



# Grid Modernization Initiative

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# Why Grid Modernization?

The existing U.S. power system has served us well...  
*but our 21<sup>st</sup> Century economy needs a 21<sup>st</sup> Century grid.*

Emerging Threats



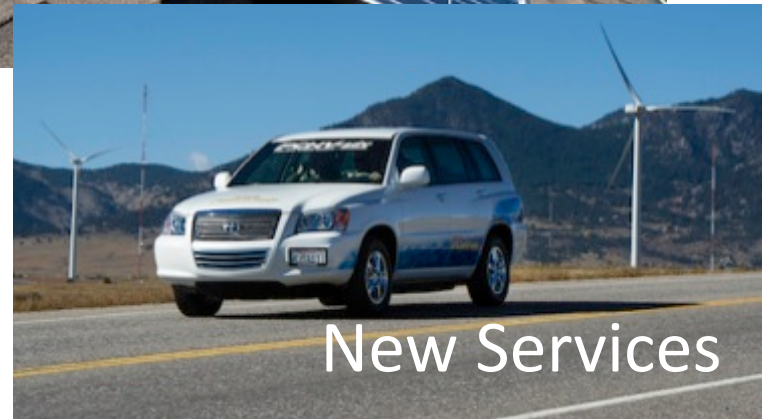
Renewables



Extreme Events



New Services





# Trends: Moving from the 20<sup>th</sup> Century to the 21<sup>st</sup> Century

The structure of the 20<sup>th</sup> century grid, however, cannot meet all the demands of the 21<sup>st</sup> century. Five key trends are driving this transformation:

A changing mix of types and characteristics of electric generation

Growing demands for a more resilient and reliable grid

Growing supply- and demand-side opportunities for customers to participate in electricity markets

The emergence of interconnected electricity information and control systems

An aging infrastructure

## Both Challenge and Opportunity



# Grid Modernization Vision

- *Seamlessly integrate conventional and renewable sources, storage, and central and distributed generation*
- *Platform for U.S. prosperity, competitiveness, and innovation in a global clean energy economy.*
- *Resilient, reliable, flexible, secure, sustainable, and affordable electricity to consumers where they want it, when they want it, how they want it.*

## Achieve Public Policy Objectives

- 80% clean electricity by 2035
- State RPS and EEPS mandates
- Access to reliable, affordable electricity
- Climate adaptation and resilience

## Sustain Economic Growth and Innovation

- New energy products and services
- Efficient markets
- Reduce barriers for new technologies
- Clean energy jobs

## Mitigate Risks and Secure the Nation

- Extreme weather
- Cyber threats
- Physical attacks
- Natural disasters
- Fuel and supply diversity
- Aging infrastructure



