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Control Room Solutions Task Team (CRSTT)



*open***WAMS**: Operations PMU Applications at ONS

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Topics

- 1) Overview of the openWAMS project
- 2) Examples of Control-Room Dashboards
- 3) RT Applications Foundation development

About ONS www.ons.org.br



We are the National Electric System Operator - ONS (Brazilian ISO)

The mission of ONS is to ensure the supply of electricity in the country, with quality and a balance between safety and the overall cost of operation.

The ONS is a private law legal entity, non-profit, under government's regulation and supervision. ONS does not own any generation, transmission, or distribution assets. The centralized management of the system operation guarantees operational security at the lowest possible cost.

PMU infrastructure is owned and maintained by the TSOs guided by ONS standards.



What is openWAMS?

OVERVIEW

openWAMS is an open-based platform designed by ONS for realtime monitoring and disturbance analysis based on synchrophasors (PMU) measurements:

- Empowers decision-making for control room operators and ONS engineers.
- Provides detailed analysis for the engineering team
- Custom-built solution tailored to ONS's needs at reduced costs
- Supports integration with existing systems to ensure grid stability and development of new applications

AVAILABLE APPLICATIONS

Control-Room/Real-Time:

- Geo-Localized Navigation
- Real-Time & Historical Trend Graphs
- Short-Circuit Visualisation
- Electric Island Synchronization
- PMU Data Quality Reporting
- Wallboard Support Panels

Off-line Analysis (stand-alone application)

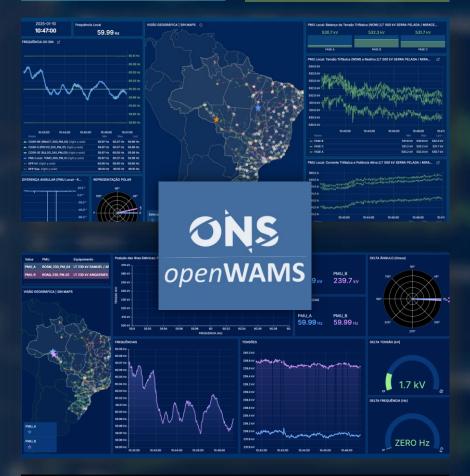
- Historian Trending
- openPLOT (in development)

PLANNED APPLICATIONS 2025/2027 (BACKLOG)

- Oscillatory Stability Detection and Tracking
- Disturbance Detection and Characterization
- Fast Islanding Clusters Detection
- Events Notification System

Control-Room

Engineering Analysis



SCADA x WAMS Feat.	SCADA	Phasor Measurement
Resolution	Low	60-120x Higher
Real-Time Detection	Limited	Immediate Disturbance Alerts
Post-Event Analysis	Minimal	In-depth Investigations
Integration Capabilit.	Restricted	Smart Grids & Renewables

Synchrophasors at ONS

Studies Phase 2005-2010

2005

the

Technical

studies of

technology

2009

PMU vendor's certificatio n process Tendering Phase 2011-2017

2012Telecom technical especific ation

2015
Bidding
Process
Analysis from
ONS Team

CC-PMS (GE) 2018-2024

2019Production operation of the CC-PMS

openWAMS (GPA) 2024-...

2024/may openWAMS (Phase One) enters in production

2006/2008

Technical specification for the future production system

2011

MME/BIRD Funding Research 2013

PDC Infra Technical Specification 2017

GE Grid Solutions Bidding Process Winner 2023 /out

Management decision opting in a alternative solution based on open-source platform.

2025

New site (Brasília) in production

2025

Definitive hardware arrival en installation

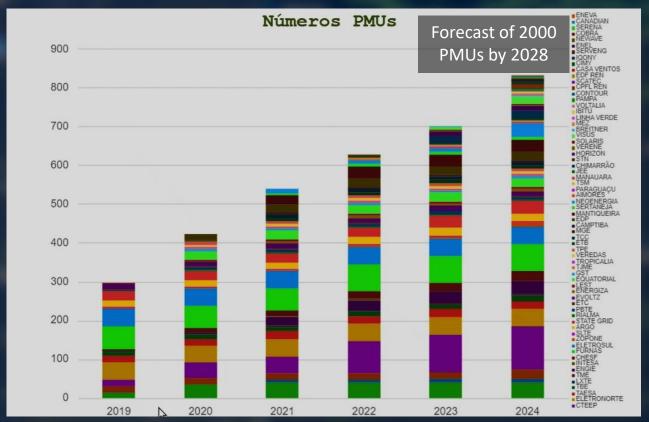
2025/2026: Advanced applications, alarms and more

