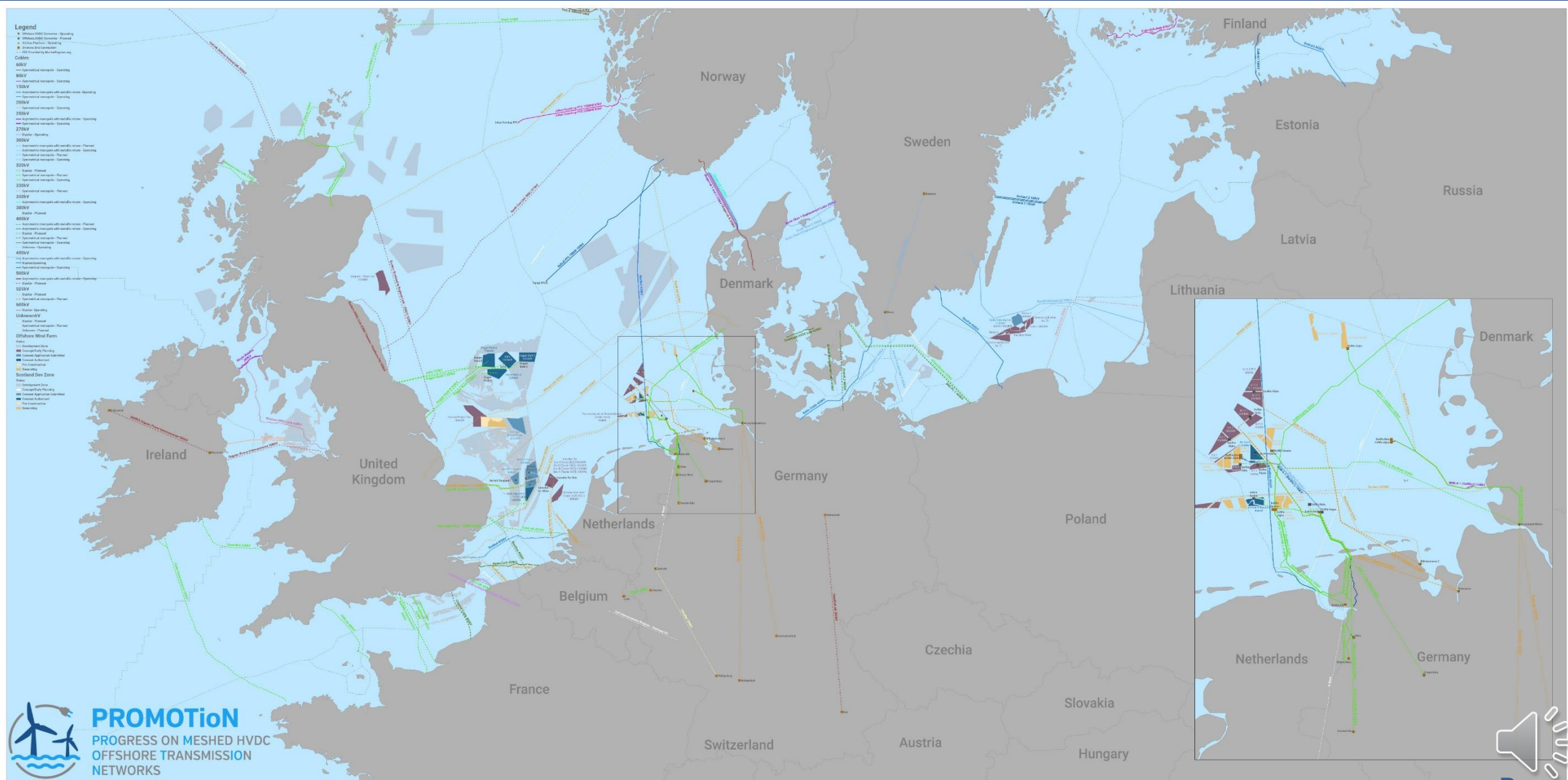


— 2026
— 2027+
— 2028+

Source: National Grid Interconnector Register 01 08 2019

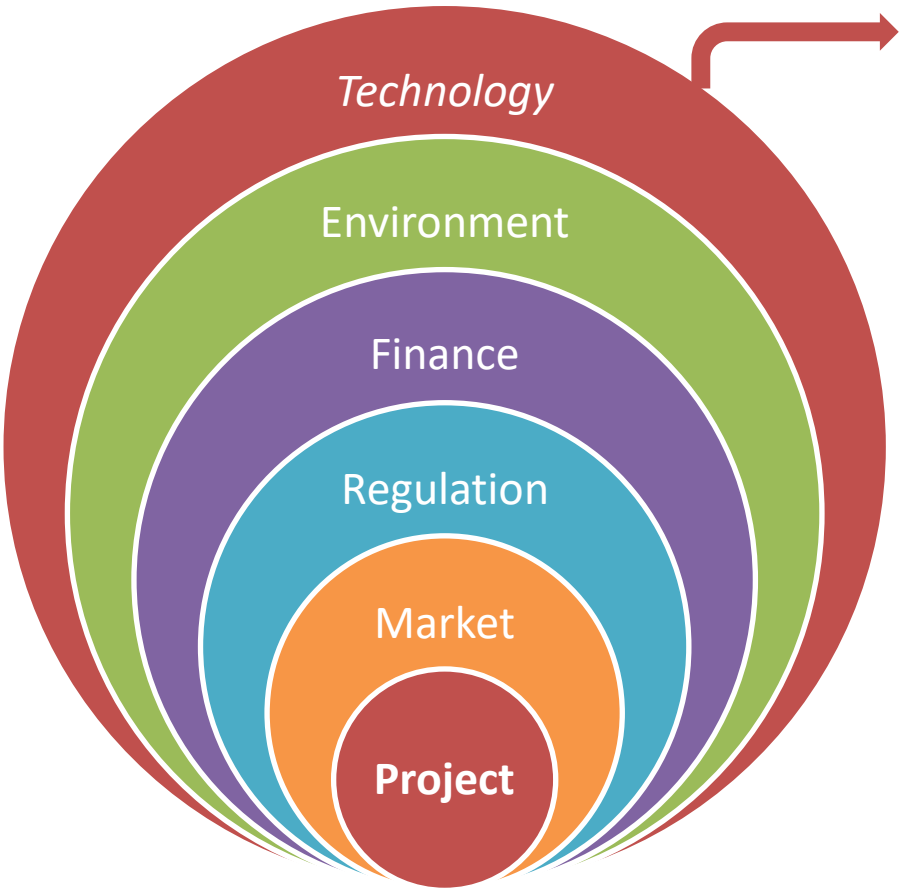


Beyond GB



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❑ **Function**

- Embedded
- Interconnector
- Generation connection
- Hybrid

❑ **Project lotting**

- Turn key?

❑ **Technology**

- LCC
- VSC
- Other

❑ **Topology**

- Symmetrical monopole
- Bi-pole
- Bi-pole with metallic return

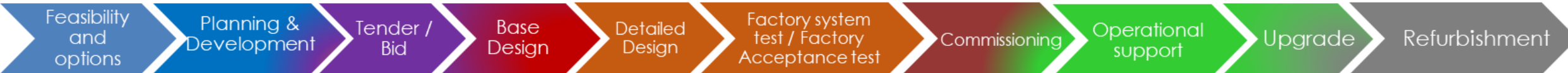
❑ **Rating**

- State-of-the-art?

