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Abstract
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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

INSPIRE-Grid project is a collaborative project funded by EC under the Seventh Framework Programme and is dedicated to develop a methodology to manage the consultation in order to engage the stakeholders in the decision making process and to improve support of development of future grid infrastructure. The start date of the project was the 1st of October 2013 and it is expected to have a duration of 36 months.

In this deliverable the minutes of the kick off meeting are reported. The kick off meeting was held in RSE premises in Milan on 8th of October 2013 and was attended by project partners, observers and the EC representative. In the meeting the grid expansion issues in the European context were discussed and an overview of some other European projects dealing with them was presented. Then the general structure of the INSPIRE-Grid project was explained, with a general description of its objectives, of the planned activities and of the expected results. The approach of INSPIRE-Grid project and its implementation was discussed among project partners and with the invited observers.



1 PRELIMINARY INFORMATION

The kick of meeting was held in RSE premises in Milan on 8th of October 2013 and was attended by project partners, observers and the EC representative.

1.1 List of participants

Name	Institution
Antonio Negri, Stefano Maran, Silvia Beretta, Giuseppe Stella, Gianluigi Migliavacca, Romano Ambrogi, Lauro Pollacchini	RSE
Amélie Lafragette, Marjorie Bastard, Vivien Molinengo	RTE
Anthony Patt, Anna Scolobig, Leonard Spaeth	ETH Zürich
Alessandro Luè, Simona Muratori	Poliedra
Patrick Schalbart	ARMINES
Peter Schmidt	PIK
Antina Sander	RGI
Jan Hildebrand	IZES
Bente Rudberg, Julie Evensen	Statnett
John Swanson	UK NGrid
Claudio Celada	LIPU on behalf of Stichting BirdLife Europe
Matilde Anker	NVE
Fiorenza Roghi	Terna
Dirk Gotzmann	CIVILSCAPE
Irene Bonvissuto	EU Commission

1.2 AGENDA

Welcome address and introduction by RSE

Round call of participants

EU Commission address

Presentation of project and initiatives related to INSPIRE-Grid issues

Presentation and discussion of the different Work Packages

1.3 REFERENCE DOCUMENTATION

INSPIRE-Grid Grant Agreement – Annex I (part A and B)



2 SUMMARY OF THE MEETING

Romano Ambrogi, Head of Development and Planning at RSE, welcomed the participants and highlighted the main features, working contests and targets of the company. He underlined the importance and the relationships of the INSPIRE-Grid issues within the research activities carried out by RSE. He emphasized the innovative nature of the project objectives and the value of the multidisciplinary of the team.

Antonio Negri, director of the Energy Sources and Sustainable Development Department at RSE, recalled the main issues and goals of the INSPIRE-Grid project, giving also the European contest in which it is placed and information about its timing.

After a round call in which each Participant shared his/her background and on-going activities, Gian Luigi Migliavacca, Head of the Transmission Development research group in RSE, presented a detailed overview of the FP7-funded E-HIGHWAY2050 project, related to the development of electricity highways in which RSE is involved. Moreover, main issues and different research methodologies and approaches were presented for the FP7 project REALISEGRID as well, with special emphasis on the methodologies proposed by the ENTSO-E for the to the assessment of Project of Common Interest by means of Cost-Benefit Analysis.

The meeting continued with the presentation of recent and/or on-going projects and initiatives related to INSPIRE-Grid main issues. More specifically:

- Antina Sander (RGI) presented the BestGrid IEE Project;
- John Swanson (UK Nat. Grid) presented the UK National Grid "Stakeholders Consultation" project;
- Matilde Anker (NVE) presented the procedures for grid licensing in Norway and the stakeholder engagement.
- Bente Rudberg and (Stattnet) presented the Stattnet "Sustainable Grid Development Project";
- M. Bastard (RTE) presented "An innovative approach for Grid Development Project";
- Peter Schmidt (PIK) presented the "Smart Grid" acceptance project in Germany;
- Fiorenza Roghi (Terna) presented "The Terna experience of Grid Development in Italy".

