

# **CENELEC TC 8X/WG 06**

## **System Aspects of HVDC Grids**

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# Overview

- ▶ **Introduction to CLC TC 8X/WG 06**
- ▶ **Scope and present status of work**
- ▶ **Examples of topics in discussion**
  - ▷ Coordination of HVDC Grid System and AC systems
  - ▷ HVDC Grid Control
  - ▷ Models and Validation
  - ▷ HVDC Grid System Integration Tests

# CLC/TC 8X/WG 06

## Key Figures

- ▶ 1st Meeting: 11th April 2013 (Kick-Off)
- ▶ 14 regular Working Group meetings until today (6 Meetings in 2015)
- ▶ 5 Sub Groups dealing with different technological aspects:
  - ▶ Coordination of HVDC Grid and AC Systems
  - ▶ HVDC Grid Control
  - ▶ HVDC Grid Protection
  - ▶ HVDC Grid System Characteristics and HVDC Grid Equipment
  - ▶ Models and Validation, HVDC Grid System Integration Tests
- ▶ 43 registered members (October 2015)
  - ▶ 10 of Manufacturers (ABB, ALSTOM, DlgSILENT, Siemens)
  - ▶ 12 of TSOs (ENEL, REE, RTE, Terna, 50Hertz)
  - ▶ 15 of Universities (Imperial Collage London, HS Karlsruhe, TU Clausthal, TU Darmstadt, TU Ilmenau, RWTH Aachen, UPM Madrid)
  - ▶ 7 of other Organisations/Institutions (Arup, ECOS, DKE, ObjectFarm)

## Team Goals (excerpt)

The CENELEC TC 8X Working Group 06 elaborates **standards for HVDC Grid Systems on a European level.**

The Working Group focuses first on **preparing the ground for a competitive supply chain of HVDC Grid System components and solutions.**

The work builds on the findings of the European HVDC Grid Study Group (2010 to 2012) with the following objectives in chronological order:

- ▶ **Elaborating technical Guidelines and Functional Specifications for:**
  - ▶ **Radial HVDC Grid Systems** (Radial systems are characterized by having exactly one electrical connection between any two converter stations)
  - ▶ **Applications in meshed HVDC Grid Systems**
- ▶ Identification of items for HVDC Grid System standardisation
- ▶ **Elaboration of the HVDC Grid System standards**

Aiming at providing best benefit to the technological development, the Working Group **liaises with other organizations working in the same field or actively contributes to their work as appropriate.**

# HVDC Grid Systems - Guidelines and Parameter Lists for Functional Specifications

## Outline

- 1 Scope
- 2 Normative references
- 3 Terms, definitions and abbreviations
- 4 Coordination of HVDC Grid and AC systems
- 5 HVDC Grid System characteristics
- 6 HVDC Grid control
- 7 HVDC Grid System protection
- 8 AC/DC converter stations
- 9 HVDC Grid System equipment (requirements)
- 10 Models and validation
- 11 HVDC Grid System integration tests
- 12 Bibliography