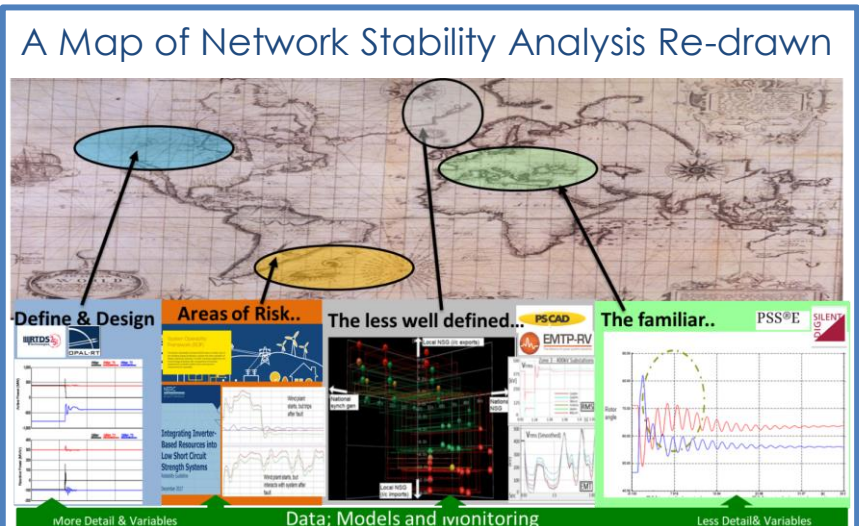
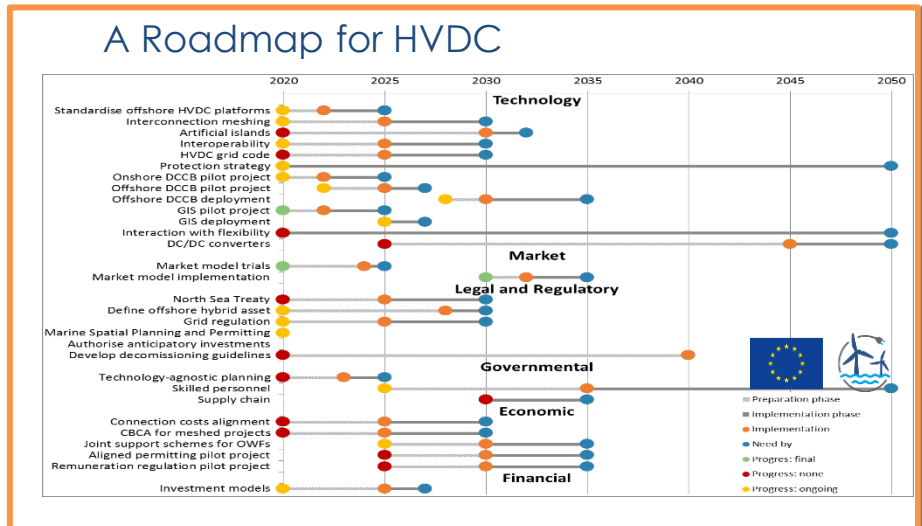
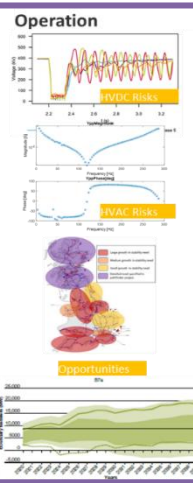
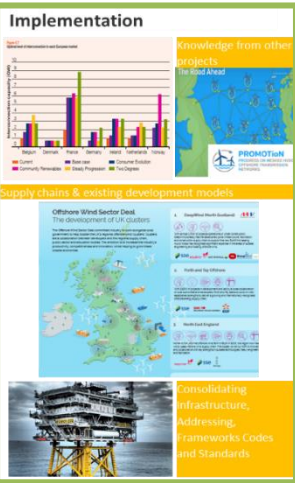
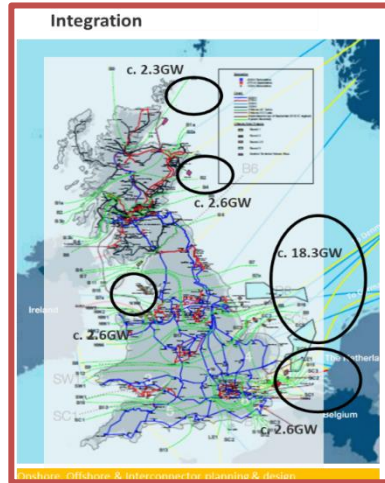
❑ **Compliance (i.e Grid Code)**

- P-Q
- Fault infeed / ride-through
- Harmonics

❑ **System Integration**



- ❑ Collaboration is required at different levels to successfully:
 - De-risk HVDC deployment across onshore and offshore applications;
 - Integrate HVDC into electricity networks rich in converter-based sources; and
 - Develop HVDC devices, standards and codes in an optimised way.



