

# Offshore Coordination:

How a coordinated approach  
enables net-zero(2 of 4 webinars)

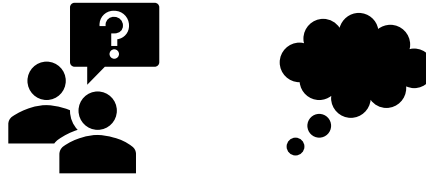
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# Welcome to the HVDC and Climate Change: What is HVDC and why is it important to achieving net-zero Webcast, the first in our series of 4

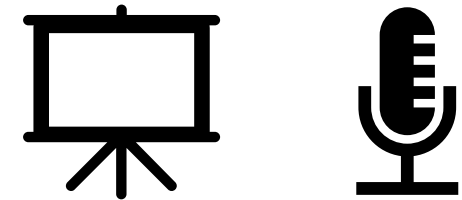
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Questions for speaker will be  
managed using MS Teams  
chat.



This webinar may be  
recorded. Link to slides will  
be shared after the webcast.



Considering a lot of participants are expected, it may not be possible to address all questions or comments live however we will do our best.

## Agenda:

1. Introductions
2. Overview of the HVDC Centre
3. Context
4. Video: **How a coordinated approach to offshore enables net-zero**
5. Panel Discussion

# 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

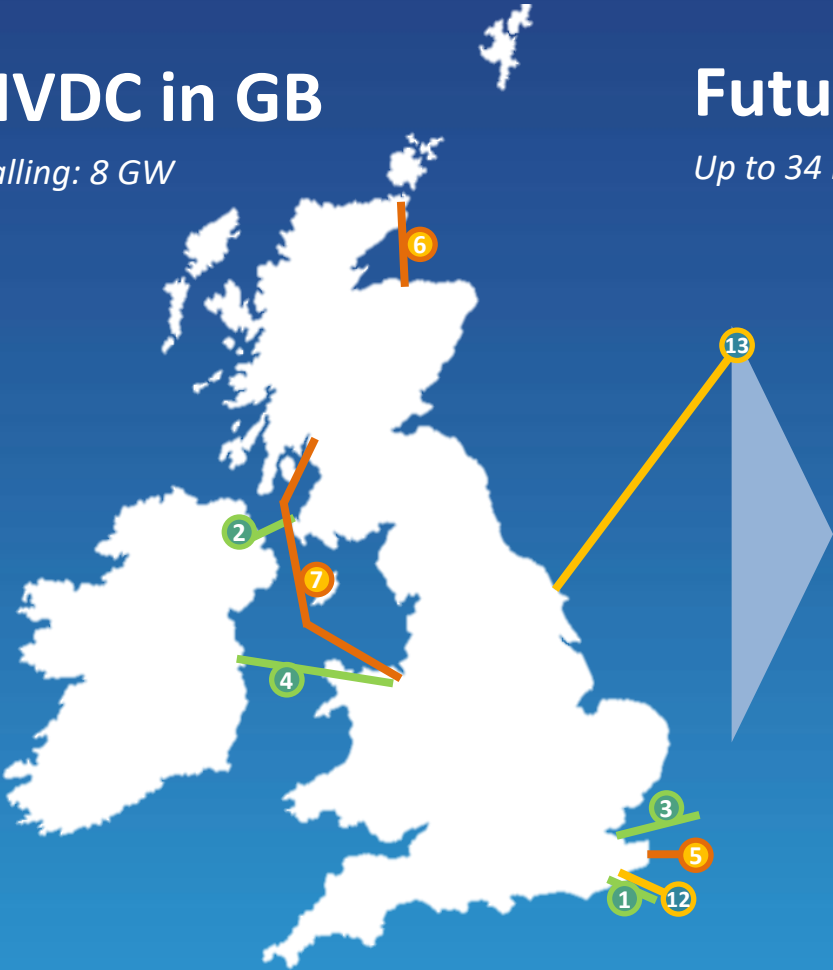
- New Island Links**
- 8) Shetland
  - 9) Western Isles

