



Distributed Energy Resources Research
Infrastructure (DERri)

Press release

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DERri Network grants Free Access to Research Infrastructure for Scientists

Milan, 11 April 2012. The Distributed Energy Resources Research Infrastructure (DERri) is calling scientists from industry and research organisations to apply for the free access to the laboratories. The selected user teams will have the chance to access and use the research facilities, including all laboratory installations within the DERri Network, for experiments free of charge. All expenses, including travel and accommodation are reimbursable, under the conditions agreed with the hosting institutions. The next application deadline is 30 June 2012.

DERri is a collaborative research project under the 7th Framework Programme (FP7) of the European Commission, gathering 16 partners from 12 countries distributed all over Europe. The project partners have unique and complementary DER research infrastructures and leading DER expertise. Since 2010 more than 20 research projects have already been conducted in earlier instalments of this research programme.

Eligible Applicants

For researchers to apply for a free access there are three conditions. The applying researchers have to work for organisations that are established in countries of the European Union or associated European states like Switzerland, Turkey or Israel. Secondly, the research team, or its majority, must work in countries other than where the operator of the infrastructure is established. Lastly, researchers must have the permission to publicly report about their project. The starting time and length of the projects are flexible.

The research programme continuously supports DER research. The next dates for this year are 30 June and 30 November. Applications will be accepted as long as the laboratories have capacity available.

All necessary application documents, descriptions of available research infrastructure and research projects already supported can be found at www.der-ri.net.

Various testing installations available

DERri network partners consist of research facilities throughout Europe that provide researchers with different kinds of testing facilities, simulations facilities as well as DER know-how and best practices. The facilities provide research opportunities in the fields of smart grids, renewable energy sources, storage, power quality, grid security, control and protection of the networks, communication, system aspects, architectural questions and domotics.

Partners of DERri

Distributed Energy Resources Research Infrastructure (DERri) is a collaborative research project under the 7th Framework Programme (FP7) of the European Commission. DERri has since 2009 offered a unique opportunity for European researchers to perform their experiments in leading DER laboratories in Europe. The 16 partner institutions are:

- Ricerca sul Sistema Energetico (RSE, coordinator) in Italy;
- Austrian Institute of Technology (AIT);
- Centre for Renewable Energy Sources and Saving (CRESES) in Greece;
- The EDF group in France;
- Fraunhofer IWES in Germany;
- The French National Institute for Solar Energy (CEA-INES) in France;
- KEMA in The Netherlands;
- National Technical University of Athens (NTUA) in Greece;
- University of Manchester in the United Kingdom;
- Technical University of Lodz in Poland;
- Technical University of Denmark (DTU);
- TECNALIA in Spain;
- Research and development sector of the Technical University of Sofia (TUS-RDS) in Bulgaria;
- University of Strathclyde in the United Kingdom;
- VTT Technical Research Centre of Finland;
- The association European Distributed Energy Resources Laboratories (DERlab).

Further information: www.der-ri.net.

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