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Use of RTDS® along with Replicas can be part of the solution

- ❑ International experience has shown RTDS and replica controls allow you to fully address interactions
 - Multiple facilities globally in operation doing this kind of work
- ❑ Physical hardware housed at a trusted 3rd party facility inherently manages IP
- ❑ Benefits across the lifetime of an HVDC system



RTDS
Technologies

ABB



Caithness



Moray



Shetland

HVDC Replicas

MITSUBISHI ELECTRIC



PROMOTION IEDs



Control Hardware



Protection Relays



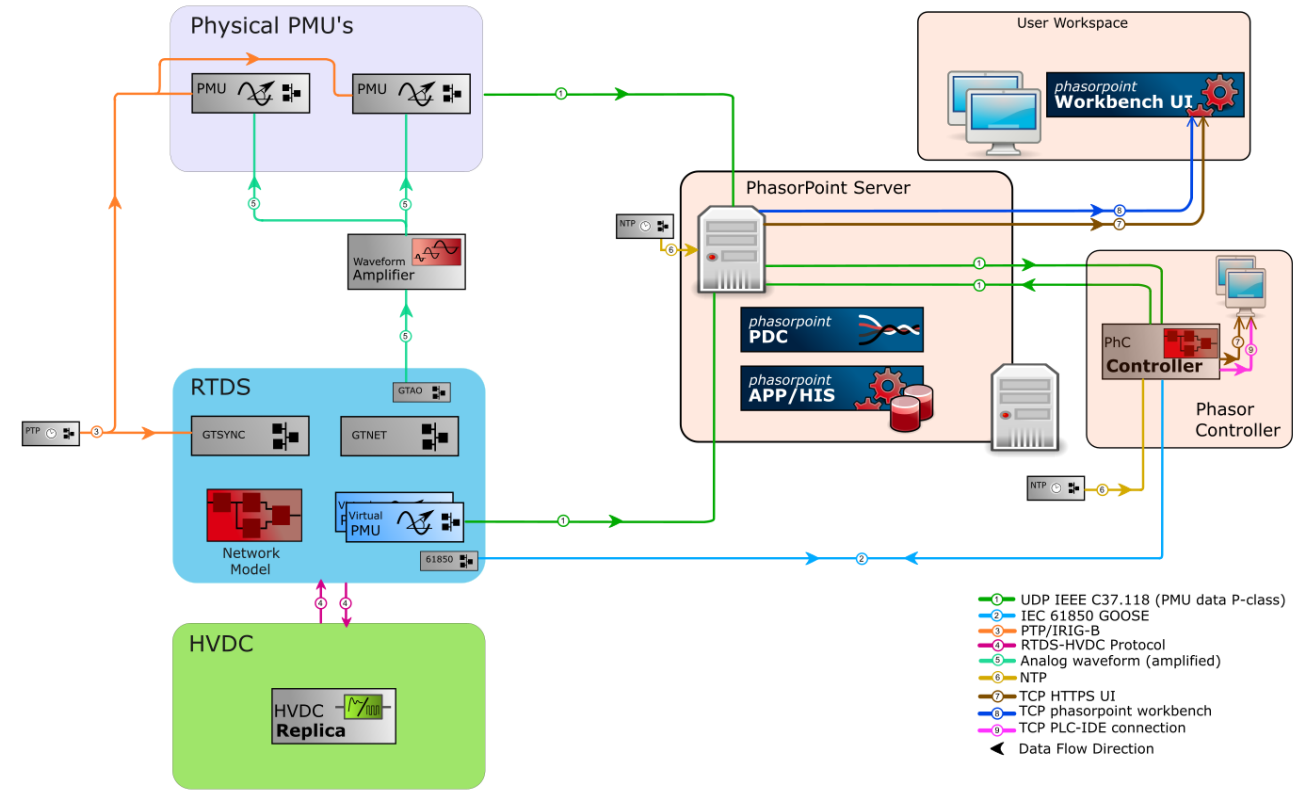
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Phasor Point