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

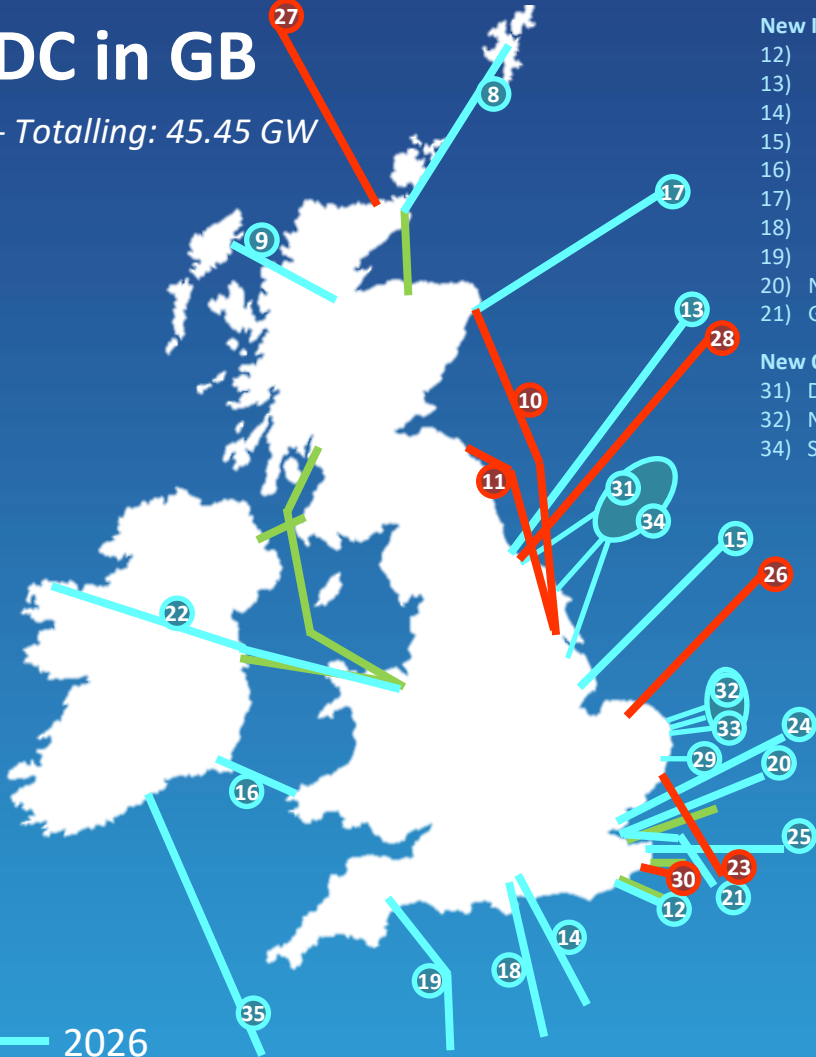
- New Offshore Wind Connections**
- 31) Dogger Bank
  - 32) Norfolk Vanguard
  - 34) Sofia

- 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+

Source: National Grid Interconnector Register 01 08 2019

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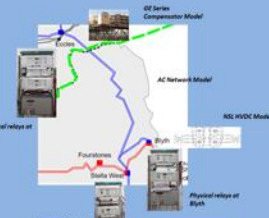






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## Tools

**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)





# Overview of the HVDC Centre: the Team

A team of HVDC experts; providing experience across: academia, system operator, power systems consultancy, transmission innovation and HVDC manufacturers.



