

The expertise to assess the development of microgrids across a range of timescales from the long-term, lifetime cost of energy down to the short intervals required for protection and control systems, where events can occur—and need to be acted on—within milliseconds.

Competitive advantage

- At the forefront of research into, and the development of, microgrids using a wide-range of inverter control systems, conventional rotational generation, and energy storage
- A wide array of modelling capabilities, including conventional RMS, EMTP and transient system modelling
- The most powerful digital simulation laboratory in Australia. UNSW's 18rack real-time simulator is capable of modelling large- and small-scale microgrids at the finest timescales required for protection and high-speed control systems

Impact

- The ability to assess microgrid system behaviour in real time
- Reducing the uncertainty and risk in projects through digital simulation

Successful outcomes

• When the Asian Development Bank conducted a project for LECO, the electrical distribution operator in Colombo, Sri Lanka, it used UNSW microgrid simulation and modelling techniques.

Capabilities and facilities

- · A state-of-the-art inverter and microgrid test platform
- An 18-rack RTDS real-time simulator
- An OPAL-RT system for high-speed power electronics simulation in real time

Our partners

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