The Microgrid Symposium Tradition

Finland 2026 Symposium on Microgrids

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INTERNATIONAL Microgrid SYMPOSIUMS

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Berkeley to Lappeenranta

- **Since 2005**, the international microgrid symposium has been brining together world experts from academia, industry and policy together under one roof. It all started in Berkeley CA, U.S.A.
- And from Berkeley it went to….
- …Montreal 2006, Nagoya 2007, Kythnos Island 2008, San Diego 2009, Vancouver 2010, Jeju Island 2011, Evora 2012, Santiago 2013, Tianjin 2014, Aalborg 2015, Niagara 2016, Newcastle 2017, Bucharest 2018, Fort Collins 2019, Singapore 2022, Genk 2023, Puerto Rico 2024, Shenzhen – Macao 2025
- We stopped for Covid, went online with a series of webinars but since 2022 we are back!
- **The Finland 2026 Symposium on Microgrids would be the 20th!**
- The idea hatched at the 1st International Conference on Integration of Renewable and Distributed Energy Resources (IRED), Brussels, December 2004
- A decade of funding provided by U.S. Department of Energy

Symposium Organisation

- Informal origins shape the approach
- No central organization, emphasis on local character
- Local organizing committees retool and revitalize every year
- Not usually any registration fee, sponsorship collected locally and from sponsors
- The location rotates around 3 regions, Asia & Oceania, Europe & Africa and the Americas
- Symposiums by-invitation-only, informal (only ppts., no papers), include researchers, program managers, policymakers and private sector
- Speakers chosen by regional Steering Committee members
- Posters chosen by Publications Committee
- Many members started as a symposium attendee! Please do reach out if you would like to be involved ☺

International Microgrid Symposium Steering Committee (ISC)

- [International Microgrid Symposium - Home (microgrid-symposiums.org)]
- A special thanks goes to the local organising committee and Dr Radu Plamanescu
- A special commendation goes to Dr Chris Marnay
- Many thanks to our sponsors ABB, Typhoon HIL, OPAL-RT, LUT EMRC and to LUT for hosting us.