Our PMU Network Scale

3 phase Voltage and Current Phasors60 frames per second

+ Harmonics (analogs) for selected PMUs

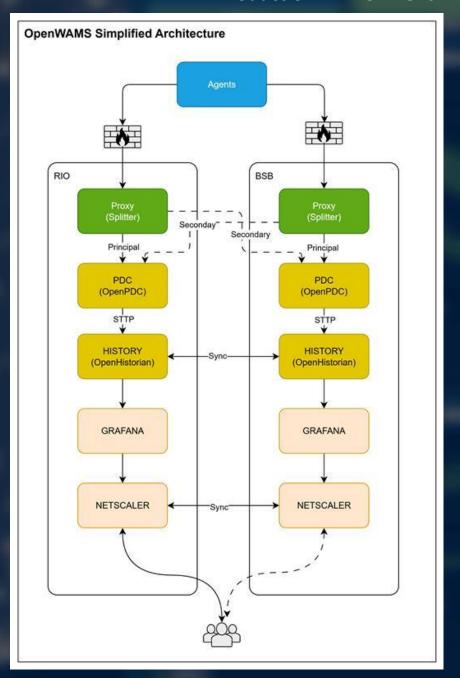




Architecture Overview

- Redundant critical production systems:
 - OP-RIO (Rio de Janeiro)
 - OP-BSB (Brasília): PROD
- Scalability: Up to 1500 PMUs @ 60 FPS, 3-phase V/I
- Comprehensive Support Environments:
 - DEV: Development environment
 - SIM: Simulation environment for system validation and training (Future)
 - LAB: For testing, exploratory learning, and Grafana editor training
- **Grafana visualization UI**: comprehensive dahsboards portfolio for control room, post-operation activities, and system maintenance.
- Advanced applications Real-time, Analyst and maintenance applications.

Production Environment



openWAMS: Advanced User Interface

GRAFANA DASHBOARDS



Grafana enables modern, flexible and highly customizable platform for dashboard creation. Real-Time/Historic combined.

openWAMS uses an independent Grafana server enabling more flexible and customized deployment. GPA openHistorian connected via openHistorian Data Source plugin.

Grafana community provides several plugins for advanced panels creation, enabling continuous UX enhancement.

ONS' users provided excellent feedback (friendly navigation, easy to access data and modern design).

CUSTOM MADE DASHBOARDS

End-User (Control-Room & Engineering):

- Geographical/Navigation View
- Real-Time/Historic Trending
- Short-Circuit Analysis
- Islanding and Resynchronisation
- Energy Quality/ Harmonics Monitoring

Governance Team responsible for quality and creation

Administration & Maintenance:

- PMU Data Quality Report
- System Health Status
- Users Monitoring
- Dashboard Usage Monitoring
- PMU Configuration View