**The specifications shall cover all HVDC Grid specific topics**

# A Set of Two Complementing Documents

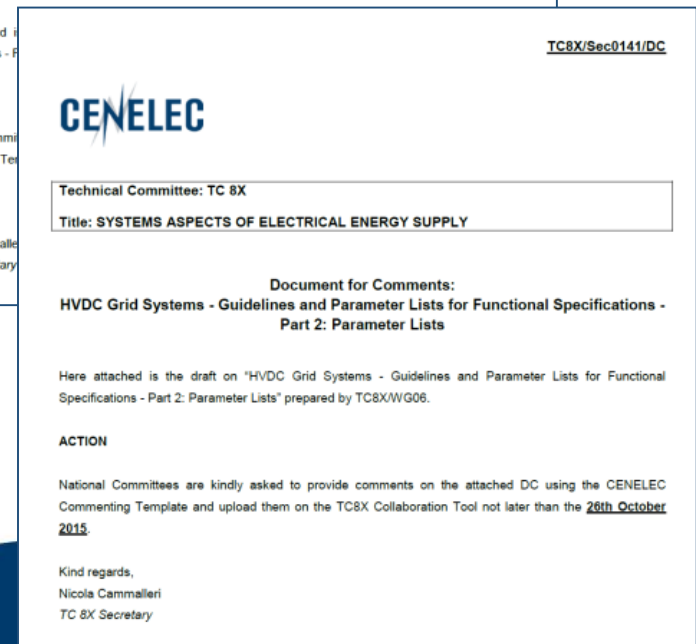
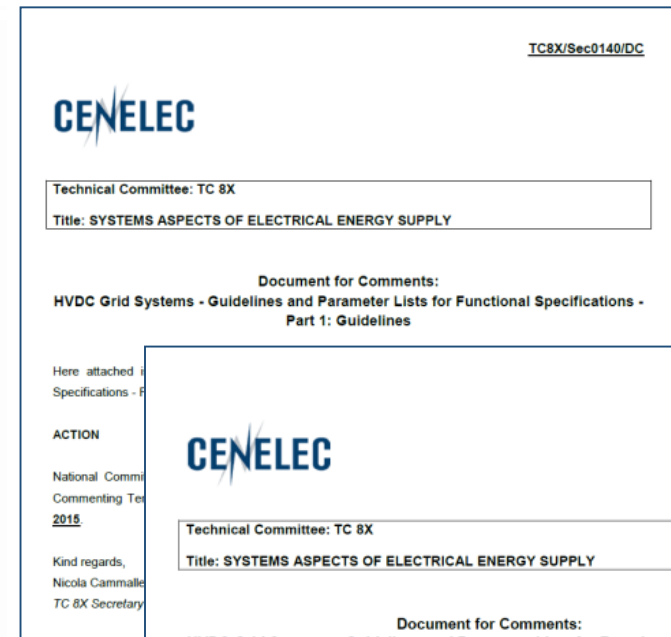
Title	HVDC Grid Systems – Guidelines and Parameter Lists for Functional Specifications		
Sub Title	Part 1 Concepts and Guidelines	Part 2 Operating Conditions and Performance Requirements	
Working Title	(Background)	(Parameter List)	
		Grid Characteristics (Operating Conditions)	Performance Requirements
Example: Harmonic voltage distortion	Explaining backgrounds like: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- How to obtain „pre-existing harmonic voltage levels“</li> <li>- How to calculate harmonic voltage distortions</li> <li>- How to demonstrate compliance with requirements</li> <li>- ...</li> </ul>	Listing:  Pre-existing harmonic voltage levels  DC network harmonic impedances	Listing:  Maximum permissible harmonic voltage distortions due to converter operation (considering converter self generated harmonics and possible magnification of pre-existing harmonics.)

# Approaching a New Technology From System Function to Specification

- ▶ Establish structure of Part 2 (Parameter Lists)
- ▶ Define Parameters and Requirements of Part 2
  - ▶ focus on system functions (assure technology independence)
  - ▶ categorise and develop systematics of functions and technical principles
  - ▶ define parameters, assure completeness in addressing all relevant physical effects
- ▶ Elaborate Part 1 (Guidelines)
  - ▶ make reference to publications and work of other Working Groups, e.g. CENELEC and CIGRÉ
  - ▶ elaborate principles as appropriate
- ▶ Recommend Parameter Values
  - ▶ investigate applications
  - ▶ define scenarios where appropriate
  - ▶ derive parameter values and describe reasoning
  - ▶ standardise values

# HVDC Grid Systems – Guidelines and Parameter Lists for Functional Specifications

- ▶ **First Draft of Documents** circulated as **TC8X/Sec0140/DC** and **TC8X/Sec0141/DC** more than 80 comments received, mainly by NCs of France and Germany, currently under investigation
- ▶ **Scope**
  - ▶ Radial topologies, open for extension to meshed ones
  - ▶ Symmetrical Monopoles, Monopoles, Bipoles, combinations thereof





# Coordination of HVDC Grid System and AC systems (I)

Target: Provide guidelines for specifying functional requirements for HVDC Grid Systems from an AC system's perspective

## **HVDC grid functions for AC systems**

### **Basic operating functions:**

- ▶ Main purpose of the HVDC Grid System, design and optimization criteria
- ▶ Static power flow
- ▶ Main active power controls

### **Ancillary services:**

- ▶ Energy balancing
- ▶ Power modulations
- ▶ Voltage services
- ▶ System restoration
- ▶ Stabilizing functions

**Boundary conditions: Network Code requirements**

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# Coordination of HVDC Grid System and AC systems (II)