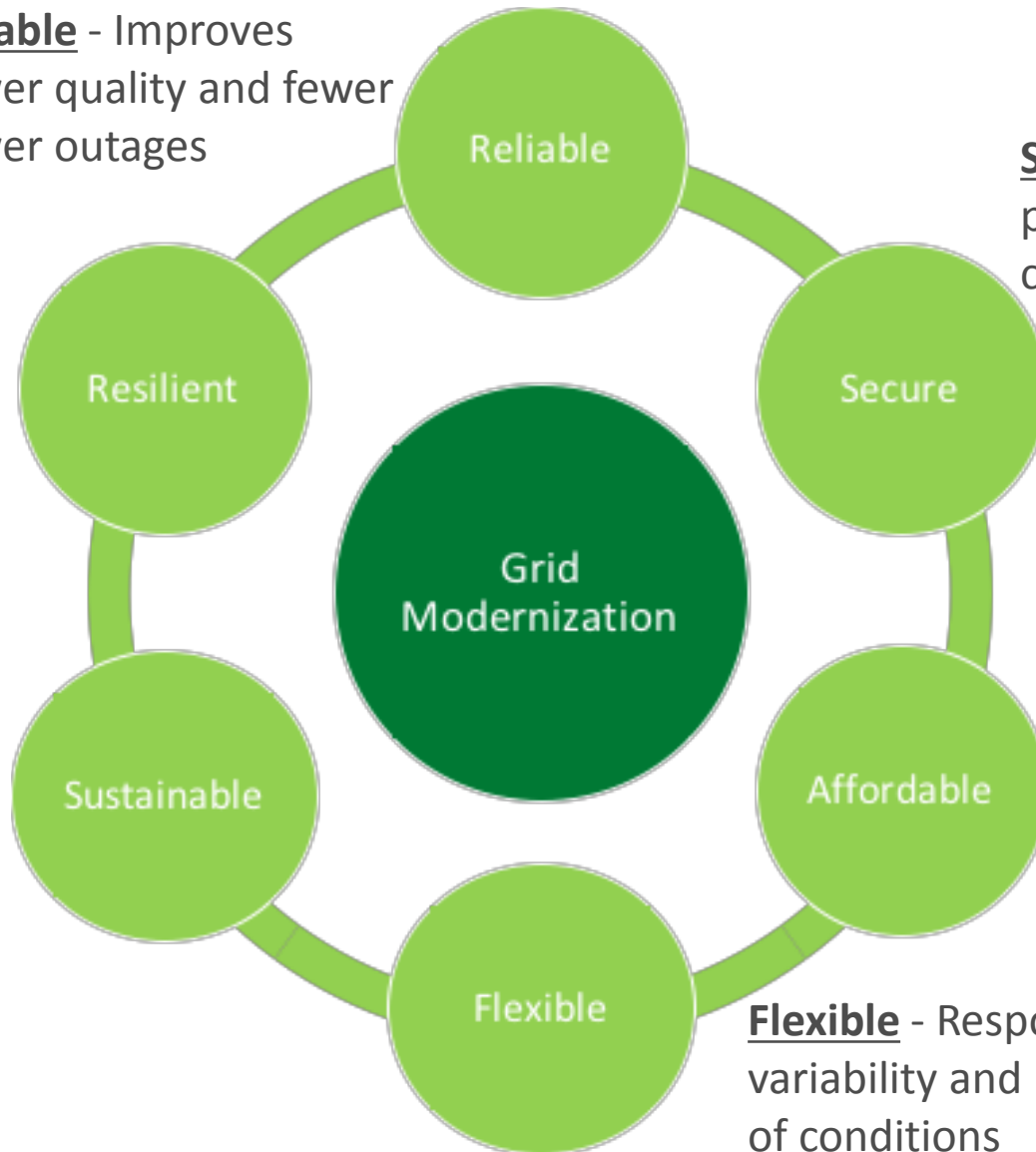
# Key Attributes of a Modernized Grid

**Reliable** - Improves power quality and fewer power outages

**Secure** - Increases protection to our critical infrastructure

**Resilient** - Quick recovery from any situation or power outage

**Sustainable** - Facilitates broader deployment of clean generation and efficient end use technologies



**Affordable** - Maintains reasonable costs to consumers.

**Flexible** - Responds to the variability and uncertainty of conditions



# GMI's Integrated Technical Thrusts

Technology Innovation

## Institutional Support

- Tools and data to enable more informed decisions and reduce risks on key issues that influence the future of the electric grid/power sector

## Design and Planning Tools

- **Integrate** transmission and distribution and system dynamics over a variety of time and spatial scales

## System Operations, Power Flow, and Control

- A **new grid architecture** that coordinates and controls millions of devices and integrates with energy management systems

## Sensing and Measurements

- Advanced low-cost sensors, analytics, and visualizations that enable **100% observability**

## Devices and Integrated System Testing

- Increase grid **services and utilization** and validate high levels of variable generation integrated systems at multiple scales

## Security and Resilience

- Advanced security (**cyber and physical**) solutions and real-time incident response capabilities



# Impacts on Renewable Power

Technology Innovation

## Institutional Support

- Enable regulators to **understand** the implications of high penetrations of solar installed behind the meter

## Design and Planning Tools

- Help utilities plan for a system **with high penetrations** of wind, solar and geothermal systems.

## System Operations, Power Flow, and Control

- **Forecasts** that improve operators ability to predict wind and solar - reduce the need for excess reserves.