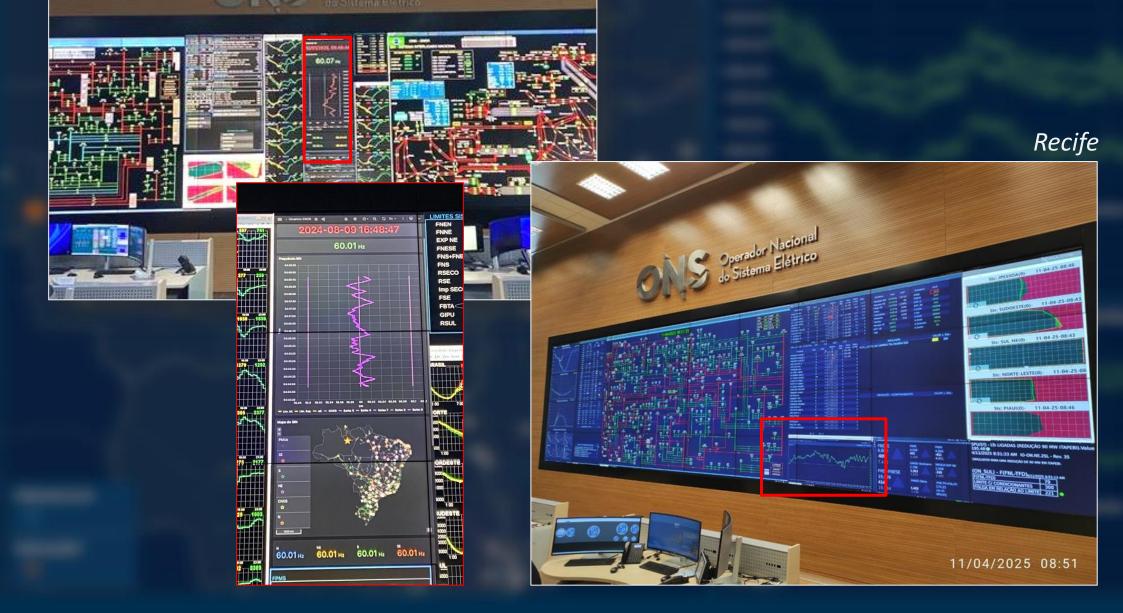




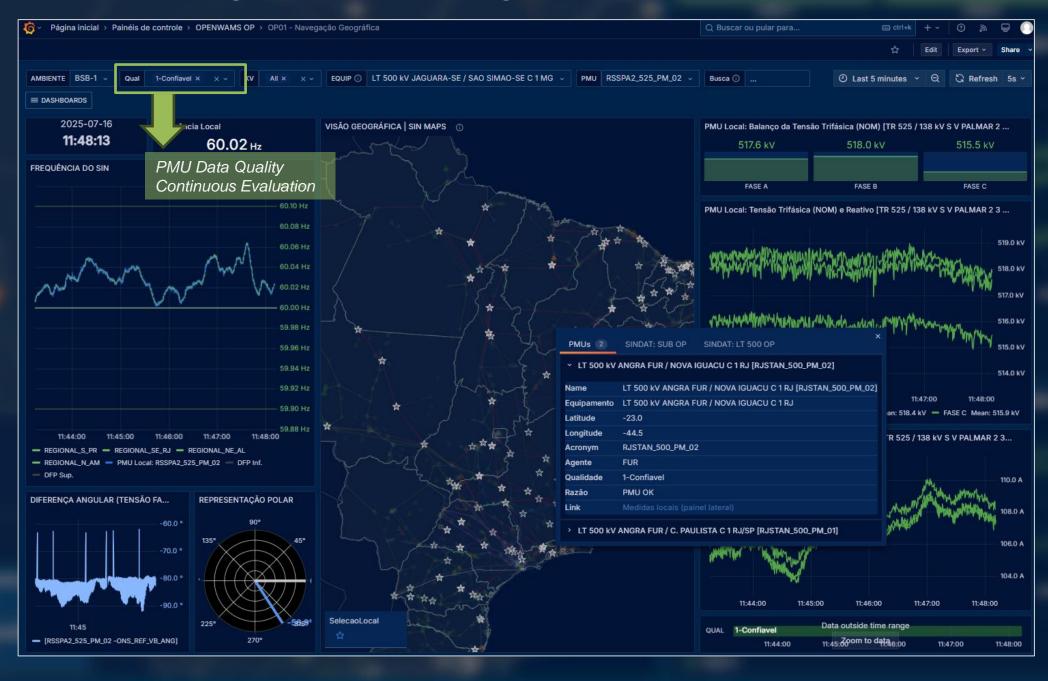


Wallboard Dashboards: Control-Rooms

Brasília

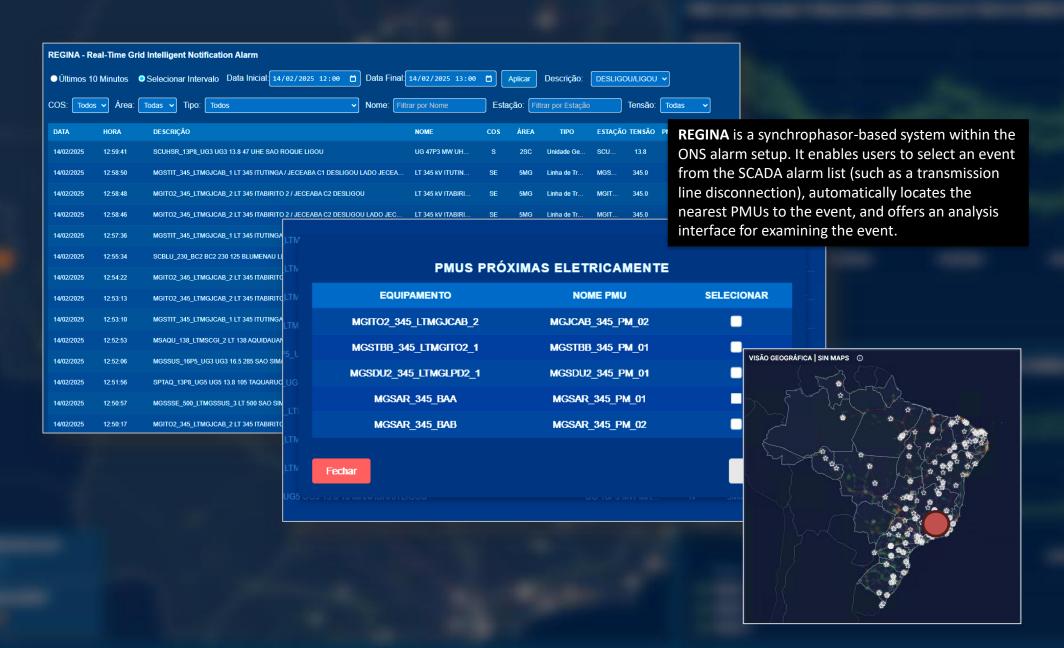


OP1 - Geographical Navigation

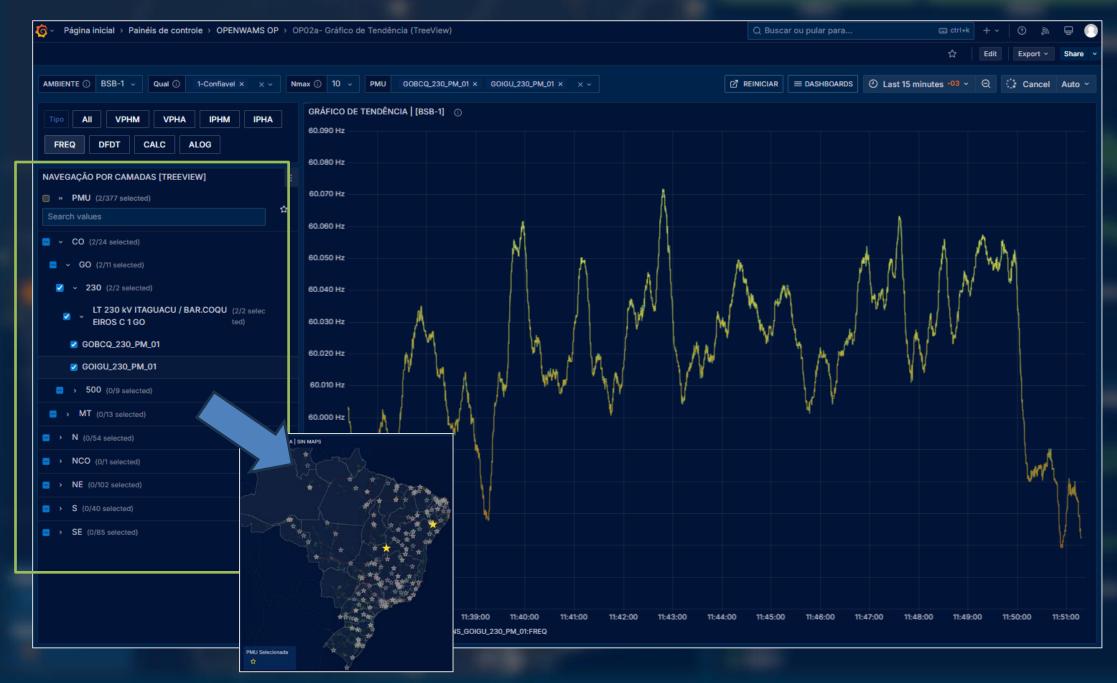


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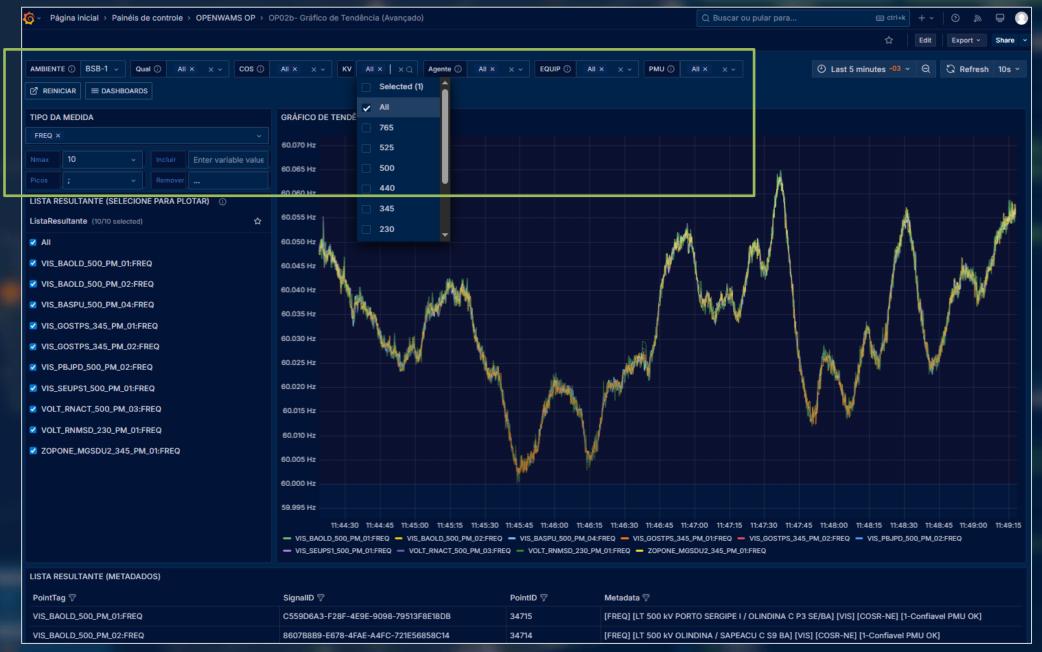
Real-Time Grid Inteligent Notification Alarm



OP2a - Trending (Tree View)



OP2b - Trending (Advanced Filters)



OP4 - Islanding Resynchronization



Foundation for Real-Time Applications

Innovation / Prototype / Easy-to-Deploy

OPEN PLATFORM ARCHITECTURE

- Facilitates easy deployment of new real-time control room applications
- Built on the STTP protocol for seamless real-time data streaming

DATA INTEGRATION & DISTRIBUTION

- Retrieves real-time streams from the main historian system
- Distributes data across independent application modules via a common data bus

ORCHESTRATION & ANALYTICS

The orchestrator:

- Converts STTP streams into discrete data packages and provide the metadata
