# The National HVDC Centre @ the LCNI Conference 2019















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#### The National HVDC Centre at LCNI 2019

The National HVDC Centre is an Ofgem funded simulation and training facility available to support the deployment and derisking of all GB HVDC schemes.



12.00 on Day 1 (30<sup>th</sup> October)

15.30 on Day 1 (30<sup>th</sup> October)

12.00 on Day 2 (31st October)









# **HVDC in GB** (2019)

7 HVDC Links - Totalling: 8 GW

# **HVDC in GB** (2028)

Up to 34 HVDC Links - Totalling: 45.45 GW





## **HVDC Centre:** Building



Located in the centre of Scotland...







...our modern facility provides a bespoke simulation environment.





## **HVDC Centre:** Technology











**Caithness** 













**HVDC** Replicas

Moray

Control Hardware

**Protection Relays** 



### **HVDC Centre Team**





**Ben Marshall**HVDC Technology Manager



Simon Marshall
Centre Manager



**Ruth Apps**Business Development Manager



Colin Cameron
ICT Engineer



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Lead Simulation Engineer



**Dr Oluwole Daniel Adeuyi**Simulation Engineer



**Habibur Raham** Simulation Engineer



Bharath Ponnalagan
Simulation Engineer



#### 1. Overview

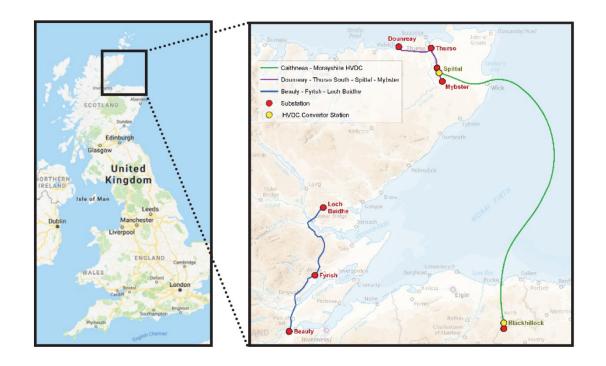
### 2. 5 Main Projects

- Caithness-Moray Support
- HVDC for Black Start
- NSL Protection Coordination Testing
- Stability Pathfinder
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## **Caithness-Moray Support**



Supporting the development, commissioning and ongoing operation of Europe's first multi-terminal project.



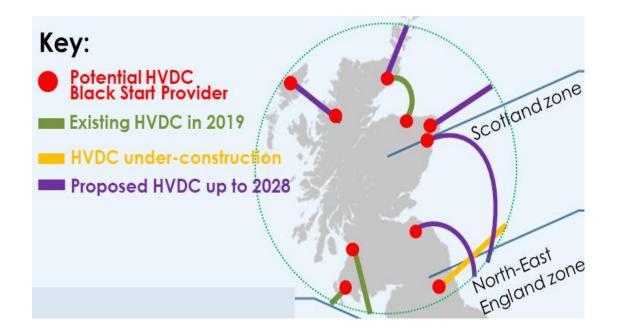
Commissioned by: Scottish & Southern Electricity Networks



### **HVDC for Black Start**



Maximising the use of HVDC schemes to improve Black Start and system energisation.



**Commissioned by:** 

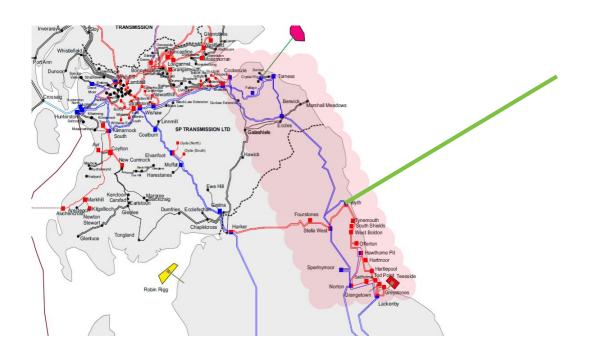




### **NSL Protection Coordination Testing**



The HVDC Centre is supporting the protection co-ordination testing for the new HVDC North Sea Link interconnector to ensure the security and resilience of the GB electricity network.





