



SmartGrids ERA-Net

The objective of the ERA-NET is to ensure essential, coordinated research is conducted in preparation for the large-scale integration of the SmartGrids architecture. It is a pragmatic outcome of the strategy developed by the SmartGrids European Technology Platform (ETP).

The SmartGrids ERA-Net aims at developing transnational research activities to speed up the development of a Smart European Electrical Infrastructure. The latter is regarded as a necessity for a successful realisation of the European Action Plan "Energy Policy for Europe".

The SmartGrids ERA-Net provides co-ordination of the related research activities within the national and regional public (co)funded RTD. The SmartGrids ERA-Net creates a network of programme managers, closely connected to policy makers and industry that undertakes joint activities.

Joint activities

Research and strategic gaps will be assessed and action taken across the network to deliver coordinated, joint calls for funding proposals.

Work already done:

- Overview of national SmartGrids initiatives in Europe
- Overview of complementarities, gaps and strategic opportunities for National and Regional Programmes
- Joint call 2010 - 4 transnational projects were funded by more than 2.2 mio. €

Further information is available at the website.

A 2nd joint call is planned to open at the beginning of 2011. Please keep updated at the website or contact your national/regional funding programme.



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