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# USAID SPP Strategies for Advancing the ASEAN Power Grid

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**2<sup>nd</sup> GMS ENERGY TRANSITION TASK FORCE COMMITTEE MEETING**

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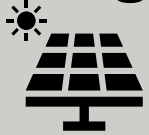
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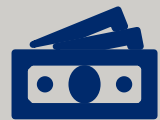
# About the USAID Southeast Asia Smart Power Program

A 5-year program to promote energy trade, support open and transparent energy markets, and accelerate ASEAN's transition to **clean, reliable, and affordable energy**

## Targets



Deploy **2 GW** of Advanced Energy Systems



**\$2 billion** of Advanced Energy Financing



5% Increase in Regional Power Trade

## Strategy

- Expand power trade
- Accelerate renewable energy deployment
- Support regional and subregional clean energy initiatives
- Support utility modernization
- Optimize natural gas use

## Geographic Coverage



A regional program supporting clean energy across ASEAN, especially: **Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Philippines, Vietnam, and Thailand**



# SPP Strategies for Advancing the ASEAN Power Grid

<b>Near-Term (2023-2026)</b>	<b>Long-Term (2026-2030)</b>
Support adoption of leading practices for Multilateral Power Trade (MPT)	3 <sup>rd</sup> Party Financing for Priority interconnector Feasibility Studies
Increase power exchange across under-utilized interconnectors	Capacity building on sub-sea connector issues and technology
Hybridization strategies to “firm” VRE prior to export	Improved coordination of regional and national power development planning

# — NEAR TERM STRATEGIES



# Support Adoption of Leading Practices for MPT

- Cost-based frameworks for calculating wheeling charges
- Tracking the flow and delivery of Renewable Power Production across multiple utility grids

# Role of Wheeling Charges in Power Trade



- Wheeling is required in international power trade to recover costs of using a country's transmission network.
- Without reasonable wheeling cost recovery, countries have little incentive to allow power transit.
- Wheeling charges should be based on economic principles:
  - Promoting efficiency:** Provide appropriate price and incentives for investment
  - Recovering costs:** Cost recovery lowers the risk of investment; historic costs vs. forward looking costs can be used.
  - Ensuring transparency, fairness and predictability:** Confidence in the wheeling charge framework encourages investment, equitable agreements, & new market participants.

# Functional Requirement of a Wheeling Charge: Cost Recovery

## Capital Costs

- Recovering capital costs for transmission and related assets, reflective of the developer's or owners' cost of capital.
- Recovering a reasonable return on any equity investment

## O&M and Refurbishment Costs

- Recovering variable costs including O&M and refurbishment associated with providing the wheeling service
- Inclusive of labor and organizational overhead.
- Typically based on accounting costs

## Network Losses

- Incremental losses associated with the impact of wheeling on the network.
- Calculated through a load flow study.