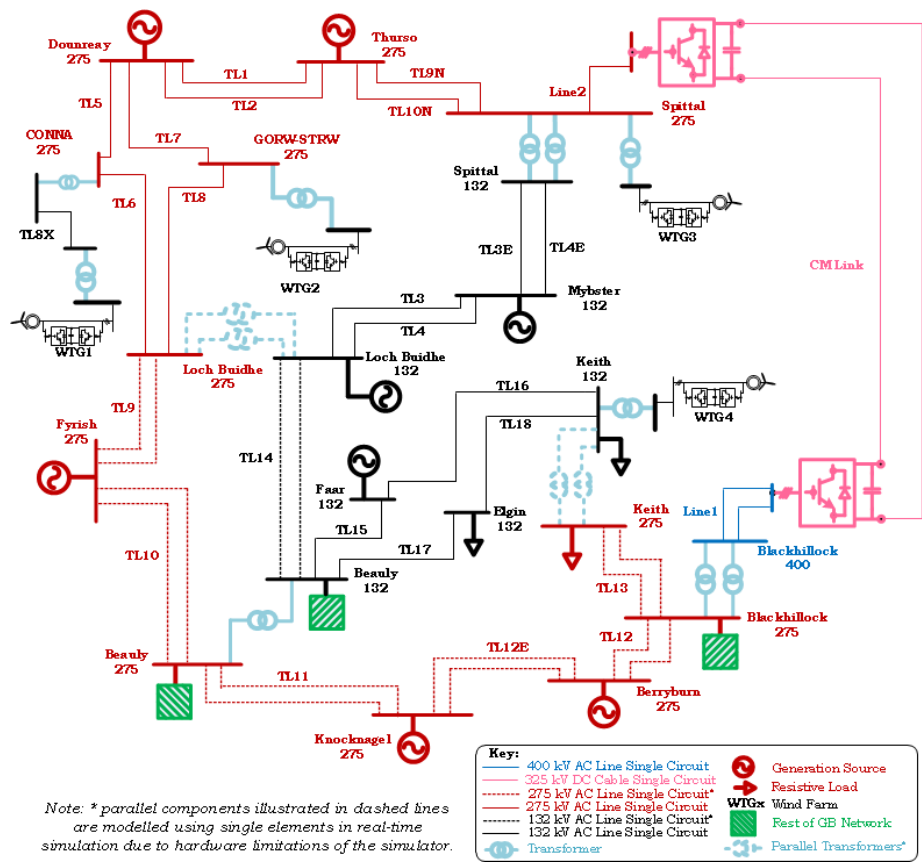
□ National Innovation Allowance (NIA) Funded Project

- The Phaser Point project is part of SSEN Innovation program – SSEN, GE , HVDC Centre are project partners
- This Project Aims to estimate the system strength using GE’s WAMPAC technology - Phaser Point Wide Area Monitoring System (WAMS) + PhaserController.
- As part of this project HIL testing of the WAMS along with physical and simulated PMU would be done



- ❑ **Modelled** North of Scotland AC Network in RSCAD
- ❑ **PMU:** Both physical PMU and Simulated RSCAD PMU would be used to send information to the PhaserPoint WAMS
- ❑ **System Strength** PhasorController would calculate the system strength of the North of Scotland Network based on the inputs from PMU .
- ❑ **Mode Change In CMS Replica:** The system strength estimation would be used as a input to CMS replica to change the operation mode of the CM link.

