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RES Integration and Flexibility Key enabler for the energy transition Oct 21st 2021

the value chain

edp EDP is a global clean energy company, present in 20 countries throughout different stages of



Excludes Viesgo 1.

2. Energy and services clients

Note: Excluding contribution from disposed portfolios in 2020 (6 hydro plants, B2C portfolio and 2 CCGTs in Spain). Excludes Viesgo in 2020.

EDP NEW stands for R&D in energy, through international collaboration and competitive EU funding



- Core focus in the Energy Sector
- Create possibilities for the EDP Group
 - ... towards the energy transition

Sustainable growing operation

- Financial sustainability
- Sustainable growth
- 32 Researchers as of today (~40 by YE2021)

Knowledge consolidation & transfer

- Knowledge teams
- Catalyst for technical experts for EDP
- Knowledge exchange initiatives with EDP/community



³ The H2020 Company

- #1 Company in Portugal in projects in H2020
- Activity in EU R&D scene
- "Place to go" for H2020, Green Deal, Horizon EU, etc.

Foster strategic partnerships

- R&D cooperation with EDP/CTG Business Units (BUs)
- External Innovation Ecosystem including Universities, R&D, Industry, Technology, etc.





An umbilical connection with EDP Labelec enhances cutting-edge testing facilities for future energy systems

EDP Labelec

- State-of-the-art testing & laboratory facilities covering electrical, chemical & environmental areas
- > Provision of laboratorial & consultancy services (e.g. grid studies, smart metering testing & validation)
- New grid integration facility: SmartLab as a testing hub for technology demonstration & validation (e.g. microgrids, smart grid technologies, battery technologies, PV systems, EV charging)



Vision

Create multiple technology testing hubs for EDP in collaboration between EDP Labelec and EDP NEW



The world is facing unprecedented challenges

~**10** Bn

world population in 2050 (+25% vs. today)

~50% energy consumption increase by 2050



temperature increase in this century



Up to **1** Bn

environmental migrants by 2050

Up to **2.5** m

sea level rise, threatening >600 cities by 2100

> >7% GDP per capita at stake in this century



... and needs to be transformed

We need a new decarbonized and electrified world...



... in which a new energy sector is required

~95%

renewables share in power generation in 2050 -100% coal phase-out

in global power

by 2050

Clean

Affordable



global electricity demand growth by 2050 Zerocarbon

power sector by 2050 Reliable

EDP is stepping up to the challenge with its ambitious "All green by 2030" strategy, just recently presented



By 2025

€24 Bn CAPEX in energy transition

4 GW/yr renewables deployed

Double solar+wind installed capacity

Coal free

By 2030

>50 GW

100% renewables generation

100% energy transition EBITDA

Carbon neutral





There is no silver bullet, but there is a growing consensus on the key energy innovation drivers towards a sustainable energy transition



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Beyond "conventional" wind and PV technologies there is a myriad of new avenues being explored: core R&D focus on emerging generation, advanced O&M, hybridization



RES Generation solutions

(Floating) Offshore Wind





Floating PV concepts



Innov. PV generation, enhanced / cheaper BIPV, CSP

Ocean (wave, tidal, OTEC) energy (?)

Advanced O&M and support tools

Robotized and autonomous maintenance and Inspections for on/offshore wind & PV, reducing OPEX, Increasing the safety



Digital data-based tools for better RES asset management (e.g digital twins towards advanced predictive

(e.g digital twins towards advanced predictive Maintenance, enhanced performance of PV / wind, etc.)

RES Hybridization and Green H2

Hybrid RE power plants (floating offshore wind + ocean energy, e.g.) with advanced energy management systems



Renewable Hydrogen as feedstock and e-fuels

Hybrid electricity and heating solutions



Electrochemical Gamification **Renewable** generation Li-ion batteries Client provides flexibility based on: Price signals Improved Advantages for Flywheels network electricity market Efficiency tips management and trading Still new technologies emerging system balancing with lower costs and higher Tokens Reserve planning Efficient energy densities (e.g. NiZn) and operation placement of renewables management Heat Automated Demand Higher efficiency and more Artificial intelligence capable of recognizing Allowing for an optimal management of the flexibility for sanitary and heating patterns and optimize clients' assets system and understanding clients' needs hot water needs

Virtual Power Plant

- Cloud-based power plant capable of aggregating different distributed energy resources
- Optimization module capable of potentiate each individual resource

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Power Systems 101 – Supply must equal demand at all time... or else...



