CROM

Center for Research on Microgrids

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Aalborg University

Aalborg University was created with the establishment of a number of new faculties in 1974. Aalborg University is characterised by its education form of Problem Based Learn (PBL) - also known as the *Aalborg model*.

The number of students is around 20,000.





Aalborg University

- At Times Higher Education Aalborg University is ranked as **no.** 18 in the Top 100 under the age of 50. In the THE Impact Ranking Aalborg University is ranked **no.** 23, and is ranked as the world best university in SDG 4: Quality Education.
- According to US News World Ranking, Aalborg University ranks as no. 4 in the world, and best in Europe, within the field of Engineering.
- According to Shanghai/ARWU World Rank, Aalborg University is no. 7 in the world within the field of Electronic and Electrical Engineering.
- According to the 2018 MIT <u>report</u>, Aalborg University is considered to have the best engineering programme in Europe – a programme that takes fourth place in the world!





- Around 200 researchers
- 5 IEEE fellows and 3 Villum Investigators
- Approximately 100 PhD students
- Approximately 50% of the turnover comes from external projects
- 129 Researchers from AAU were ranked in the top 2% of scientists in the world according to the Stanford University's list. 36 of the 129 researchers are with AAU Energy



CROM WHO WE ARE

CROM is a European leading research center, affiliated to the AAU Energy Department at Aalborg University. CROM provides **Sustainable, Cost-effective, Resilient and Scalable Electrification solutions:**

- Sustainable development on multi-disciplinary energy frameworks.
- **Resilient** and electrification solutions for rural communities and islands
- **IoT-based** Energy Solutions for residential households and buildings







Our Team Members: The CROMers



2 Center Directors
4 Associate Professors
3 Assistant Professors
7 Postdoc Researchers
1 Research Assistant

- +20 Visiting scholars
- **5** Ongoing PHD Students
- **10** MSC Students

OUR FOCUS AREAS

- Low and medium voltage AC and DC microgrids
- Microgrids in emergent countries and communities
- Electrification of rural areas
- Maritime microgrids for shipboards and seaports
- Protection and communication systems for microgrid clusters
- Bio-inspired microgrids
- Advanced metering infrastructures
- Smart homes (automation, energy optimization, and security)
- Energy trading applications
- Energy management systems and SCADA systems
- Hybrid energy storage solutions for islanded grids





Research and Industrial Projects

Ongoing Research Projects

- National Energy System Transition Facilities NEST
 Danish National Council on Research Infrastructure, NUFI Period: 2024 2028
- Large-Scale Integration of Wind Power Generation in Ethiopia LastWind
 Danida Fellowship Centre Period: 2023 2026
- Hybrid ElectriC regional Aircraft distribution TEchnologies HECATE
 Clean Aviation Period: 2023 2026
- <u>Center for Research on Microgrids CROM</u>
 The Velux Foundations Period: 2019-2025



Research and Industrial Projects

Completed Research Projects

- Renewable Energy based Minigrid Clusters in Ethiopia REMCE
 Danida Fellowship Centre Period: 2021 2024
- Microgrid Technologies for Remote Indonesian Islands TECH-IN
 Danida Fellowship Centre Period: 2021 2024
- Offshore Wind Farms Large-Scale Integration in Turkey WindFlag
 Danida Fellowship Centre Period: 2020 2023
- DC Voltage Railways Catenary DC VOLTA
 Industrial Project Salicru S.A Period: 2021 2022
- Synchronization of Parallel Single-Phase Inverters with Power Sharing Control -Synchrony Industrial Project - Sonnen inc - Period: 2020 - 2022
- Holistic and Scalable Solution for Research and Education targeting Energy
 Transition ASSET
 H2020 -LC-SC3-CC5-2018 Period: 2018-2020
- Renewable Energy Converters Connected in Parallel REConnect Industrial Project – REConvert - Period: 2020
- Center for Data-Intensive Cyber-Physical Systems DiCyPS
 InnovationFonden, Research Centre Period: 2016-2021
- Distributed Converter and Microgrid Advanced Control Algorithms
 Industrial Project Huawei Technologies Period: 2018-2020
- Open Virtual Neighbourhood Network to Connect IoT Infrastructures VICINITY H2020-ICT-2015 - Period: 2016-2019
- The Energy Internet Integrating Internet of Things into the Smart Grid
 AAU Strategi Talent Management Programme Period: 2017-2019
- DCNextEve- LVDC Microgrids for Evolved Energy Communities
 H2020-MSCA-IE-IF Individual Intra-European Fellowship





Research and Industrial Projects

Completed Research Projects

- DCNextEve- LVDC Microgrids for Evolved Energy Communities H2020-MSCA-IE-IF - Individual Intra-European Fellowship
- Off-shore Application of the Flywheel Energy Storage System EFFICIENSEA
 InnovationsFonden and Danske Maritime Fond Period: 2014-2018
- Intelligent DC Microgrid Living Lab
 DSF SinoDanish Period: 2014 2018
- UPS SLC-TROY Project
 Industrial Project Period: 2015 2017
- Microgrid Technology Research and Demonstration
 EUDP SinoDanish Period: 2014 2017
- Flexible Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure Flex ChEV
 SmartGrids ERA-Net (3rd SmartGrids ERA-Net Joint Call. Period: 2014 2016
- Future Residential LVDC Power Distribution Architectures
 Danish Agency for Science Technology and Innovation DFF Starting Grant Period: 2014 - 2016
- Active filter functionalities for power converters in wind power plants
 Period: 2014-2016
- Control and Management of Multi-Microgrid Clusters in Taiwan
 Institute of Nuclear Energy Research INER, Atomic Energy Council, Taiwan. Period:
 2013
- Microgrid Technology Research Based on Wind/PV/Storage Hybrid System -HyMG

Sino-Danish renewable Energy Development Programme (RED) Period: 2013



CRÓDIN Laboratory Facilities

Microgrids Laboratory



Maritime and MG-HIL Laboratory





IoT Microgrid Demonstration Laboratory

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The Residential Microgrid Demonstration Laboratory (IoT-MG)

Control Room Service Config Layout

22.6 °C Smoke Alarm 23.6 °C Washing Dryer Dishu 0W 0W 0 idge WiFi Oven 59 W 0 W Lamp 55 W Air Quality 28.5 % 23.4 °C 281 ppr 25.4 °C DCH DCL AC Door Sensor 19.6 °C Workstation 0 W FC: Fuel Cell WT: Wind Tu SM: Smart Me DCH: DC 400 DCL: DC 48 V AC: AC 230 V



National Energy System Transition Facilities – NEST Microgrids and P2X

National Energy System Transition Facilities – NEST NUFI - Period: 2024 – 2030