Simplified North of Scotland Network Modelled using RTDS



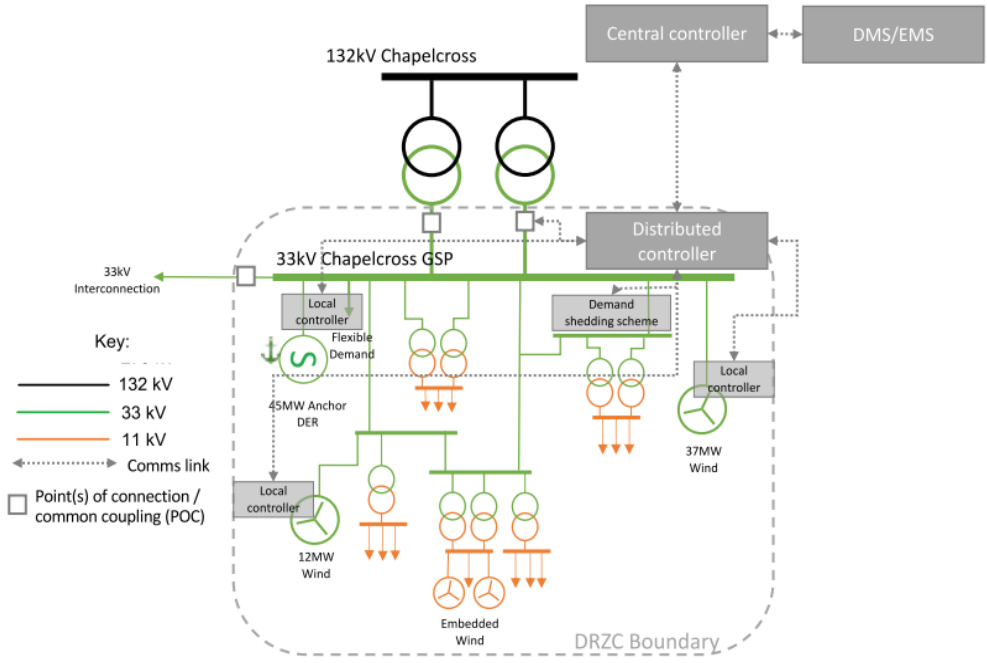
Distributed ReStart

□ National Innovation Competition (NIC) Funded Project

- National Grid ESO, Scottish Power Energy Networks, TNEI are Project Partners

□ Distributed Energy Resources (DER) – Restore Power

- System studies –Restoration Strategy
- Transformer energization and Block Load Pick up
- Development of Wide area controller
- Protection studies
- Ensuring the performance of Anchor Generator (DER)
- Connecting other non Anchor DER
- Live Field Trails