## Sensing and Measurements

- Better **visibility into the distribution system** will more clearly indicate where and when challenges with high penetration solar occurs.

## Devices and Integrated System Testing

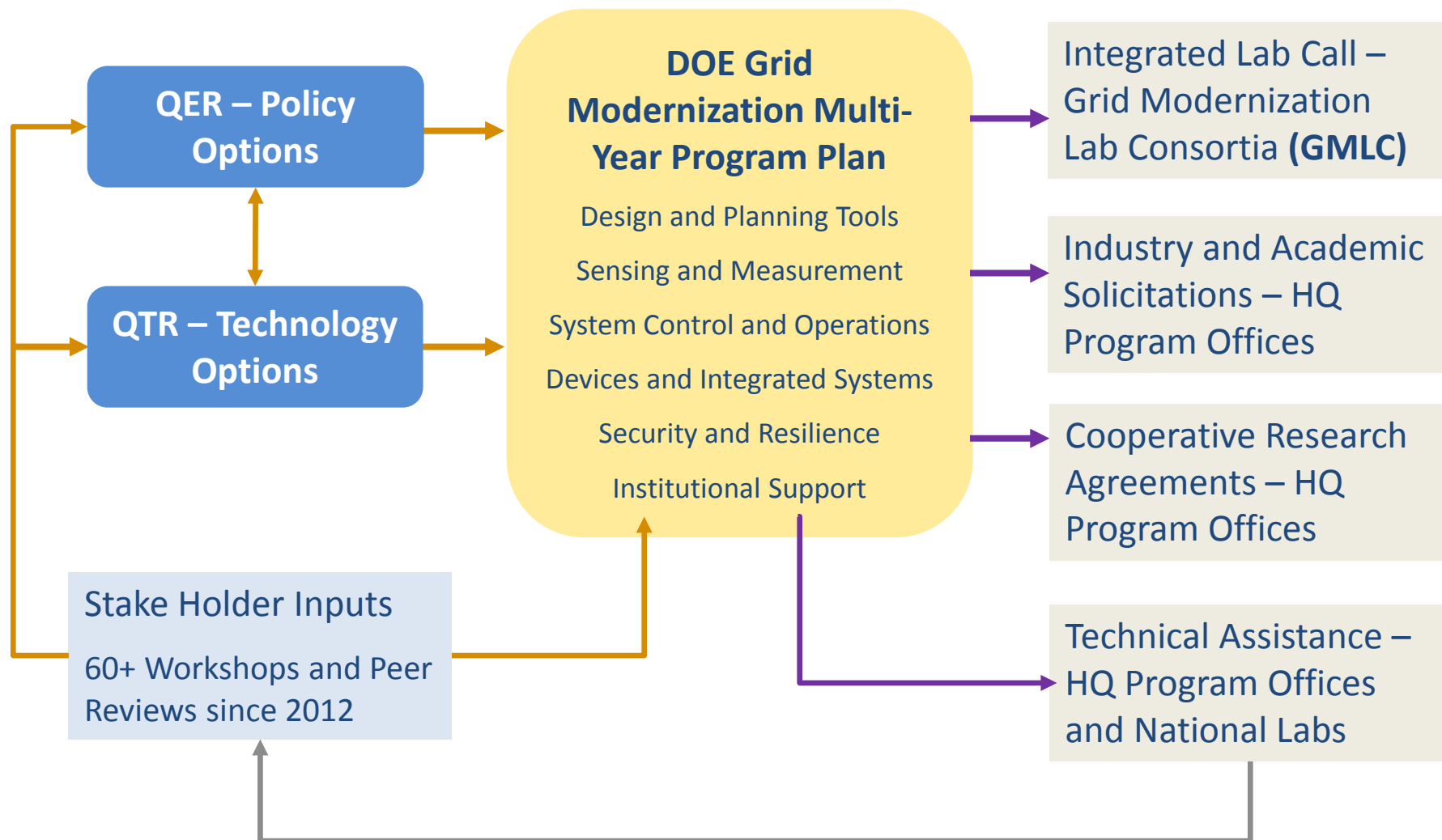
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## Security and Resilience

- **Advanced security (cyber and physical) solutions** for behind the meter solar as it continues to become more prevalent.