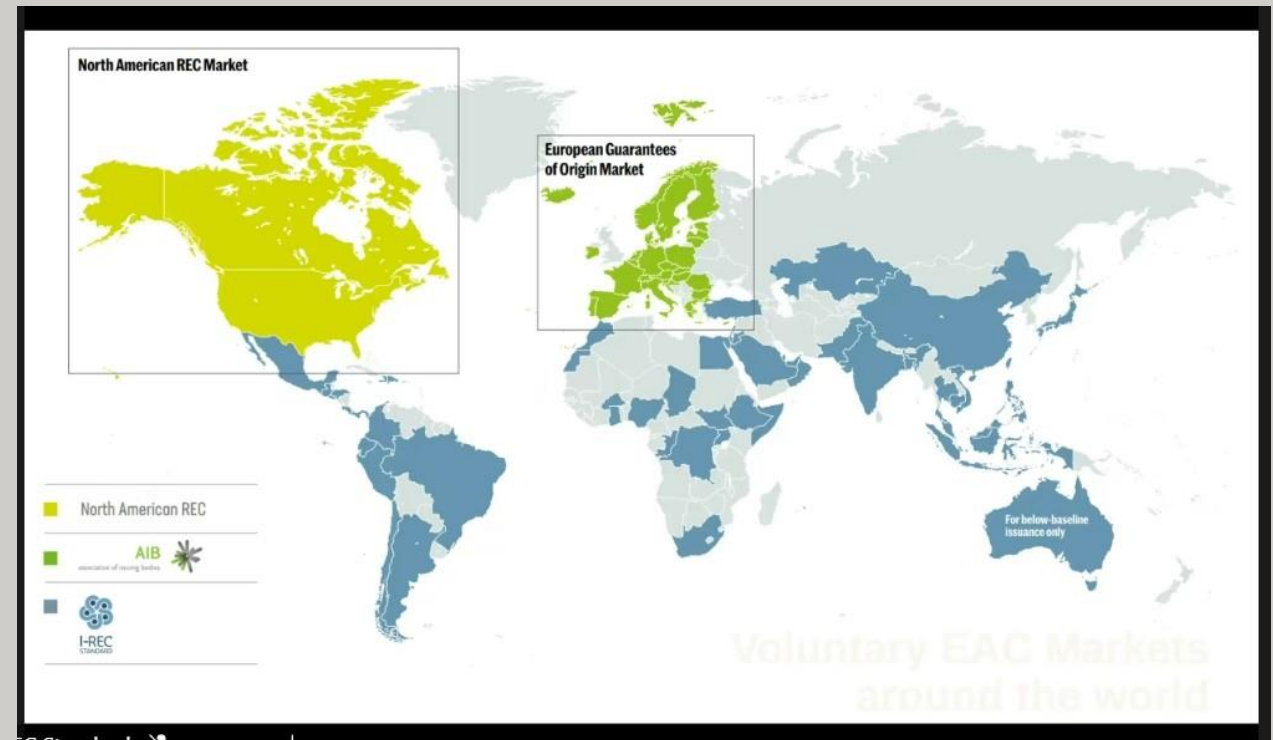
## Congestion

- Congestion on the network incurs costs to reroute delivery of power from producer to consumer
- An uplift or redispatch charge reimburses the transmission owner for these extra costs



# “Tagging” Delivery of Renewable Energy Across Multiple Transmission Grids

- Utilities and consumers purchasing zero-emissions power need attribution that their consumed electricity comes from RE
- Most of today’s attribution frameworks (e.g., i-RECS) are country-specific –except the EU & US/Canada, which have adapted regional attribution mechanisms
- Many AMS have already adopted single-market RECs frameworks, where attribution is relatively simple
- Multi-lateral power trade of RE requires a regional solution to sourcing RE from one market and consuming it in another



# SPP will Support Developing a Regional RECs framework Suitable for ASEAN

- A new regional working group on Renewable Energy Certificates (RECs) is just getting underway
- The working group will address the challenges of “pairing” electricity consumption in one market with RE production in another
- Key issues:
  - Harmonizing Energy Attributes registries to accommodate multi-lateral attribution
  - Creating a tagging system for RE flows over transmission systems
- For further information on this new effort contact: [asiasupport@irecstandard.org](mailto:asiasupport@irecstandard.org)



# Increasing Power Exchange Across Existing Interconnectors

SPP is supporting EGAT to consider Dynamic Line Rating (DLR) to increase Available Transfer Capacity (ATC)

SPP will conduct a case study of DLR potential on an EGAT transmission line

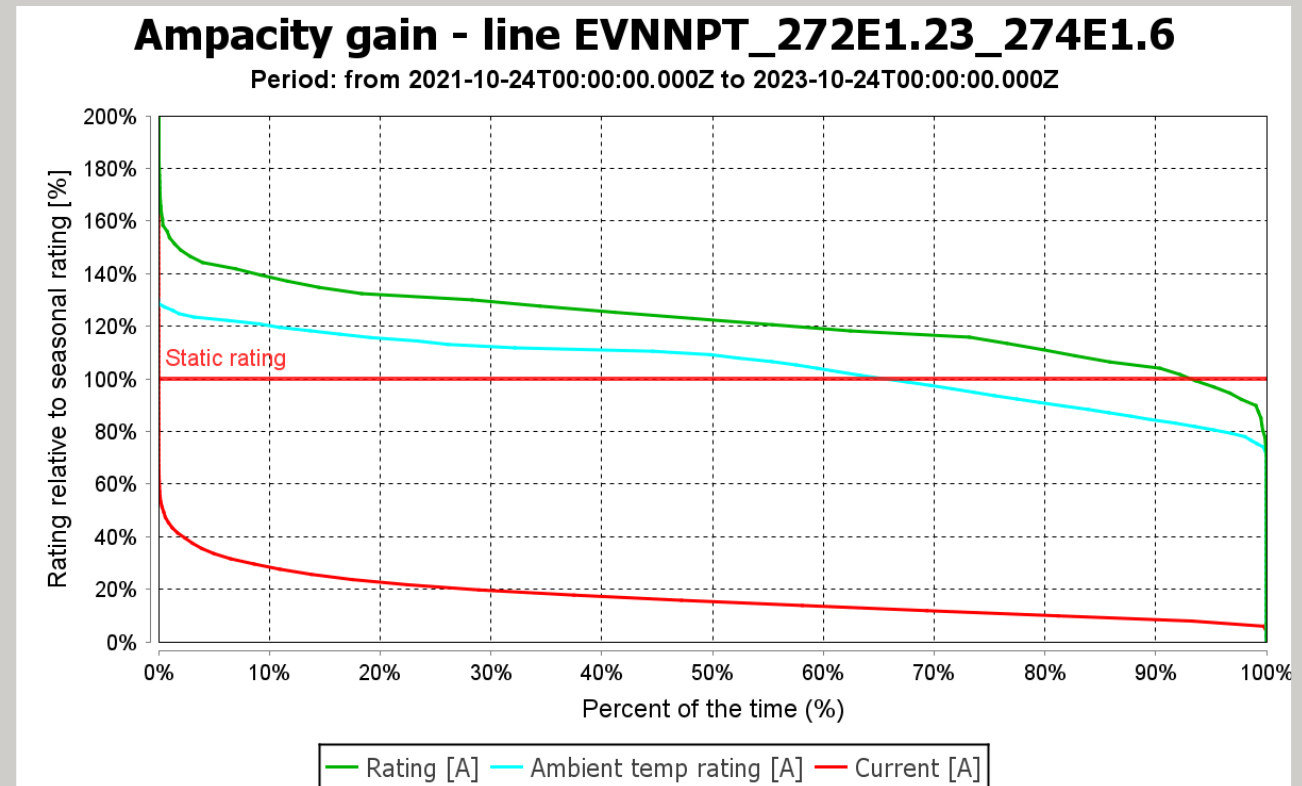
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- Increase power flow on existing lines
- Facilitate supplemental generation (Floating SPV)
- Grid Modernization/Digitalization