Commissioned by: national grid &

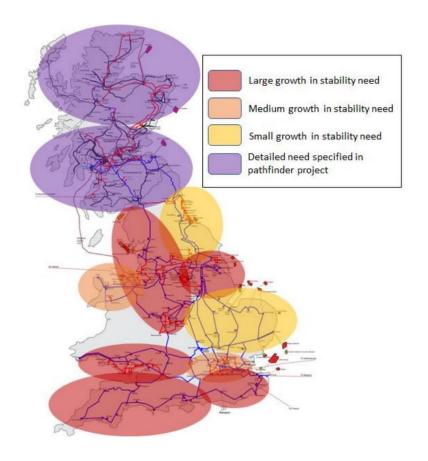




## **Stability Pathfinder**



Utilising HVDC to improve the stability of the electricity network.



Commissioned by: nationalgridESO



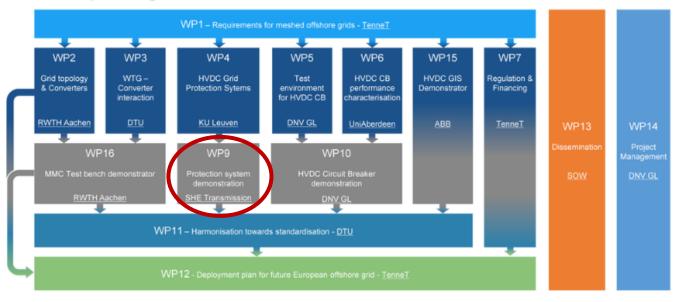
### **PROMOTION**





PROMOTioN - Project organisation

#### Work packages



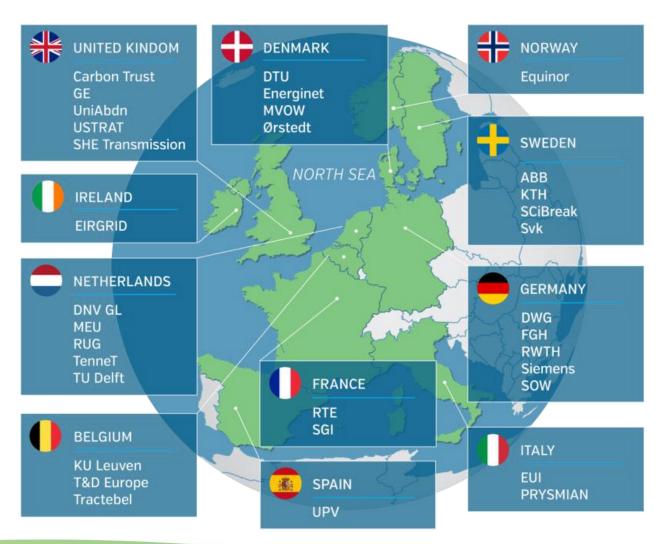




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### **Research Programme**



# Completed Innovation Projects

Developing Open-Source Converter Models



Stability assessment for co-located converters



Design of DC/DC Converter



# **Current Innovation Projects**

Coordination of AC network protection during energization



Stability assessment and mitigation converter interactions

For HVDC

Improving Grid Code



Strathclyde

# Future Innovation Projects

Investigation of Power Oscillation Damping Controls

Complementing HVDC with synchronous condensers/ancillary equipment

Assessment of AC protection performance with HVDC

#### Future Potential NIC Project

Whole System Functional Acceptance Testing



## **Training, Engagement & Dissemination**



#### **Training Programme**

- 1) Control Room Training
- 2) Approved RTDS Training Centre
- 3) Introduction to HVDC Training
- 4) HVDC Engineer Training
- 5) PSCAD/PSSE Training



The team presenting at the IET ACDC Conference (5-7 February)



Ian delivering RTDS training (30 April–2 May)



PROMOTioN DC Grid Demonstration Event (22 August)

#### **Working Group Participation**

- 1) IET ACDC Organisation Committee
- 2) OFTOs Working Group (ENA)
- 3) CIGRE (B4.82) Working Group
- 4) Grid Code Expert Working Group
- 5) Annual HVDC Operators' Forum



Dave closing the CM Dissemination Event (28 March)



Daniel presenting at the 2019 HVDC Operators' Forum (26-27 June)





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