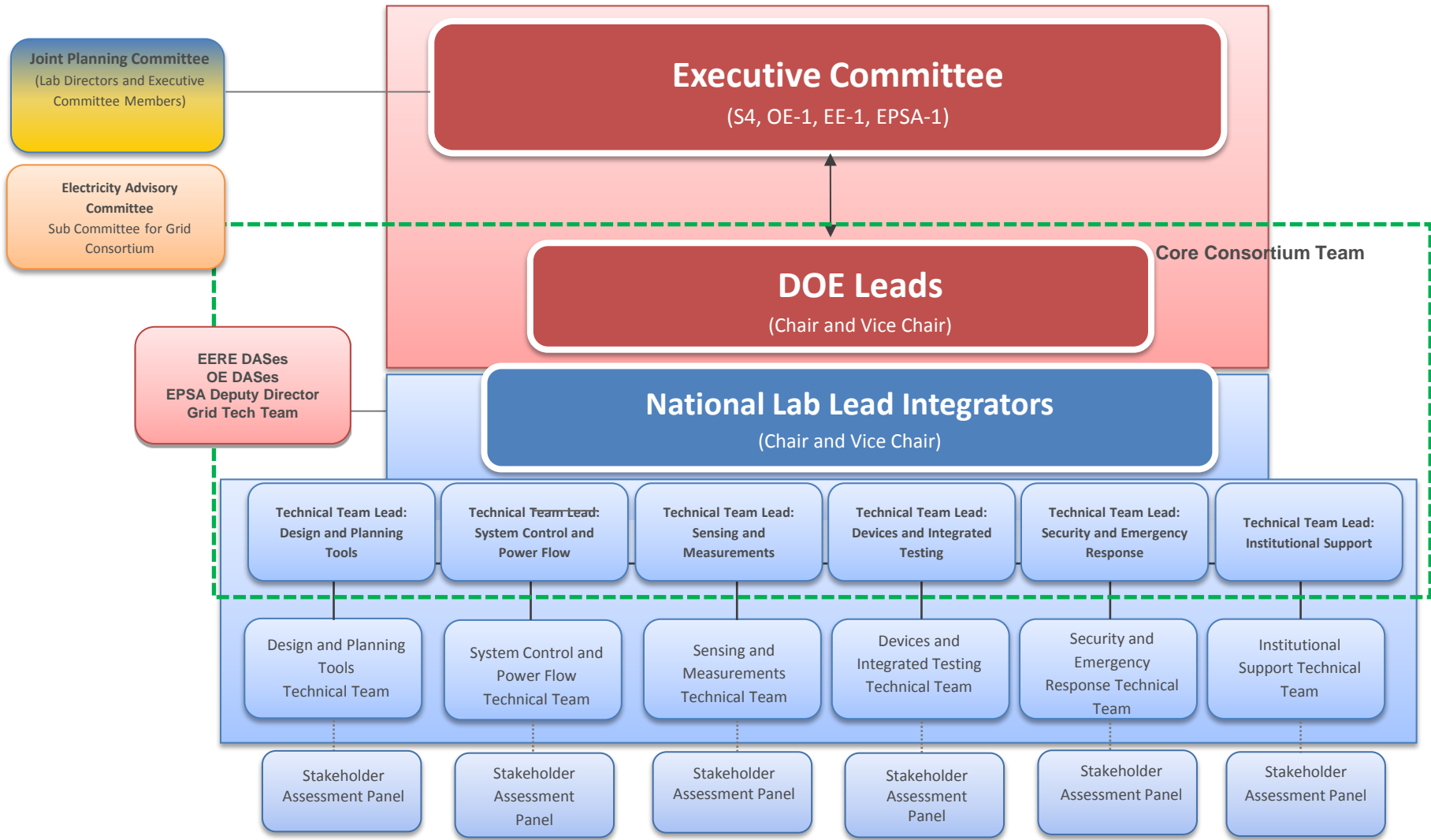
# Connectivity to Other DOE Activities







# Grid Modernization Laboratory Consortium

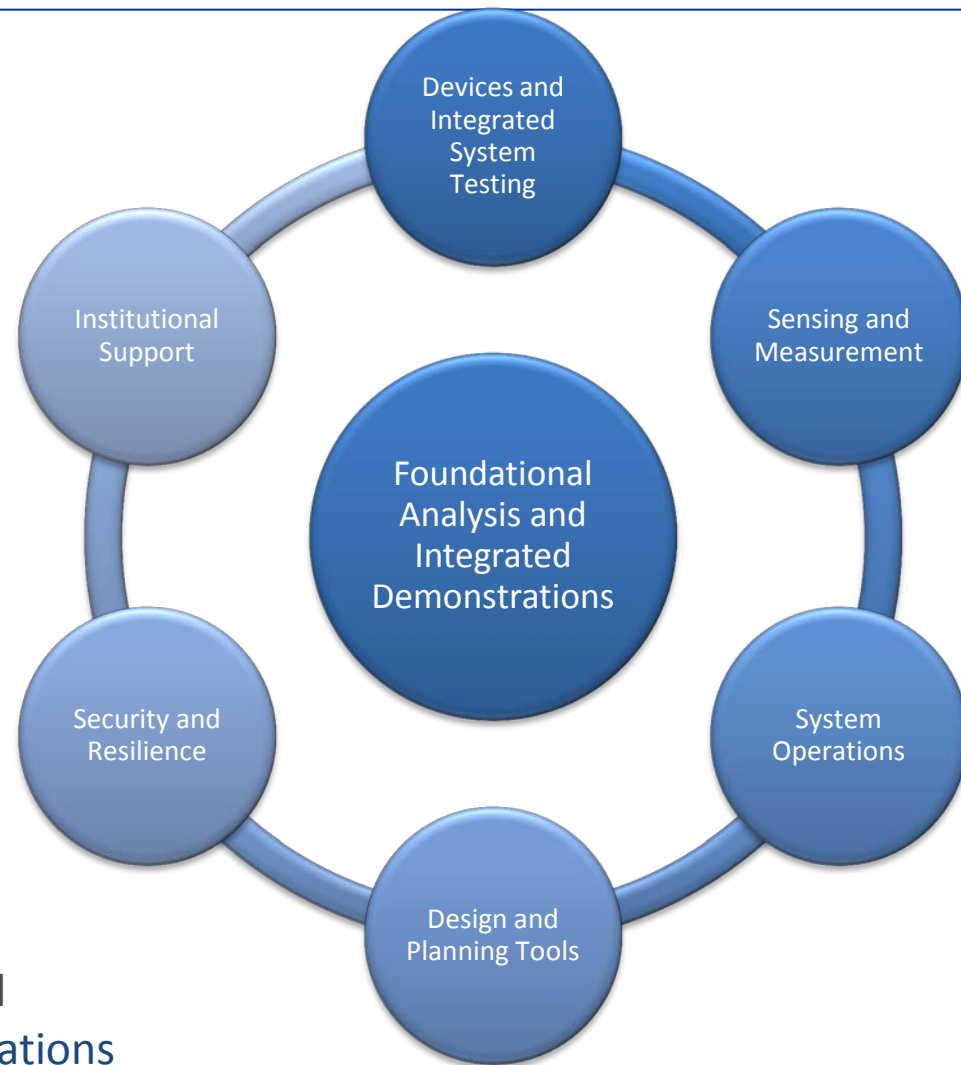




# DOE 2015-16 Grid Modernization Lab Call

## Topic Areas

- Foundational Analysis for GMLC Establishment/Framework
- Core Activities
- Pioneer Regional Partnerships
- Technical Areas