## Basic Operating Functions for AC systems

Example: Static power flow optimization – What to specify?

a) Conditions and capabilities

- ▷ DC line ampacities (normal, overload)
- ▷ voltage and power ratings of converters
- ▷ DC line resistances

b) Optimization criteria

- ▷ reserve capacity, e.g. to cover n-1 contingencies
- ▷ overall minimization of power losses

# Coordination of HVDC Grid System and AC systems (III)

## Ancillary services for AC systems

### Example: Energy balancing

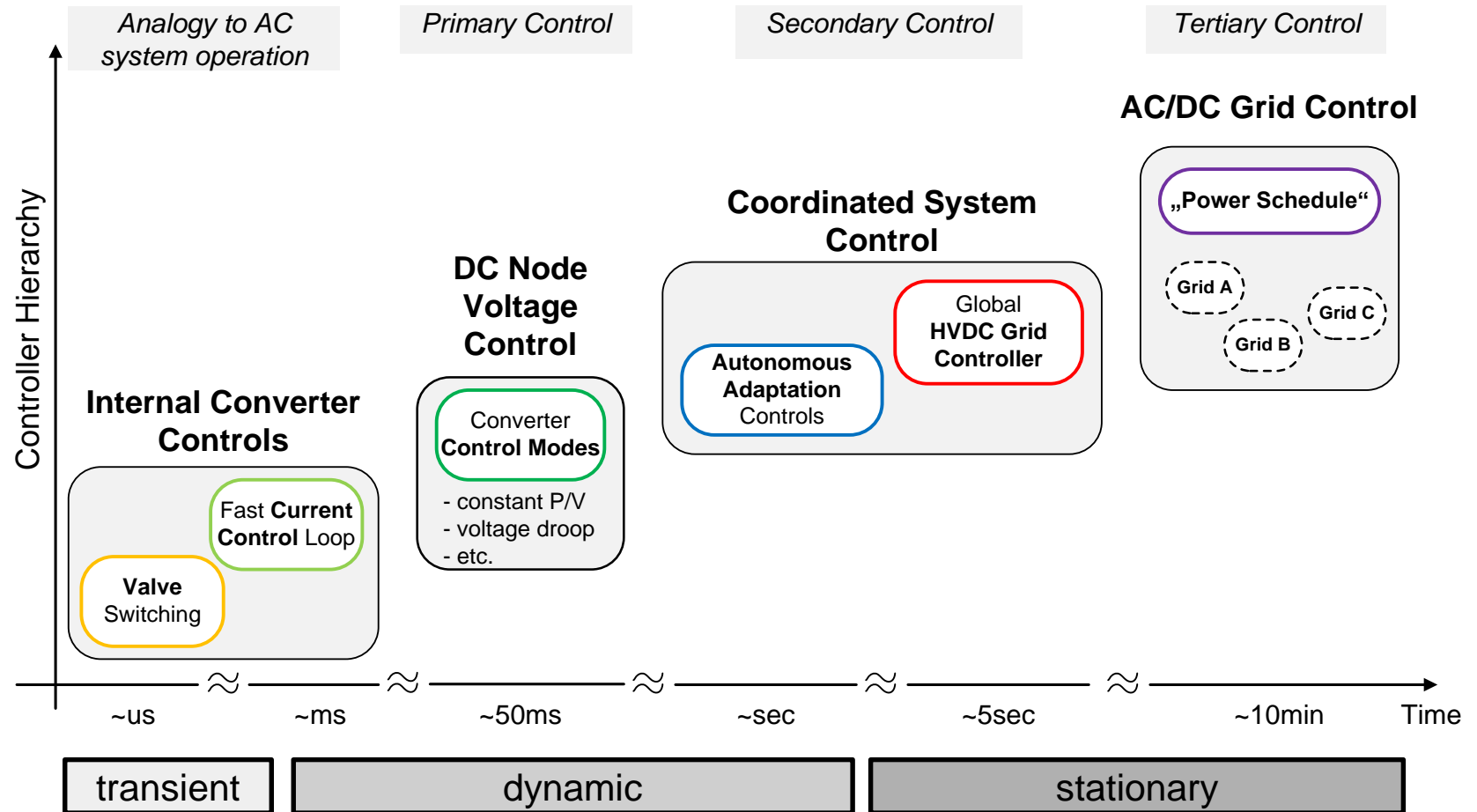
- ▷ Frequency containment control (primary frequency control)
- ▷ Frequency restoration (secondary and tertiary frequency control)
- ▷ participation in unplanned AC power flow changes (e.g. in response to tripping)
- ▷ Synthetic inertia (faster response time than automatic frequency control)