In the afternoon, the meeting focused on the description of each Work Package of the project and on the discussion of the main difficulties, uncertainties and open-questions related to their implementation and integration with the others WPs. In particular:

- WP 2 - presented by Jan Hildebrand (IZES). This WP will be strongly related to WP3. The two main objectives of the WP were highlighted and the three tasks briefly described, also presenting recent projects centred on issues similar to the ones of each task, from which it is possible to derive some background information (lots of empirical data already existent). The first task will focus on the creation of a stakeholder map for different regions. The



second one deals with the workshop documentation (whose topics and needs has to be defined); it is envisaged that it will probably take three months to conceptualize how many workshops (and in which countries) have to be organized. The first workshop is expected to take place in early Spring 2014. The third task aims to realize a catalogue of criteria to assess to which extent needs have to be considered and how they can be measured. Different stages of participation will be considered, also depending on which level the project operates; the simple information is the minimum level, but considered not sufficient.

- WP 3 - presented by Anthony Patt (ETHZ). This WP is considered as a “background WP” and even if the numbering can mislead, it has not to be considered consequent to WP2. WP2 and WP3 will move ahead together and are strongly connected. The WP3 aims to collect information about past experiences in the field of grid development and stakeholder participation. The main partner of ETHZ for this WP will be IZES. The output will be one of the first deliverables of the project. It is suggested by Amélie Lafragette (RTE) to find out not only which practices have to be considered “best”, but also which ones have to be considered “bad” and to explain why and how we make this considerations.
- WP 4 - presented by Alessandro Lué (Poliedra). The WP will provide to the project methodologies for comparing different development hypothesis and for supporting decision makers in the identification of the best ones. The evaluation process of these methodologies was explained, together with the difference in meaning between “alternatives” (what we evaluate and we are able to propose to our stakeholders, i.e. something that is under the stakeholders control) and “scenarios” (something in which the considered variables are out of the stakeholders control). The main objectives of the WP have been identified, together with the relative indicators (qualitative and quantitative) to measure them and to estimate the effects of different options. It has been pointed out that the comparison lead through Multi Criteria Analysis tools will not identify “one optimal solution”, but the solution which best internalizes the policy-makers\stakeholders preferences.
- WP 5 - presented by Peter Schmidt (PIK). This WP deals with communication and improvement of the engagement (C&E). The tasks were explained in very detail, referring to contents and to the relationships with others WPs. WP5 will be involved in each Milestones. The final output will be a final handbook of guidelines, to be available near Month 36. It is proposed to anticipate the Milestone number 3 before starting to work on the case-studies. The differences between WP3 and WP5 have been discussed. Dirk Gotzmann asked if the workshops are expected to be open to the public; is has been agreed that some of them will be open, while some other will be reserved to specific stakeholder catheegories.
- WP 6 - presented by Amélie Lafragette (RTE), dedicated to the Case Studies. It has been first underlined that all the case-studies are not to be considered simply a sort of test, they will not be only the testing application of technologies or methodologies, but an interactive and “ping-pong” process where the feed-backs influence the progress of the research. Geographical and temporal criteria will be used to choose and select the case-studies. The links with other WPs and the number of expected case-study projects were pointed out. It was discussed the involvement (if there will be) of partners in WP6 case-studies.
- WP 7 - presented by Anthony Patt (ETHZ). This WP, dedicated to validating the application of the theoretical guidelines in context of the three case studies and to generalization of the



theoretical guidelines, will start after the work on the case-studies and will come at the end of the project.

- WP 8 - presented by Stefano Maran (RSE). The WP8 deals with dissemination. It was first remarked the double role that the communication covers within the project, being at the same time a core part of the research activities and a duty towards the “external world” to share and spread results. The main objectives and expected results of the WP were highlighted, as well as the tools individuated as necessary to reach them (website, media, workshops, on-line tools). Some details were given about the target groups the project intend to reach. After a brief discussion, it was defined that the language and the contents of the newsletters have to be different, depending on the audience they are elaborated for.