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**Microgrids** Trends and Opportunities

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# **Global State of Play**

**Energy and Microgrids** 

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#### **The Electricity Demand Growth – Worldwide**



- Strong electricity demand growth:
  - Population growth,
  - Increase urbanization;
  - Increase standards of living in non-OECD countries

 In new policies scenario (prices CO2 per tonne by \$45 in 2035), demand expands by over 70% from 2010 to 2035 with over 80% of the growth arises in non-OECD countries and mainly in Asia (IEA, 2013)

- Over 1.4b people still without energy access today:
  - 400 m in India, 50 m in Indonesia,45 m in Myanmar

#### **Distributed Smart and Micro Grid global view** Policy, strategy, and market drivers vary from one region to another



Micro + Smart Grid provides means to:

- Operational excellence
- Environmental compliance

- Grid reliability, safety
- Energy access & Security of supply
- Consumer participation

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#### **Microgrid - Overview**

A **microgrid** is a localized grouping of electricity generation, energy storage, and loads.

**Microgrid** generation resources can include fuel cells, wind, solar, or other energy sources in combination with each other. (gas, deisel, etc.)



# **Significances of Micro-grid**

- Ideal for quick electrification to rural areas
  - off-grid agricultural communities and remote villages
  - renewable integration with battery packs and energy storage systems
- Remote areas such as mining zones
- Island electrification which is not connected to main grids
- Building future grids and interconnected systems "MesoGrids" and Smart Grids



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# **Case Studies**

**Examples of Microgrids Globally** 

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#### Case study 1 : Batanes - PH



Wind-diesel system on Batanes Island (three Vergnet 60kW wind turbines and two 500kW diesel generators )

Investment	N/a
Year of operation	2004 in Northern Philippines
Developer	FirstGen
Capital Providers	N/a
Manufacturer	Vergnet, further manufacturers not known.

The first (and probably only) commercially operated wind-diesel hybrid system in the Philippines, operational since 2004 by FirstGen. 180kW wind with 1MW diesel plant.

#### **Case study 2: Esperance - AU**



The Esperance project has been operational since 2004, with a 2MW RE component in a 3.2MW grid.

#### Case study 3: Coral Bay - AU

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Source: Verve Energy

# Wind-diesel system (3x275kW turbines and low load diesel generator)

Investment	Total cost: n/a
Year of operation	2007 in WA
Developer	Verve Energy
Capital Providers	Govt grants; RRPGP (rebate - no repayment); REDI (also no repayment - considered income)
Manufacturer	Vergnet, Powercorp

The Coral Bay project of leading hybrid system developer/utility Verve Energy has been operational since 2007, with a 0.8MW RE component in a 3.1MW grid.

#### **Case Study 4: Redeployable Hybrid Power - AU**

Hybrid Solar/Diesel Power Plant (1 MW plant with 134 KWp of Solar PV)



This project involves a pilot-scale deployment of a fully redeployable hybrid solar/diesel power plant. Laing O'Rourke will construct, set up and pack down a demonstration solar plant. The technology has the potential to change the renewable energy landscape in regional and remote Australia.

#### Hybrid Micro Grid with Smart Grid – SG



A Living Microgrid Joint Industry Project (Leaded by DNV GL, 2014-2016) It is desired to test and validate the system level integration of new individual technology components, as well as to develop actual use-cases through the coordination, integration and interoperability of the various functional sub-systems.

# **DNV GL Microgrid Optimization Tool (MGOT)**



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# **Evolution of Micro Grids**

**The Not So Distant Future – Organic Grid Growth** 

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## The Next Evolution in Micro Grids – "MesoGrids"







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