### Example: Power modulations

- ▷ Inter-area oscillations
- ▷ Power oscillation damping
- ▷ Subsynchronous torsional interactions

# HVDC Grid Control (I)

Target: Describe principles of HVDC Grid controls and provide guidelines for specification of grid control functions and interfaces

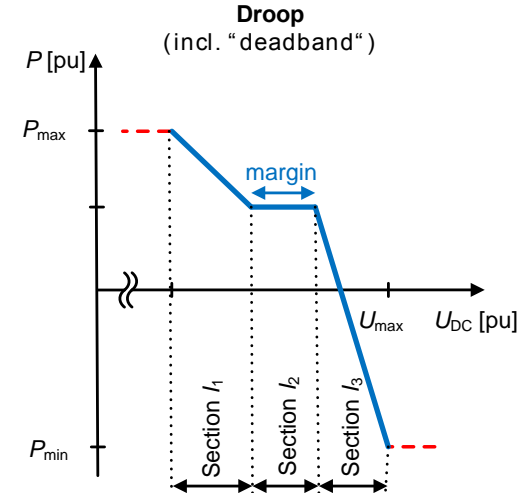
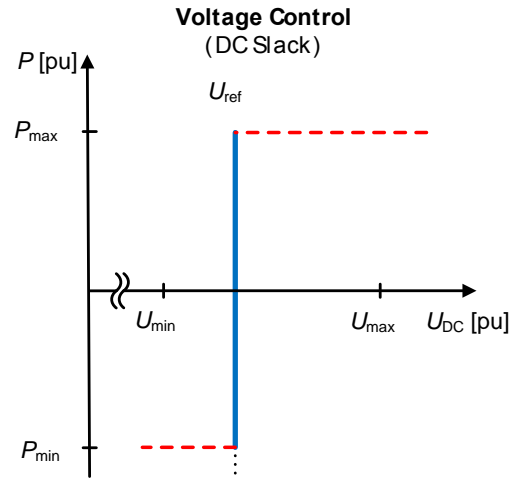
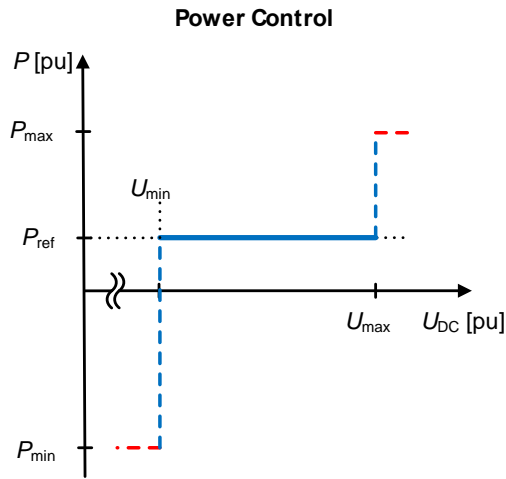


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# HVDC Grid Control (II)

## Characteristics for DC Node Voltage Control



# HVDC Grid Control (III)

## Coordinated System Control

- Intermediate-term modification of set values
  - Response to fluctuating injection / contingencies etc.
  - Faster than “Power Schedule”
- Station-autonomous mechanisms (no communication)
  - Set of rules (staggered in location & time)
  - Robust, but prior definition required
- Elaborate schemes via “HVDC Grid Controller”
  - Communication required, but...
  - ...optimisation due to “global” grid knowledge!

