

Terna's strategy to increase resilience of Italian Transimission Network

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Evolution of climate risk



The traditional frequentist methods of risk assessment related to severe weather events, mainly based on historical statistical information of outages, might result in losing adequacy and accuracy because of the increase in severity and frequency of weather events due to climate changes



In the latest years in Italy it has been observed a significant increase in terms of frequency of occurrence of catastrophic meteorological events



Terna with RSE* defined a new methodology to assess the resilience of the Italian Transmission Grid based on 3 key-pillars

— Prospective climate hazard ~



Prospective climatological models used to determine the probability of occurrence of severe weather events





Vulnerability assessment (failure probability), obtained adopting an engineering approach based on technical standards Contingencies analysis

A contingency analysis approach quantifying substations' outage Return Periods (RP) and EENS, simulating weather-induced multiple contingencies (N-k)

Terna received **positive opinion**, **issued** by **Italian Regulatory Authority** with deliberation 9/2022/R/eel, and it has applied to **identify** the critical **areas** due to **wet snow** and **strong wind**







The Resilience Plan represents a transversal plan that includes all the initiatives that Terna will launch in the next five years. Thanks to the application of the Resilience Methodology and the evidence obtained, Terna has identified different types of interventions



The 3rd edition of Resilience Plan will be updated in May 2023



Preventive measures





The infrastructural solution as preventive measure

Different solutions are foreseen:

- overhead lines rebuilding: improve the mechanical characteristics to better resist against extreme conditions;
- overhead lines conversion into underground cables: immunization of the grid
- new lines building: Increase the grid redundancy trought meshing of the transmission grid



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Rappresented only the principal intervention identified for snow sleves and wind gusts.

MITIGATION

Anti-tortional devices avoid the rotation that increasing the conductor torsional stiffness



New "Icephobic" paint use of new conductors with hydrophobic paint reduce the risk of wet-ice sleeve formation

Interphase spacer devices: avoid the contact between phases





New emergency plan fast recovery devices, such as mobile generators, the operation (power supply) in loading islands



Advanced operational equipment

- reinforcing the vehicle fleet
- reinforcing satellite phone
- Expanded use of helicopters for inspections, workers transportation



MONITORING

Remote monitoring New technologies such as satellite or Wireless Sensor Network.



Monitoring tools

Forecast and alert systems able to foresee severe conditions in grid operations and to suggest possible real-

time solutions





Terna commitment for grid resilience

Increase the resilience of Italian Transmission network, **analyzing additonal network area having the scope to increase basket of intervention** identified with Resilience Methodology.

Extend the Methodology in order to include/model further extreme metheorological phenomena

Focus on research in order to identify innovative technical solutions able to increase the reselience of transmission network

Continue collaboration with research center and universities finalized to the extension and evolution of probalistic model about complex natural phenonena



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