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**Recruiting**

Simulation Engineers

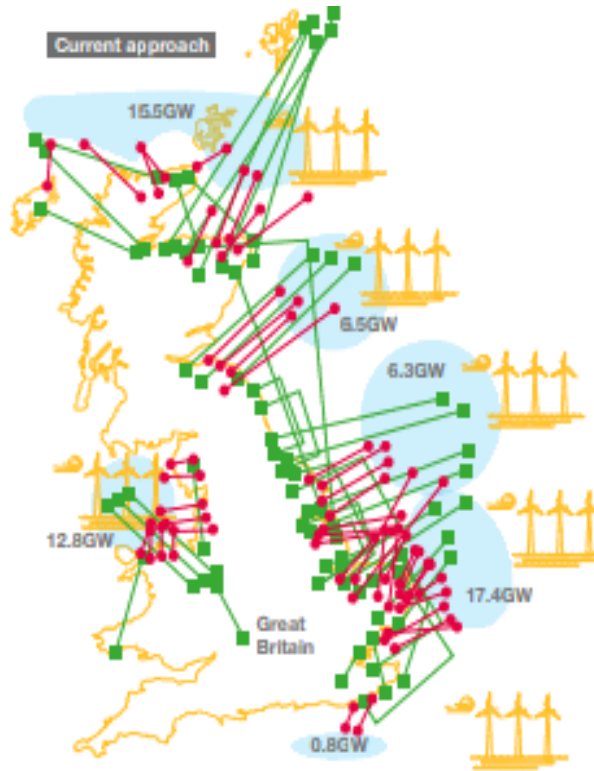
- Meeting the net zero objectives depends on enabling offshore transmission
- The development of offshore transmission networks to-date has been led by individual wind farm developers
- The department for business, energy and industrial strategy (BEIS) is leading an industry consultation on using a more coordinated approach (The Offshore Transmission Network Review – OTNR)
- Ofgem and National Grid ESO are partners in BEIS OTNR, and running consultations on coordinating the development of offshore networks with their stakeholders
- This webinar aims to focus on high level technical concepts surrounding how you would achieve a coordinated offshore network using HVDC solutions

<https://www.gov.uk/government/groups/offshore-transmission-network-review>

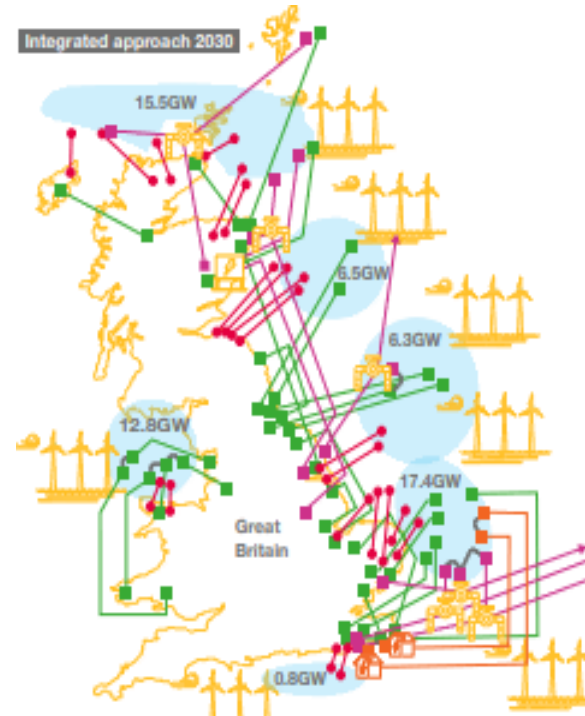
<https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/publications/consultation-changes-intended-bring-about-greater-coordination-development-offshore-energy-networks>

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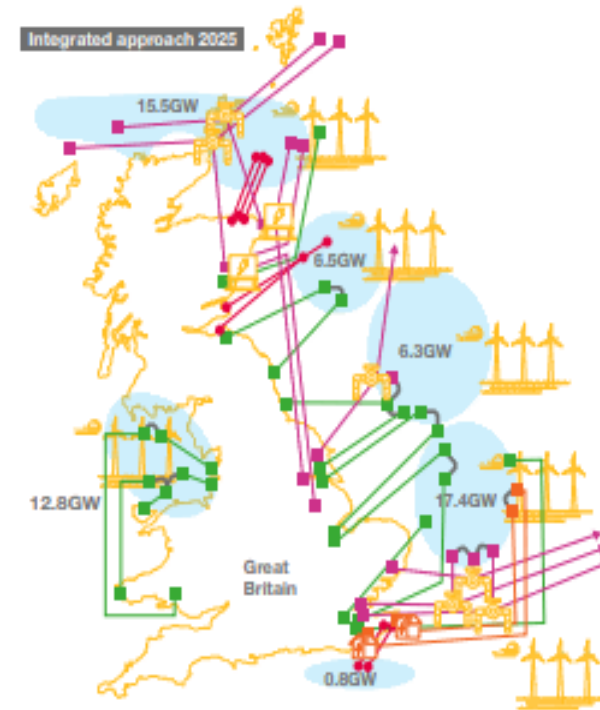
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# **Video:** How a coordinated approach to offshore enables net-zero

## Panel members

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**Dr Biljana Stojkovska**, Offshore Coordination Technical manager, National Grid ESO

**Moderator: Fabian Moore**, Lead Simulation Engineer, The National HVDC Centre

## Future Webinars

3) Building a Better Network: A technical discussion on how HVDC can enable a more stable network whilst integrating renewable generation.