GMI Multi-Year Program Plan and Lab Call

<http://www.netl.doe.gov/business/solicitations>

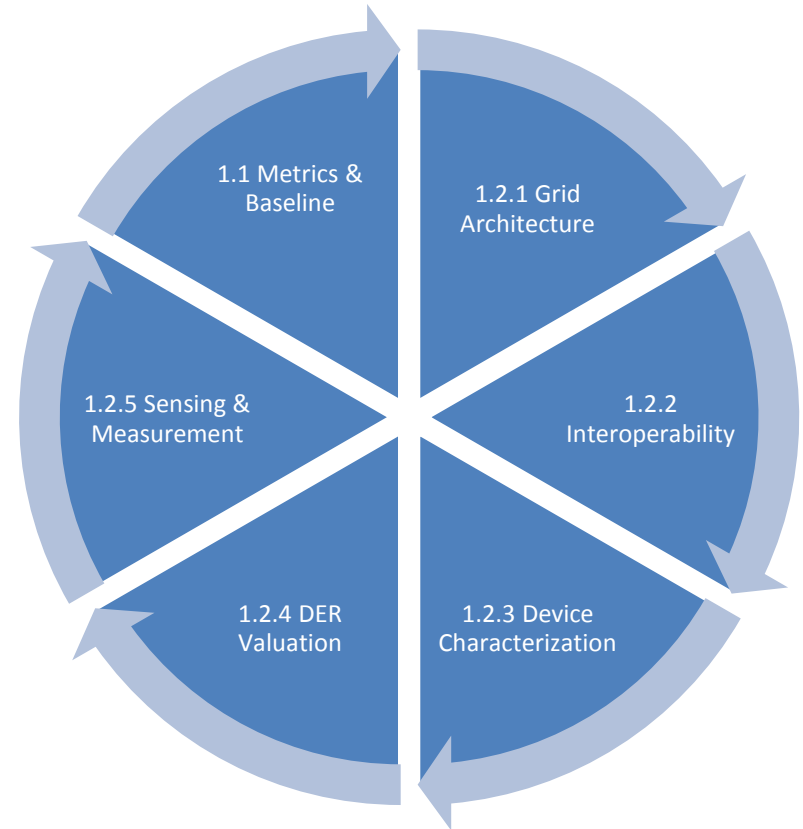
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# Foundational and Core R&D

Three-Year Foundational Research projects provide the fundamental knowledge, metrics, and tools needed to support all the Cross-Cut R&D and regional partnerships.

- **Future grid and industry design elements to guide consideration of new industry paradigms**
- **Standards and protocols for interoperability and testing**
- **Integrated testing network that spans the National Labs, industry and academia**
- **A strategy for observing and monitoring the future grid system in a way that meets expectations for predictive control, real-time operations and security**



