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ISGAN Award of Excellence 2020

# ISGAN Award of Excellence Nominations Now Open

## The Awards Opportunity for Global Recognition

**The International Smart Grid Action Network (ISGAN) Award of Excellence and the Global Smart Grid Federation (GSGF) Best Smart Grid Project Award showcase leadership and innovation in smart grid projects around the world and highlight the tremendous value of smarter, more flexible electric grids.**

**ISGAN and GSGF seek projects that exemplify excellence in smart grids for digitalization enabling consumer empowerment to apply to this sixth ISGAN Award of Excellence competition.**

## Theme: Excellence in Smart Grids for Digitalization Enabling Consumer Empowerment

The governments of major smart grid markets have been encouraging the digitalization with smart grid technologies that involve consumer engagement to achieve their renewable energy, energy efficiency, and emission reduction targets. And digital Platforms are is now changing the nature of customer engagement across different domains and services. As digital technologies are increasingly applied to the energy infrastructure, digitalization continues to disrupt customer service delivery, as well as products and services development. Energy consumers are increasingly embracing digital on their own—going digital for customer service and for comparing enabling new options for buying/selling of electricity and grid services. At this year's awards competition, ISGAN will highlight the exemplary projects enabling consumer empowerment by innovative digitalization through smart grid technologies.

## Competition Details

- The official rules of this ISGAN Award of Excellence competition and detailed application guidance can be found on the ISGAN website, **http://www.iea-isgan.org/awards.** The deadline for nominations is 15 November 2019.
- Projects entered into this competition are also eligible to win the complementary GSGF Best Smart Grid Project Award.
- Eligible projects include pilot, demonstration, and deployment projects as well as established programs that demonstrate excellence in employing digitalized smart grid technologies to enable consumers to take more energy control.
- Submissions will be judged by a jury of international experts organized by ISGAN and the GSGF. The jury will select one or more winning projects using three primary criteria (*potential impacts, innovation, consumer benefits & empowerments),* and two secondary criteria (*economic rationale, potential for replication or adaptation*).
- Winners will be contacted in early 2020. They will receive prestigious recognition during an awards ceremony at the Eleventh Clean Energy Ministerial (CEM11) in Chile in May 2020. They will be also recognized in ISGAN and GSGF products and events, affirming them as global exemplars of excellence.

| Nominations Period Opens | Nominations Period Closes | Winners Notified | Awards Ceremony |
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| 1 August 2019 | 15 November 2019 | Feb 2020 | May 2020 (CEM11) |

***About ISGAN:*** *Launched in 2010, the International Smart Grid Action Network is a Clean Energy Ministerial initiative and International Energy Agency Technology Collaboration Programme that brings together 25 countries from five continents and the European Commission to advance the global deployment of smarter, cleaner, more flexible electricity grids.*

***About GSGF:*** *Established in 2010, the Global Smart Grid Federation links leading national and regional smart grid organizations from around the world, each representing a variety of private sector, academic, and other stakeholder interests.*