Date: Friday 5 November 2021

Time: 13:00-14:00 GMT

Click here to register:

<https://forms.office.com/r/P3mk00v4JD>

4) HVDC R&D Strategy for Coordinate Offshore: Exploring the innovations required to meet net-zero.

Date: Thursday 11 November 2021

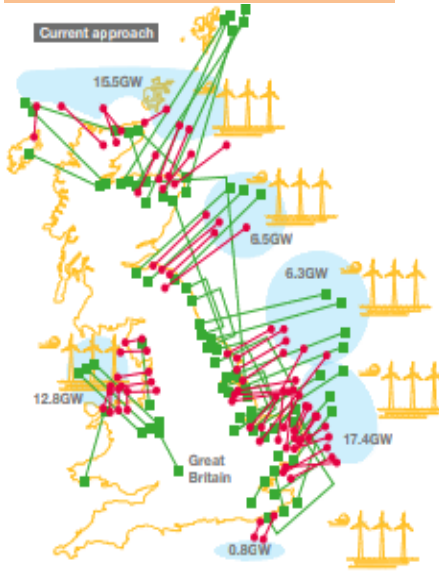
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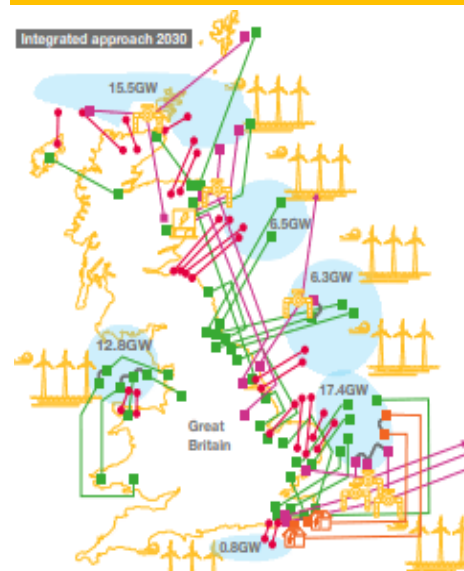
# Co-ordination of design= control coordination

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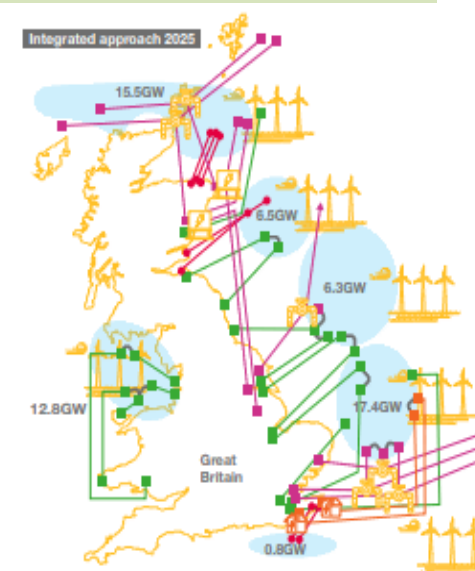
- Point-point Project arrangements
- Onshore performance is project-defined;
- Many individual small convertors, geographically spread on edges of network incrementally harder to deliver; &
- Impacting onshore system reinforcement and driving need for system support.

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- Multi terminal, Multi-Project, integrated with MPI
- Onshore performance = product of combination of projects & control systems- ***if technical needs are clear.***
- Larger strategically located convertors, providing support to the onshore network and each other- ***if specifications are co-ordinated.***
- Complementing & optimising onshore system reinforcement and providing system support –***if design, testing and operation is co-ordinated***

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# Thanks for listening.

## Any questions, please?

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