# DG Forum - Cardiff



**DNO Overview** 

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## Agenda

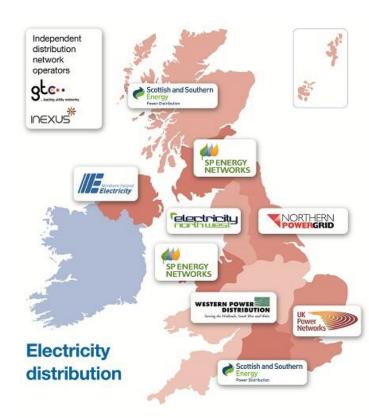


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### Role of ENA



- ENA activities provide key support for member companies and help to promote the introduction of new initiatives through joint working.
- The key documents are subject to Distribution Code Review Panel governance, which is supported by the ENA.
- These Engineering Documents support important initiatives including the drive to low-carbon networks through the connection of distributed generation. They will need to be further expanded to assist the development of smart grids.



## **ENA Highlights**



- Small scale/domestic generation (ER G83/1)
  - Has been modified to account for new generation types
  - Currently awaiting Ofgem sign off
  - Interim exemption for generation that doesn't quite comply (Distribution Code Guidance Note 2)
  - Proposed exemption for Stirling engined domestic CHP (Distribution Code Guidance Note 3)
- Type testing
  - Establishment of a Industry Stakeholder Working Group to review the Type
    Testing requirements for distributed generation (ER G59 and ER G83)
  - Establishment of a ENA database for collation of DG manufactures Type Testing
    Verification Reports
  - To recommend to the DCRP amendments to ER G59/2 as a result of G83/2 consequential changes and the work of the Type testing WG;

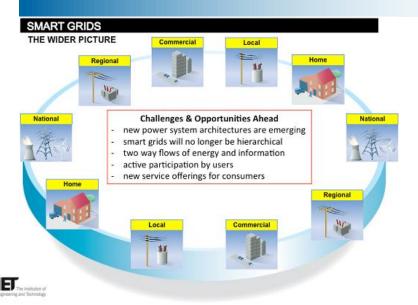
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- Contribution to policy and standards development here and abroad to preserve customer friendly approach in GB:
  - DG Connection Guide Workshop to be held in Nov 2012.
  - GB input into development of EU Network Codes, with the objective of minimising new costs and complexity in GB
  - ER L44 Separation between Wind Turbines and Overhead Lines: Principles of Good Practice;
  - Acted as liaison between clients, installers and DNOs with regard to issues of concern or clarification relating to G59, G83 and other DG related matters;
  - Engaged with UK Stakeholders on the development of European Standards ie
    recent review of EN 50438 to ensure it is no more onerous than G59

#### **Smart Grids Forum**





- ENA is engaged in European developments and is represented on the smart grids working group set up by the European electricity industry association, Eurelectric
- DNOs also represented on the DECC/Ofgem **Smart Grid Forum** which is considering how a Smart Grid could be introduced to support the transition to a low carbon economy.

There are six Work Streams under the forum and in particular:

- WS1 Assumptions and scenarios
  - led by DECC, to establish the assumptions and scenarios necessary for the network companies to produce business plans that are consistent with DECC's low carbon transition.
- WS3 Developing Networks for Low Carbon
  - led by the DNOs, this work models the network impacts of the assumptions and scenarios from WS1 and assess the costs and benefits of different smart grids solutions
  - Phase 1 report and Phase 2 model and report have been published and are available from Ofgem's website
- WS5 Ways of Working
  - this work stream is developing knowledge management and dissemination of smart grid developments
- WS6 Commercial and Regulatory
  - brings together stakeholders to investigate the commercial and regulatory challenges of implementing the smart grid solutions (including demand side response).
  - The work stream published a report in August 2012

### RIIO-ED1



- RIIO-ED1 is the next electricity distribution price control
- It will set the outputs that the 14 DNOs need to deliver for their consumers and the associated revenues they are allowed to collect for the eight-year period from 1 April 2015 to 31 March 2023.
- This will be the first electricity distribution price control to reflect the new RIIO (Revenue = Incentives + Innovation + Outputs) model.
- Ofgem have set out, for consultation, the key elements of the regulatory framework that the DNOs will need to understand in order to develop their business plans.

Figure 1.1: Map of RIIO-ED1 Strategy Consultation documents



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