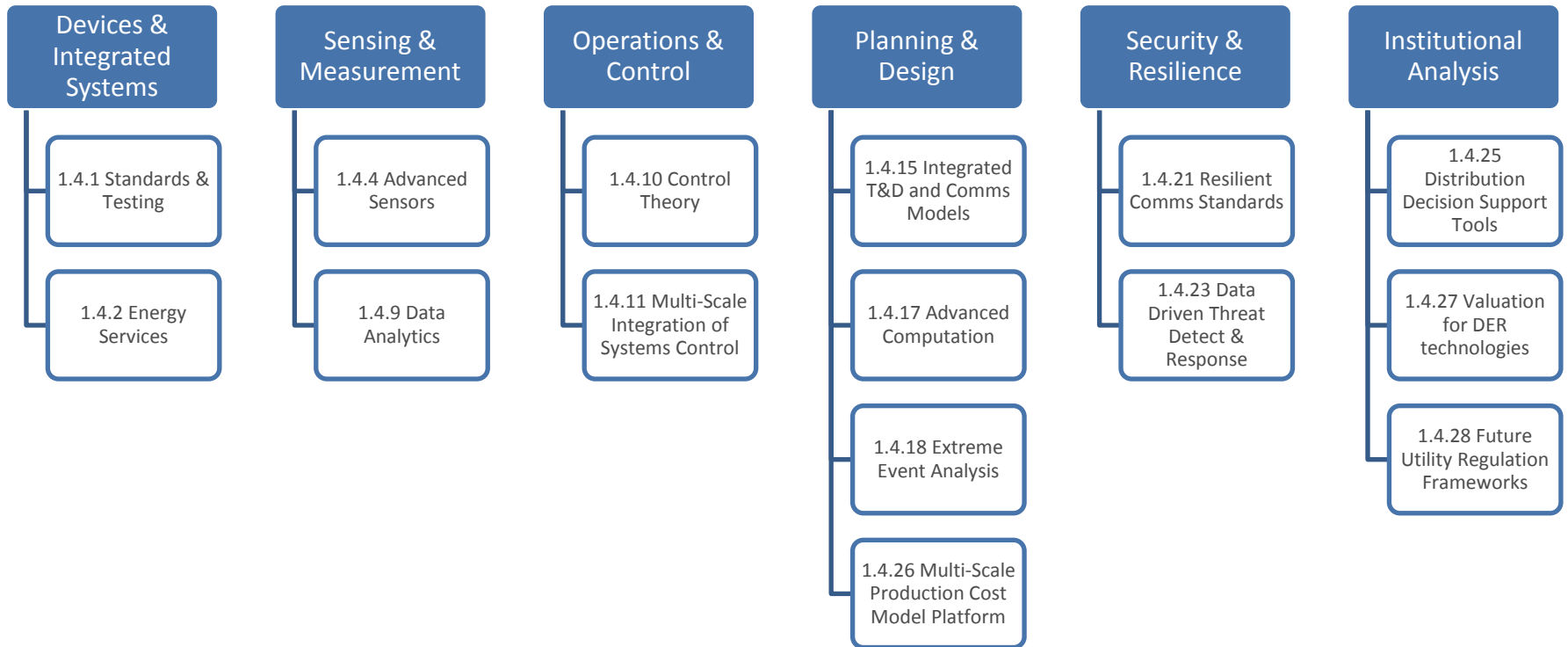


# Grid Modernization Lab Call: Proposed Pioneer Partnerships





# Crosscutting R&D





# DOE Targets—Demos

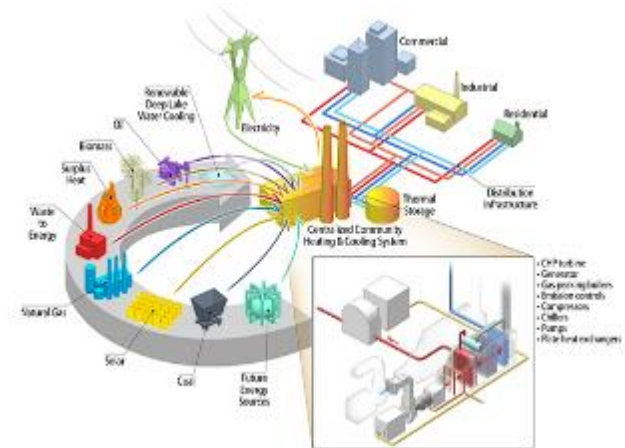
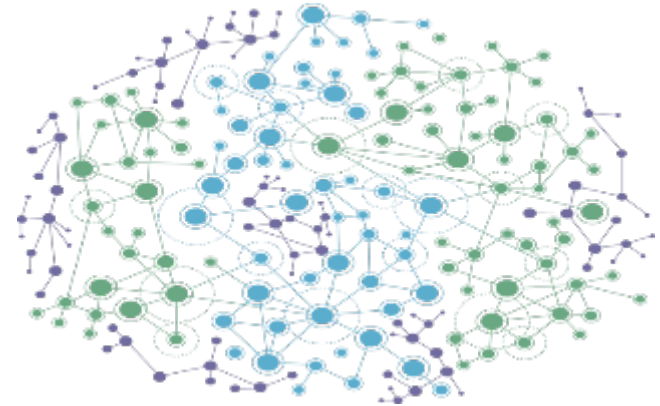
- **#1 – Lean Bulk Power Systems**
  - **Reliable:** Maintain reliable operations with a 10% transmission reserve margin or lower
  - **Affordable:** New operations capability for grid operators to safely run system closer to “edge” for increased asset utilization and to leverage distribution-level grid services will require less generation reserve
  - **Secure:** Incorporate advanced physical and cyber security measures for the integration of large numbers of devices.
  - **Clean:** Real-time tools enhance wind resources with higher transmission asset utilization and management of system dynamics. Leverage of demand reduces emission from standby generation.
  - **Resilient:** Reduce outages by order of magnitude with improved prediction, detection, and distributed controls