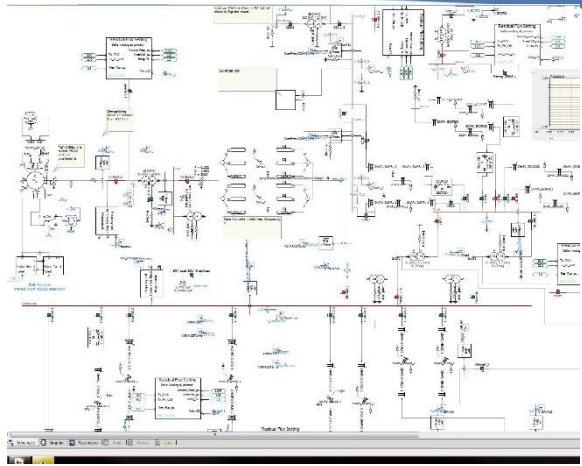


RTDS Model development

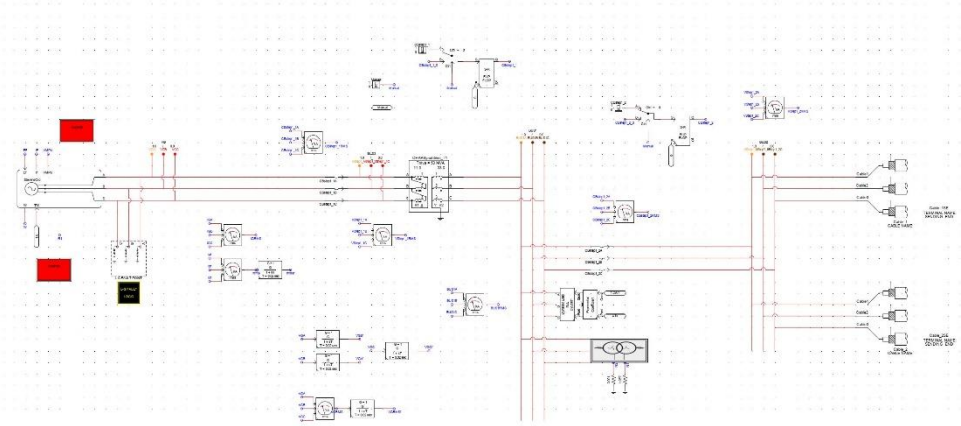
- Import the Chapel cross network Model from PSCAD to RSCAD
- Enhance the Anchor Generator Model along with protections and other details
- Further expansion of RSCAD model to include other part of network

RSCAD Studies & HIL Testing

- Energization Studies
 - 33kV/132kV Transformer energization
 - 132kV Circuit Energization
 - 132/400kV SGT energization
- RTDS HIL Testing
 - Generator Protection Testing
 - Distributed Wide area controller Testing