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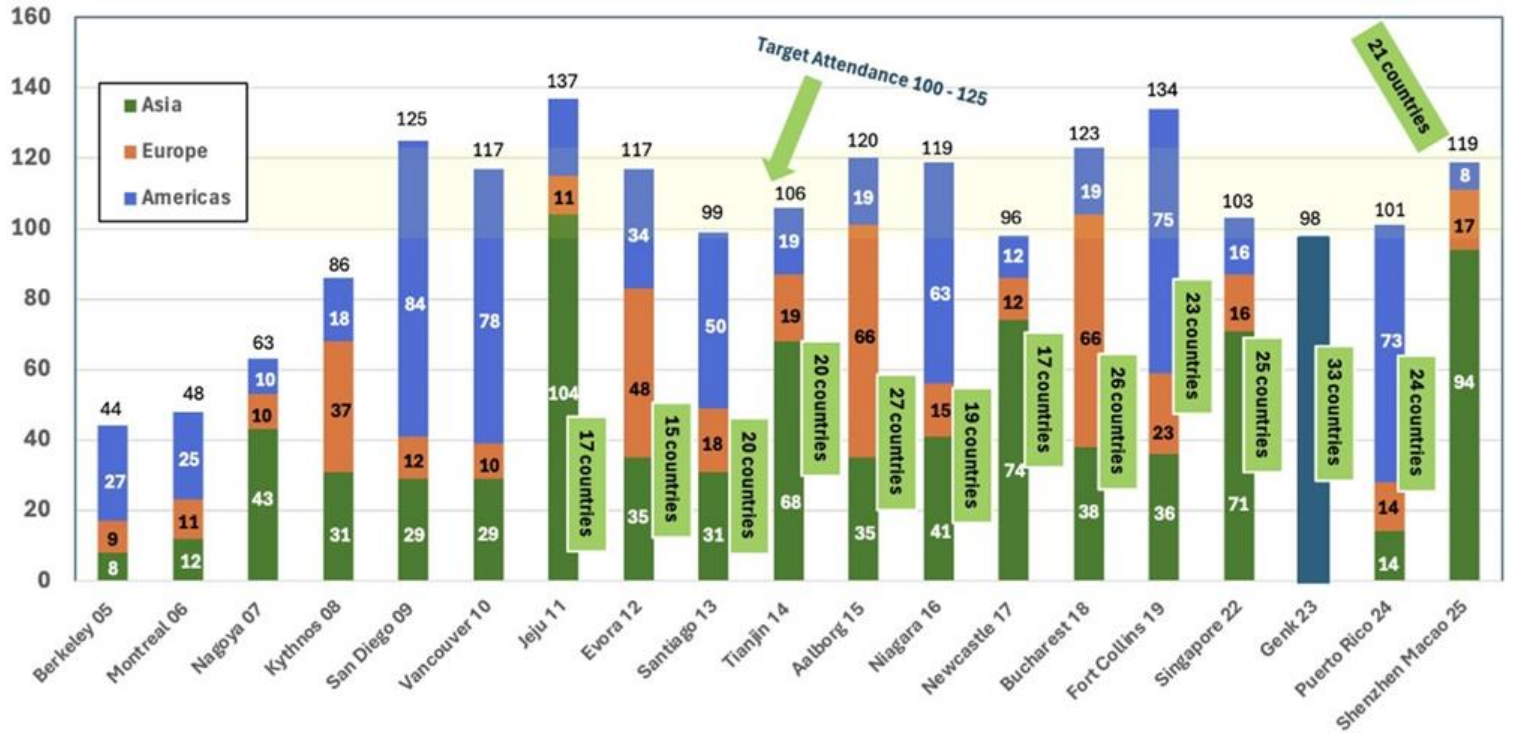
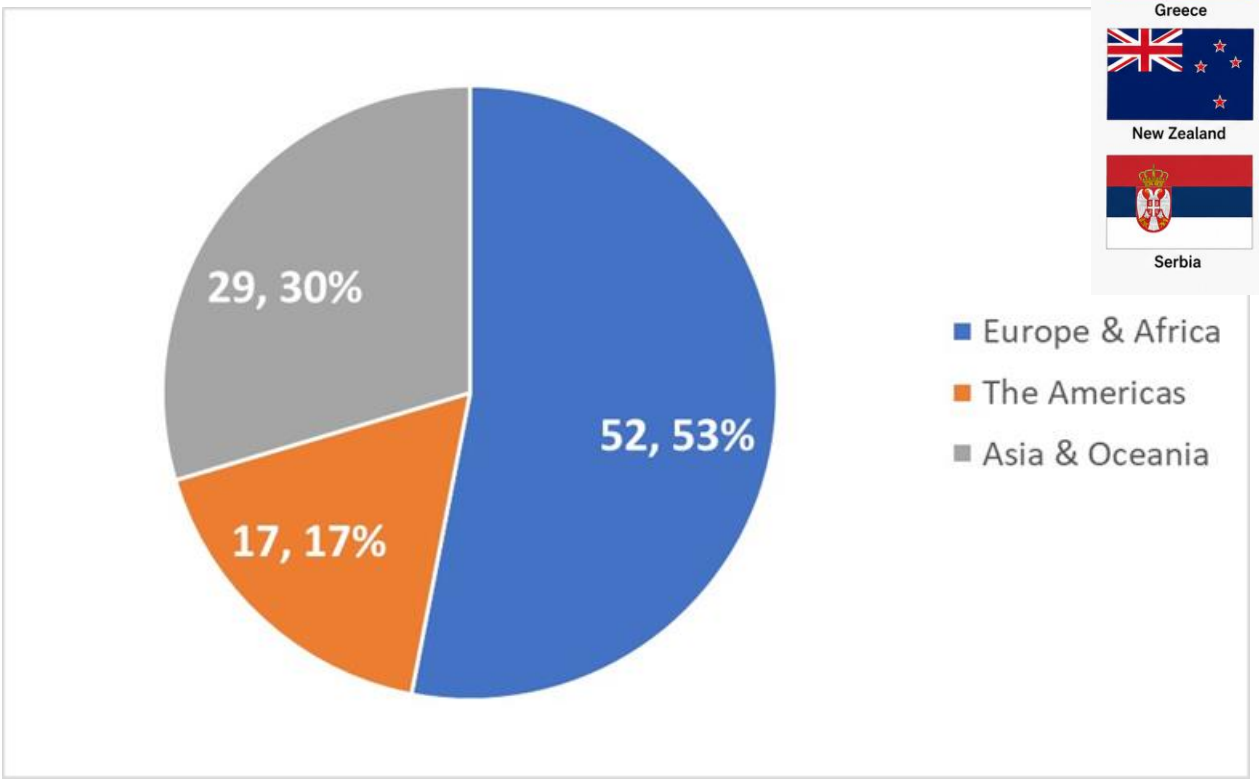
Past Attendance



Finland 2026 Attendance

- 99 attendees
- 26 Countries





Symposium Rules

- Wear casual clothing at all times…whatever makes you feel good
- Have fun and make the most of this opportunity
- Appreciate and reward the hard work of the Steering and Local Organizing Committees by creating a productive, memorable, and enjoyable event
- Listen to announcements and if you have a question ask ☺

歡迎. !!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ようこそ！
Välkomna!
Καλως HPΘATE!
Vlkommen
Bienvenidos
Tervetuloa!
Benvinguda
Welkom
Willkommen
ยินดีต้อนรับ
स्वागत आहे
Welcome
欢迎
Maligayang pagdating
Benvinguts
Benvenuto
ئىززەت – ئىكرام بىلەن قارشى ئالماق
Bienvenue
ನಿಮಗ್, ಎಲ್ಲರಿಗೂ ಸುಸ್ವಾಗತ
bemvindos
환영!
خوش آمید