Supply > Demand => Freq. rise

Supply < Demand => Freq. drop



2 Renewably energy generation is variable across time... Just a random day (1/10/2021) in Portugal... difficult to match estimates with real life



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A systemic approach is envisaged, managing different green generation technologies / sources and diverse flexibility resources



With several ongoing or recently secured projects in the areas of Renewables integration and flexibility



GreenH2Sines -

Full-scale demonstration of green hydrogen production

Development and demonstration of a first-of-a-kind 100 MW alkaline electrolyser powered by renewables plants to be installed in Sines, Portugal

Project Budget | 77 M€

Timeline | Nov21 – Oct27*

Consortium | 13 partners

Coordinated by EDP



AI4PV

Artificial Intelligence in PV plants

Increasing the performance and optimizing O&M actions in PV plants using Artificial Intelligence tools to build digital twins

Project Budget | 1 M€

Timeline | Jul21 – Jun23*

Consortium | 4 partners

Coordinated by EDP NEW, Demos in EDPR's plant in Portugal



EU-SCORES

Hybrid offshore renewables farms

Demonstration of multi-source parks across different European sea basins including Wind, floating PV, ocean energy and H2

Project Budget | 46 M€

Timeline | Sep21 - Aug25*DeConsortium | 17 partners

Demo in Portugal with WFA





Decarbonization of geographical islands

Demonstrate solutions to increase islands' overall energy and resource efficiency. Demos in Terceira (Azores) and Ameland (NL)

Budget | 7M€ Timeline | Oct 20 – Sep 24 Consortium | 34 partners

Coordinated by EDP NEW



EU-SYSFLEX

Flexibility as an enabler for more Renewables

Develop and demonstrate the role of flexibility from different sources to enable higher levels of Renewables in the European power system. 2 demos in PT: FlexHub and Virtual Power Plant

Budget | 25M€

Timeline | Nov 17 – Feb 22 Consortium | 34 partners



EDP NEW – R&D project portfolio – EU-SysFlex project

EU-SysFlex is a good example of large R&D and Industry collaboration towards the implementation of a RES-driven Europe

OBJECTIVES

- Enable high share of variable RES (>50%)
- Identify scarcities and needs including system services and resources;
- Coordination of flexibility resources
- Develop a "flexibility roadmap"

KEY FACTS

- 34 partners including TSOs, DSOs, Research, technology, including: EDP (PT), EDF (FR), EirGrid (IE), Imperial College (UK), Siemens (DE), INESC TEC (PT)
- ENTSO-E, EDSO, Eurelectric, REN on the *Advisory Board*
- 6 Demos (Portugal, Finland, Italy, Germany, France, Baltics)
- Project budget: 25 M€ H2020 Financing of ~20M€
- Implementation **2017**-2022



*The stars indicate the location of the 6 demos

EDP NEW - R&D project portfolio - EU-SysFlex project

In the pursuit of the complementarity between variable and controllable generation lies important part of the RES integration challenge – the VPP



Combining different units' outputs...

...to act as one single unit



EDP NEW – R&D project portfolio – EU-SysFlex project

Portuguese demonstrator designed and built a virtual power plant, integrating RES portfolio and otimizing wind / hydro generation



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Final remarks

- Word and humanity are at risk. Immediate action is needed
- EDP is taking action, in a decarbonization path since 2005, but accelerating towards "All Green by 2030"
- Business as usual or incremental innovation will not solve the challenge
- There is no silver bullet but innovation, R&D namely in Renewable Energy and Managing RES Variability are key to achieve 2030 targets and beyond
- Integrated management of variable and controllable renewable energy generation is key to achieve the needed seamless RES integration
- R&DandINDUSTRYwide collaboration is paramount
- With a portfolio of 30+ R&D projects, some in partnership with U. Évora, EDP NEW is helping create possibilities to be a front runner in the Energy transition journey

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