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# Mobilizing 3<sup>rd</sup> Party Funding of Greenfield Interconnector FS

- SPP supports ACE and HAPUA to move forward the priority interconnectors recommended by AIMS III
- A \$2 million grant for FS of two priority Indonesia-Malaysia interconnectors was just approved by USTDA
- Of particular interest is a subsea connection Sumatra – Peninsular Malaysia
- SPP will support ACE and HAPUA to mobilize additional 3<sup>rd</sup> party financing for additional interconnector projects
- JICA and other donors have expressed interest in supporting this initiative



# Hybridization strategies to “firm” VRE exports

- Some bilateral power trading partners are reluctant to accept imports of Variable Renewable Energy (VRE), as variability creates new requirements for voltage and frequency balancing across the synchronized systems
- Hybridization strategies – pairing a VRE resource with a supplemental fast-responding generation resources – is a proven solution to “smoothing” or “firming” VRE
- Existing hydro resources + new battery storage can provide the fast-response “firming” resources needed by VRE-exporting countries
- SPP will support modeling, analysis and piloting of hybridization solutions for ASEAN utilities

# LONG TERM STRATEGIES



# Subsea Interconnector Capacity-Building Workshop

<b>Objectives:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Build awareness of technology and issues associated with subsea power transmission lines</li><li>• Build capacity of ASEAN energy entities to evaluate subsea project proposals and develop appropriate subsea connector policies</li><li>• Provide updates on planned and ongoing subsea connector feasibility studies</li></ul>
<b>Potential Workshop Delivery Partners:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• USAID SE Asia Smart Power Program</li><li>• ASEAN Center for Energy</li><li>• USTDA</li><li>• US DOE Net Zero World Program</li><li>• HAPUA APG Working Group</li></ul>
<b>Details</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Two-day workshop May 2024 in Jakarta</li><li>• 50-80 persons from Energy Ministries, Regulatory Agencies and Utilities</li></ul>
<b>Experts to be Mobilized:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• UNCLOS Law of the Sea expert</li><li>• Environmental &amp; Social Impact Assessment in the Subsea Context</li><li>• EU subsea connector project experience</li><li>• Subsea risk assessment</li><li>• Subsea project FS experts</li><li>• Subsea power cabling, HVDC, supply chain &amp; operations experts</li></ul>

# Coordination of Regional & National Power Development Planning

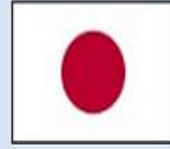
- Regional Interconnector Master Planning under the AIMS III framework the responsibility of ACE, APGC, HAPUA
- National Power Development Planning the responsibility of Ministries and HAPUA utilities
- Identification of power trading – and regional power market - opportunities could be improved through:
  - Sharing of grid models and forecasting/production costing software (such as PLEXOS)
  - Bilateral workshops to identify additional power trading or market development opportunities
- USAID SPP and USAID LES are ready to support workshops between power trading partners to identify additional power trading and other opportunities, such as hybridization



# JUMPP UPDATE



# JUMPP



## USAID Smart Power Program JUMPP Delivery Through FY24

- SPP will continue supporting Lao PDR's MEM and EdL, as part of JUMPP's bilateral technical cooperation
- SPP will implement activities in support of RE auctions by Mekong utilities, delivered through its Competitive Procurement Center
- SPP will continue supporting Interconnector Project Feasibility Studies, in cooperation with ASEAN Center for Energy (ACE) and Mekong utilities
- SPP will support updating the AIMS III Interconnector Master Plan, in cooperation with ACE and Mekong utilities
- SPP will implement Utility Strengthening Partnerships, including:
  - EV deployment and grid impact management
  - Rooftop solar management
  - Identifying opportunities for enhanced bilateral and multilateral power trade

# Thank you!

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# SPP Activities in Support of the ASEAN Power Grid

## 2. Dynamic Line Rating – Capacity Building/Case Study

- SPP is supporting EGAT to consider Dynamic Line Rating as a tool for real-time adjustments of power flow
- SPP will conduct a case study of DLR potential on an EGAT transmission line

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