# Models and Validation (I)

**Target:** Provide guidelines to the design and validation of simulation models needed for studies in various phases of a project

**Scope:** models, control replicas, real time simulation, offline simulation.

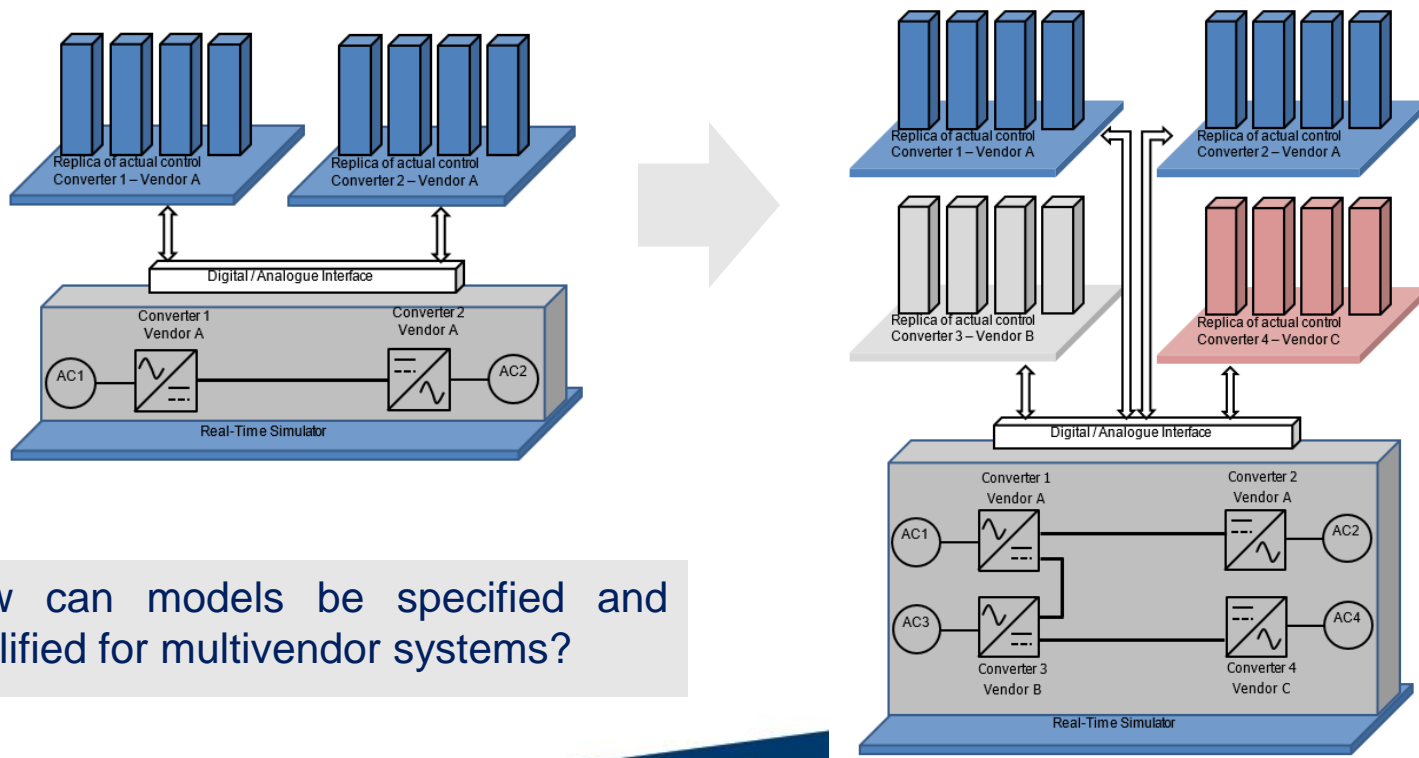
## Examples:

- ▶ Contingency analysis  
→ concern on the reconfiguration and automatic adaptation of the DC system and converter controllers following a disturbance.
- ▶ Harmonic analysis  
→ concern on AC and DC system models and methods, testing is needed.
- ▶ Small-signal Stability studies  
→ concern on modal analysis.

# Models and Validation (II)

Guidelines for modelling and model validation:

- Multi-vendor systems: many involved actors (manufacturers, TSOs, HVDC Grid System owners and operators...)



How can models be specified and qualified for multivendor systems?



# HVDC Grid System Integration Tests

Target: Provide guidelines to the specification of system integration tests

## System integration tests

- ▶ Factory Acceptance Tests: **single-vendor**.
- ▶ Laboratory Acceptance Tests: **multi-vendor**.
- ▶ Commissioning Tests: **on site**.
- ▶ Compliance tests and simulations: **steady state calculations, dynamic simulations**.

## How can tests be specified and qualified for multivendor systems?

- ▶ Independent laboratory?
- ▶ Every TSO or HVDC Grid System operator?

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# Looking forward to a fruitful collaboration !

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