- Performs basic analytics and injects results into the data bus

Actionable Business Insights

- Applications generate real-time analytics for improved situational awareness.
- Results are stored in a relational database for:
 - (i) Visualization in Grafana
 - (ii) Triggering of alarms for proactive decision-making

Grafana UI +Alerting

Grafana Alerting responsible to send notification to the users (email, Teams etc)

MS SQL database

Results are stored in the database for UI dashboards presentation

RT APP 1

RT APP 2

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RT APP n

Real-time applications independent modules. To handle big data processing, the code are built on multi-instances schemes (parallel procesing architecture).

RabbitMQ DATA BUS: Shared Measurements, Metadata and Basic Analytics

STTP Orchestrator

Responsable to connect to openHistorian via STTP and to organize the information in discrete message blocks, dropping them into the data bus. Multi-processing architecture built.

GPA openHistorian

Reliable source of real-time PMU streams (raw measurements).

Can be used for on-demand historic data retreival also (off-line applications)

ONS code to be adapted into openHistorian

Real-Time Disturbance Detection

- **openWAMS DIST:** Automatic detection, localization, and characterization of disturbances in the National Interconnected System (SIN), based on nationwide PMU coverage.
- Method: Uses rapid variations in PMU measurements (current, voltage, and frequency), analyzed by specialized anomaly detection algorithms. Other methods are still under research.
- Architecture: Modular and scalable structure based on a data bus, with the use of parallel processing. We are evaluating the effective development strategy designed at the beginning of the project.
- Testing phase (prototype): Results processed in real time, already being evaluated by selected control room users.
- **Backlog:** oscillation detection, MS Teams alarms, intelligent alarm grouping, epicenter determination, event characterization (severity and fault type).



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