# DOE Targets (continued)

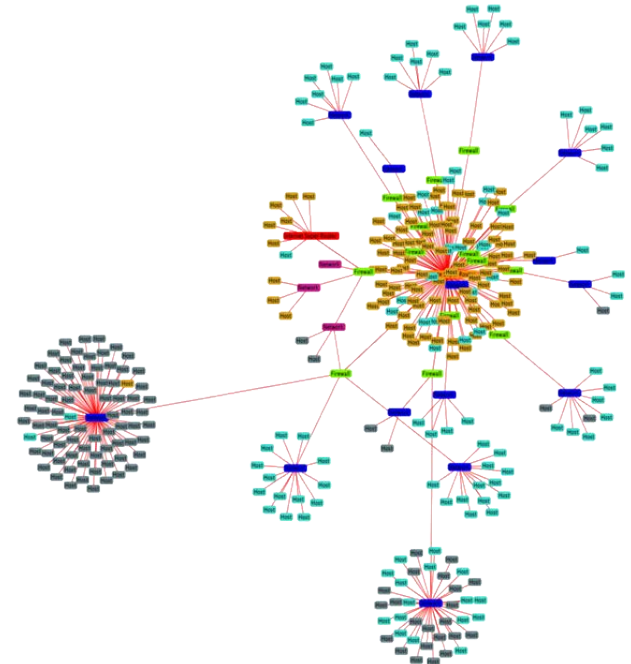
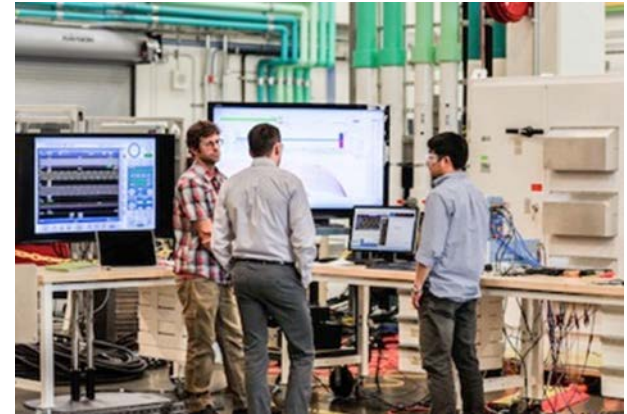
- #2 – **Clean Distribution Systems**
  - **Reliable & Resilient:** Coordinated microgrids control for resilience (e.g., 20% fewer outages, 50% shorter recovery time)
  - **Affordable:** Distributed, hierarchical control for clean energy and new customer-level innovation for asset utilization
  - **Secure:** Cyber resilient design of responsive loads and controls. Automation for outage detection and topology awareness for state estimation.
  - **Clean:** Demonstrate reliable and affordable feeder operations with greater than 50% DER penetration. Engage interactive efficiency concepts in buildings.





# DOE Targets (continued)

- **#3 – Grid Planning and Analytics**
  - **Reliable & Resilient:** Use coupled T&D grid planning models with 1000x speed-up to address specific grid issues
  - **Affordable:** Work with States to more rapidly evaluate new business models, impacts of policy decisions
  - **Secure:** Ensure high-level cybersecurity for all data-driven and operational models
  - **Clean:** Develop with stakeholders new data-driven approaches to DER valuation and market design







# Key Take-Aways

- **A major multi-year integrated effort**
- **NASPI efforts critical foundation for success**
- **FY15 funding \$190M, FY16 request \$342M**
  
- **Request to NASPI**
  - **Comments on the MYPP**
  - **Feedback on the FY16 Lab Call activities**
  - **Topics, timing, applicability?**
  - **Participation in Technical workshops**
    - **Next one ....probably January**