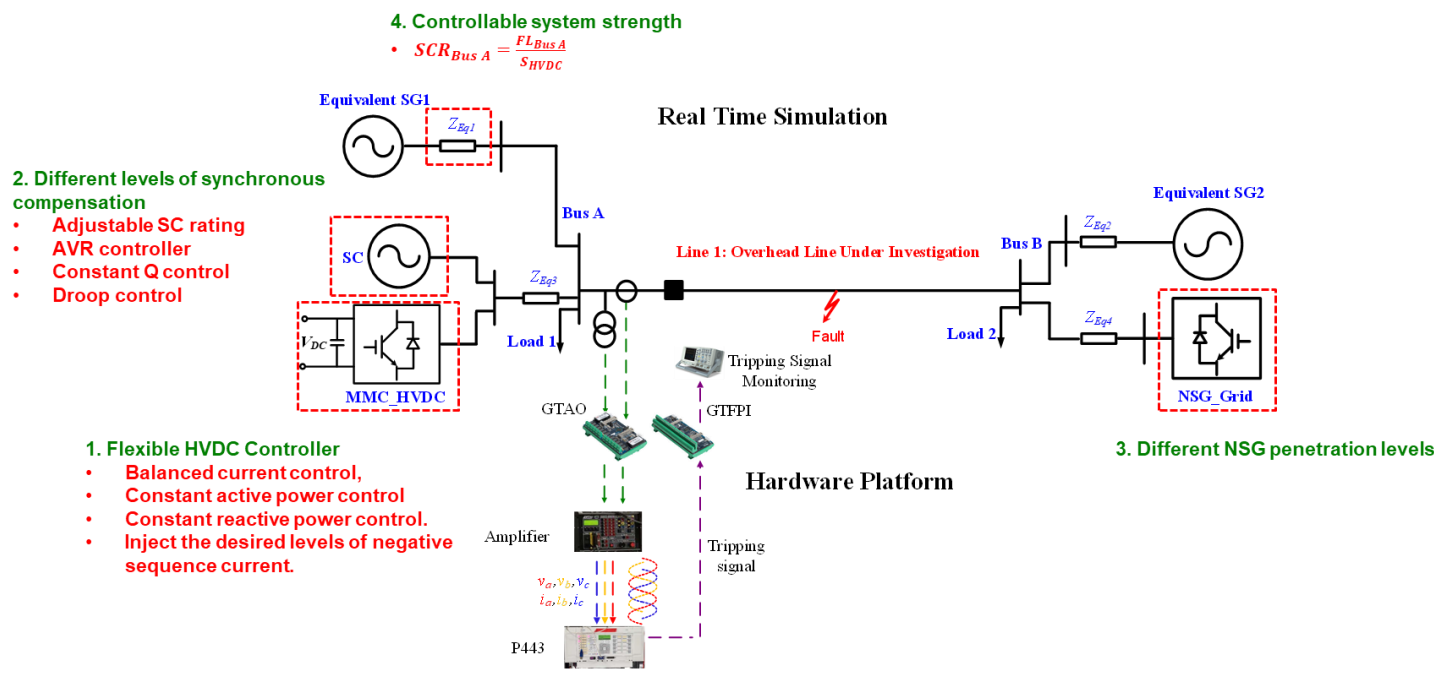
PSCAD to RSCAD



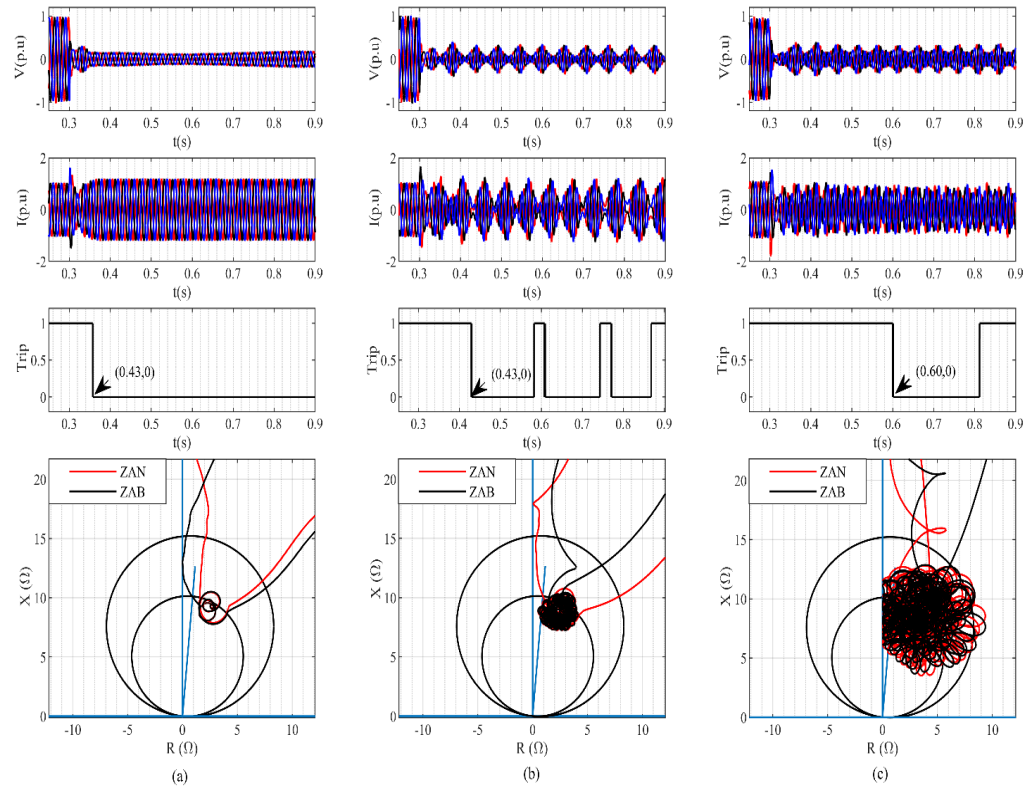
Protection Test Bench

□ This project is part HVDC Centre research and innovation program for the year 2020

- This project is done by University of Strathclyde in coordination with the HVDC Centre.
- This project aims to create a test bench in RSCAD that could be used to test the effect of HVDC Converters, Non-Synchronous Generators and Synchronous condenser on AC protection



- Developed Benchmark model was used to test the Distance protection
- The Test Bench RSCAD model has the full flexibility to adjust modes and level of contributions from the HVDC Converter, NSG and the synchronous condenser.
- Effect of system strength along the with change in the levels of HVDC Converter, NSG and SC can be seen in the polar impedance plots.



Thanks for listening.

Any questions, please?

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