This spring, FPGI is expanding its network and making new connections from regional transmission organizations to twitter. The initiative is also presenting its first white paper on the GridOPTICS™ tool suite.

HIGHLIGHTS & ACHIEVEMENTS

New Connections
Focus Area 3 has been very active in developing working relations with grid operators across the nation. Gariann Gelston, Jodi Obradovich and Angela Dalton conducted a one-day site visit at PJM Interconnection in Norristown, Pa. As the result of the project team’s previous participation in NERC meetings, the team was able to connect with executives from grid entities such as PJM. This visit served as a valuable exchange platform for the project team to learn about the latest decision support technologies in PJM’s state-of-the-art Advanced Control Center program (AC2) and allowed the FPGI project staff to demonstrate its research product and capabilities, while soliciting industry feedback.

Ning Lu’s Team has been working with a leading regional transmission organization to test its Multi Resolution Data Driven Advanced Reasoning Tool, or MDART, with SCADA and PMU data sets.

White Paper
The Initiative is finishing its first GridOPTICS™ white paper, which outlines three fundamental fusions to be achieved in the future power grid: grid and data, transmission and distribution, and operation and planning. The paper will be uploaded to our website at http://gridoptics.pnnl.gov/articles/p/u/b/Publications_e251.html soon.

Twitter
You can now follow news and updates from our initiative via twitter @GridOPTICS. We will tweet about the Initiative’s publications, upcoming conferences and workshops in 140 characters or less.
FPGI FOCUS AREAS

Focus Area One addresses data networking and management issues, and enables the digital infrastructure for the future grid. This focus area will address the gaps in networking and real-time data management by developing advanced algorithms and software tools and techniques. Focus Area Leads: Bora Akyol (bora@pnnl.gov) and Phil Craig (philip.craig@pnnl.gov)

Focus Area Two targets research in the areas of advanced mathematical models, next-generation simulation and analytics capabilities for the power grid. Projects in Focus Area Two will use high-throughput data streams produced by projects in Focus Area One and integrate them with sophisticated mathematical models to conduct large-scale power grid simulation and analysis. Focus Area Two strives to advance the state-of-the-art in modeling and simulation in order to achieve much higher fidelity situational awareness and global comprehension for power grid stability, efficiency and flexibility. Focus Area Leads: Daniel Chavarria (daniel.chavarria@pnnl.gov), Tom Ferryman (tom.ferryman@pnnl.gov), and Ning Zhou (ning.zhou@pnnl.gov)

Focus Area Three aims to convert large amounts of model and sensor data into information and knowledge to support decisions in grid operation, planning, and policymaking. This area concentrates on the development of coordinated visualization interfaces and decision support capabilities in a modular, extensible software environment that can be used for both real-time grid operations as well as long-term planning. Focus Area Leads: Bill Pike (william.pike@pnnl.gov) and Paul Whitney (paul.whitney@pnnl.gov)

ABOUT FPGI

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